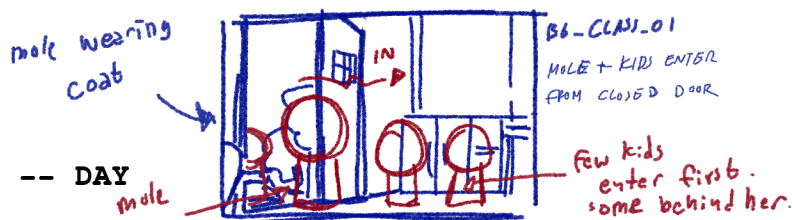


1. INT SCHOOL ROOM -- DAY

We open to Ms. Mole walking into the classroom after recess, wearing a big white fluffy white coat.



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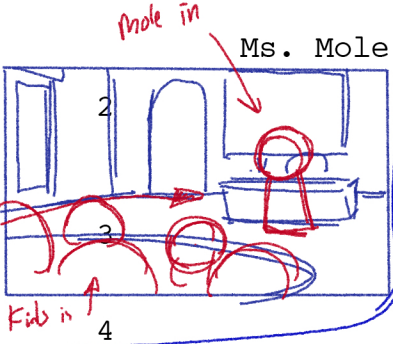
MS. MOLE

Brrrr! It's so cold today! Let's warm up with a nice cup of hot cocoa and a story!



We see a group of kids gather on the carpet around Ms Mole. Elinor is near the front. B6-CLASS-02

Ms. Mole takes out a book from her coat.



ELINOR / OLIVE / ARI
Yay! / I love story time! / Oh yeah!

ON KIDS ALREADY SITTING.

B6-CLASS-03?

ELINOR

What's today's story, Ms. Mole?

KIDS SUPER EXCITED HERE.

MS. MOLE

Today's story is all about staying warm! But our story starts in a very cold place...

BACK ON MOLE HERE

- has book in hand
- on Mole as she wide-eyed and happily scans the kids from L to R.

Ms Mole opens the book, which reveals an icy, polar environment.

2. EXT POLAR -- DAY

X-PISS to full 'animated' pop-up book conversion.

An icy scene, with piles of snow and some water visible.

Page 1 of book

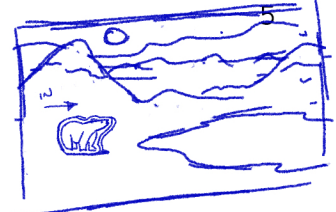
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MS. MOLE

Way up in the north, it's verrrrrry cold, only a few animals can stay warm.

SIMPLE ANIMATION STYLE. BEAR 'SLIDES' IN BUT ONLY TWO DRAWINGS. (KEYS)

We see a polar bear enter.



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MS. MOLE (CONT'D)

The polar bear has a very thick coat of fur to stay warm!

- CUT IN CLOSE ON BEAR
- BEAR STARS UP

The polar bear preens a bit, looks proud of itself.



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CUT BACK TO OLIVE

OLIVE

Hey! One of my friends is a polar bear! When she visits, she doesn't even wear a jacket outside!

REALITY

ARI BEHIND HER INTERESTED IN WHAT OLIVE IS SAYING. FORGETS BACK TO MOLE WHEN OLIVE IS DONE.

TAKES A FEW STEPS THEN...
LOOKING AT SELF
STANDING UP AND SHOWN OFF
COAT

REALITY

C.V. ON MISS MOLE

2.

8 MS. MOLE That's right! 8

We see the polar bear playing in the snow.

- can be doing something fun like building a snowman or juggling.

MS. MOLE (CONT'D)

Polar bears have thick coats of fur on their skin that let them stay warm on the ice.

We see the polar bear jump into the water.

MS. MOLE (CONT'D)

Or even when they swim in the freezing waters!

ELINOR

Ms Mole, why are polar bears always white?

The polar bear floats on its back, relaxing, like it's a sunny day at the pool. It's playing with its polar bear cubs.

