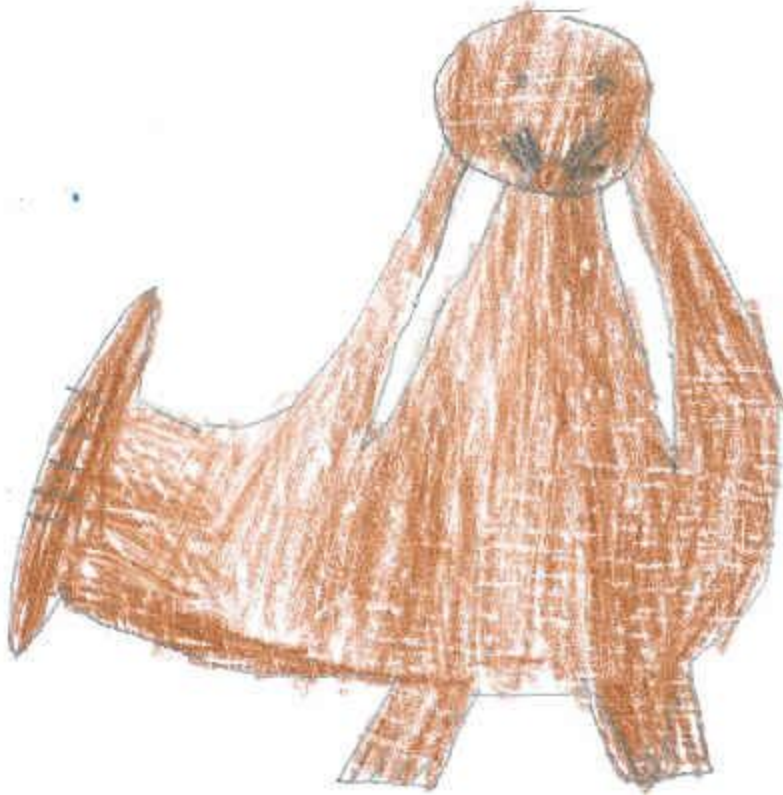


WALRUS

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My animal is an Atlantic walrus. It is a mammal. An adult male is 3 meters long and weighs 2,000 kilograms. Males are always bigger than females. The females are 2.7 meters long and weigh 700 kilograms. It lives in East Greenland in the Kara Sea and the Arctic Ocean. The walrus' diet is sea cucumbers, mollusks, crustaceans, clams, worms and seals. The things that kill it are polar bears, killer whales, and humans. There is only one pup when a female gives birth. Their babies weigh 60 kilograms and are 1.2 meters long. The baby stays with its mom for two years. It drinks its mommy's thick milk.

Did you know walrus's mouth is used to squirt water and get food? Did you know that it has five claws? Did you know that its' tusks grow to three feet or longer? Did you know that their whiskers are used for sensing? The walruses use their tusks to protect themselves and lift them up out of the water onto the ice floes.

