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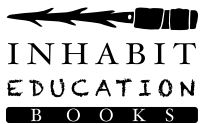
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Atira Meeka. Hilamiittamni aliagijara.

Nauhimajunik huradjaniglu qiniqhiajumajuktunga.

Ungahiktumunngaujariittuq takujaami hunanigliqaak hilamiutanik.

Ublumi qiniqhianaqtunga naujunik. Amigaittut aallatqiit nauvaktut maniqqami. Aallatqiinik ivitaaqaqtut iliktiutailu.

Qiniqhiata. Malinnga!

My name is Meeka. I love spending time outdoors.

I find plants and animals really interesting. You don't have to go far to see amazing things in nature.

Today I am looking for plants. Many kinds of plants grow on the tundra. They have different colours and shapes.

Let's go find some. Follow me!





Iguttat Niqingit Arctic Poppies

Iguttat niqingit pinniqtut. Qurjiqtaujut qakuqtaujuulluunniit.

Iguttat niqingit hiqiniq malikpagaat. Ubluraaluk haahimavagaat hiqiniq ikaaraaqtuq qilangmi.

Arctic poppies are beautiful. They have yellow or white petals.

Arctic poppies lean toward the sun. They move all day as the sun moves across the sky.







Kanguujaq Arctic Cotton

Kanguujat qakuqtaujut. Qun'ngiarnarijatka ingutaaqtut anuqhaarnirmi.

Anaanangma kanguujat atuqpagait manigiblugit qullirmini.

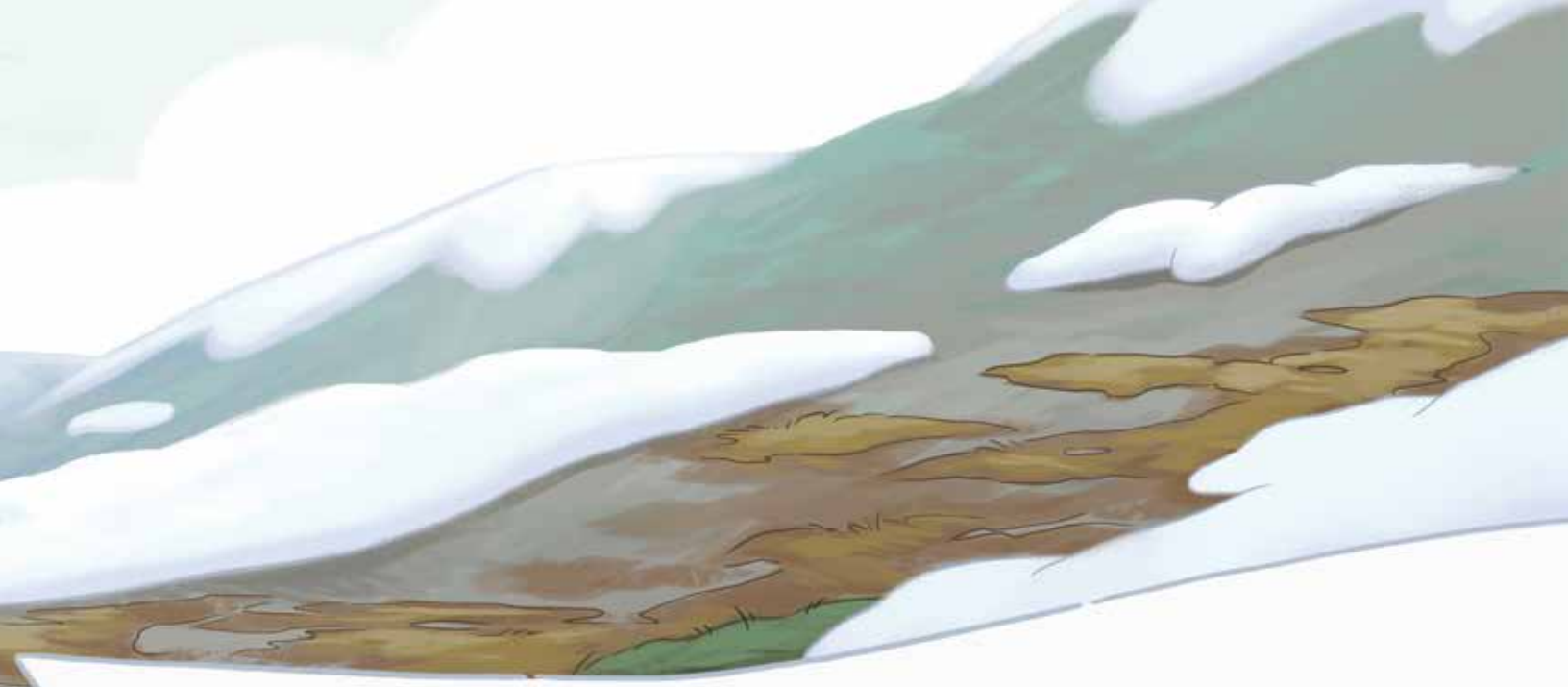
Arctic cotton has white fluffy blooms. I love watching them move in the breeze.