MS. MOLE

Good question! Polar bears have white fur so they can hide in the snow! It's CAMOUFLAGE!

The polar bear doesn't react.

MS. MOLE (CONT'D)

I SAID: so they can hide in the snow!

The polar bear scrambles back onto the ice, hides in the snow.

ELINOR

You can hardly see him!

OLIVE/ARI

Oooh!/Wow!

MS. MOLE

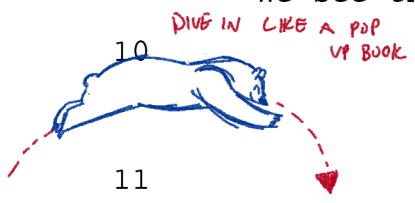
But that's not even the most amazing thing about polar bears!

The polar bear looks interested, pokes his own fur.

MS. MOLE (CONT'D)

Do you know what color a polar bear's skin is underneath all that fur?

CUT BACK TO POP-UP BOOK.
WIDE SETUP



FLIP PAGE

said O.S.



11 resurfaces with glasses + cocktail.

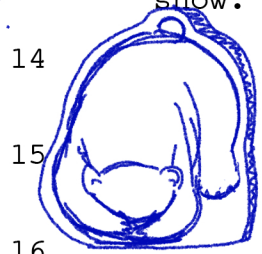
this happens back here

ON SCREEN

SAID O.S.

still on back relaxing in water. Not listening to ms. Mole.

when he gets out he burries his head in the snow.



COVER DARK SPOTS ON FACE

SAID OFF SCREEN

- looks @ camera before he scrambles out.

read off screen.

- takes head out of hiding

- polar bear stands up here, curious. look @ self.



raises arms and looks @ fur.



Ari waving hand in air

REALITY

CUT BACK TO KIDS ON CARPET. From earlier setup.

3.

ARI / ELINOR / OLIVE

Is it white too? / I'm pink under my fur. / My skin is grey!

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MS. MOLE

on MS. MOLE.

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If you look closely, a polar bear's skin is actually black underneath the fur!

BACK TO BOOK

The polar bear looks surprised. He uses a paw to push some hair out of the way, we see his skin is black. He looks surprised and impressed with himself.

Angle on wide of polar bear still looking at fur. Bear reaches for fur.

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MS. MOLE (CONT'D)

The thick white fur keeps them cozy in the snow, and the black skin underneath helps them soak up the warm light from the sun.

PAGE TURN CLOSE ON BEAR FUR

3. INT SCHOOLROOM -- DAY

AFTER FUR CLOSEUP, TURN PAGE BACK TO WIDE. BEAR LETS HIS FUR GO AND PULLS DOWN SHADES ON HIS HEAD. SHOW SUN IN BG

Ms. Mole closes the book. She is now wearing a polar bear hoodie over her head in addition to her furry coat.

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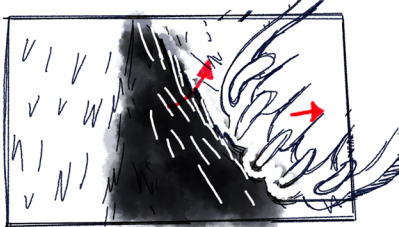
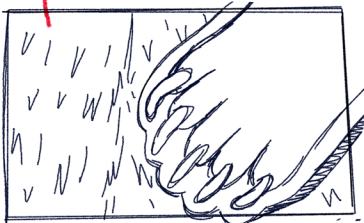
MS. MOLE

It's a good thing polar bears have such special fur and skin! You won't find a mole like me swimming in freezing water!

Book is open 21 on page that we last saw P. Bear in (wearing glasses etc.)

She tries to take a sip of tea, but the mask is blocking her.

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HAND SLIDES FUR BACK revealing black skin.



CLOSE

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WIDER

Kids in FG

Kids can giggle after Mole's mishap.