My grandma uses Arctic cotton as a wick for her stone lamp.









Ikhutit

Arctic Heather

Ikhutit pinniqtut mikijunik nauttialgit anmut haangajunik.

Ukiumi, Ikhutit hungajaahuijuittut aputip ataani!

Ikhutit ikualaattiaqtaaqtu. Anaanangma atuqpagait kikhutigiblugit.

Arctic heather has cute little flowers that point down.

In the winter, Arctic heather stays green under the snow!

Arctic heather burns well. My grandma uses it to make fires.







Uqpik

Arctic Willow

**Uqpiit qiblaraaqtut hungajaaqtut uqaujait
aupajangajullu nauttiangit.**

**Uqpiit naittut naujut. Nauvia takijut nunami
qaangagut naujuq. Nauvia qijuk amiralik napaagtutut.**

**Arctic willow has shiny green leaves and pink
flowers.**

**Arctic willow is a shrub. Its long stems grow along
the ground. The stems are woody like a tree trunk.**



Paun'ngat **Crowberries**

Paun'ngat nunap qaangani nauvaktut.

Paun'ngat taaqtut tungujktut. Aujami auvaktut.

Amaamaga jaaliurutigivagait paun'ngat. Mamaqpiaqtuq muqpaujaqtuqhuni!

Crowberries grow low to the ground.

Crowberries are really black. They grow in the summer.

My mom makes jam with crowberries. It is delicious with bannock!









Niviaqhiaq

Dwarf Fireweed

**Takuttaaq tara niviaqhiaq unghiktumit.
Aupajaavjangnianga takuqqaunnaqtuq.**

**Niviaqhiaq titiraujaraipku pinnarijara. Idjuhianga
aadjikkutaittuq.**

**I can spot the dwarf fireweed flower from far
away. The pink is so bright.**

**The dwarf fireweed flower is my favourite
flower to draw. It has a very unique shape.**



Naarniit

Purple Saxifrage

Naarniit aupajangajut nauttiangit. Ivitaangit pinniqpiaqtut maniqqami.

Naarniit humiliqaak qujaginnaq nauttaaqtut. Maniqqami nauvaktut, kuugalaat hanirainni, ujaqqani ujaraliallu avatainni!

Purple saxifrage has pinkish-purple flowers. The colours look beautiful all over the tundra.

Purple saxifrage can grow almost anywhere. It can grow on land, along streams, and even around rocks and gravel!









Malikkaat Mountain Avens

Malikkaat qakuqtanik nauttialgit qurjiqtaujuq qitqangit. Nauttiangit nauvaktut amigaiqhutik.

Malikkaat nauvaktut ujaraliaqarnirmi.

Mountain avens have white flowers with yellow centres. The flowers grow in big groups.

Mountain avens often grow in rocky areas.

**Takuhijugut amigaittunik pinniqtunik naujunik
ublumi.**

Kitu naujuq pinnariviuk?

We saw a lot of beautiful plants today.

Which plant was your favourite?



Amigaittut nauvaktut takujauttaaqtut Ukiuqtaqtumi!

Maliglugu Meeka, naujunik ilitturinuannuaq, qiniqhiajuq maniqqami aallatqiinik naujut, iguttanit kanguujaq naarniilu aallaniglu aallatqiinik. Hunat tingmijut, nivjaaqtut, paamnguqtuluunniit qanurittunik takkuhiniarmiva?

There are so many plants to discover in the North!

Join Meeka as she explores the tundra to find all sorts of plants, from Arctic cotton to purple saxifrage and everything in between. What blooming, growing greenery will she discover next?



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