

Polar Bear, Polar Bear

You need: a plastic bear shaped honey bottle filled 3/4 of the way with water, yellow, blue, and red food coloring, and BLEACH

Once there was a beautiful white polar bear who lived in the zoo. (Set bear filled with water on the table).

Every day the children came to the zoo to watch the bear. Whenever they saw the bear they would clap their hands and stomp their feet...can you do that?....Anyway, one day the polar bear stood by his fence watching workmen paint nearby buildings.

Three cans of paint were left by the fence when the workmen went home. Polar Bear reached through the fence and grabbed the cans. That night, he dipped his big paw into the first can of paint and painted himself....(squeeze in 3 drops of yellow food coloring) YELLOW!

The next day, the children came and the Polar Bear did his tricks. The children clapped their hands and stamped their feet and said: Polar Bear, Polar Bear, your color's too bright, We like you best when your color was.....WHITE.

That night, the bear dipped his big paw into the second can of paint and painted himself----(Squeeze 3 drops of blue food coloring into the water. Some children will start to say BLUE from the color on the food coloring container, but will be surprised when the bear turns GREEN!)

The next day, the children came back. The Polar Bear did his tricks and the children clapped their hands and stamped their feet and said: Polar Bear, Polar Bear, you color's too bright. We liked you best when your color was white.

That night the bear dipped his paw into the third can of paint.....Continue with red, (it makes a yucky brown color), and do the clapping and stomping thing along with the Polar Bear chant...

The bear decided the children were right. He jumped into the water (continue

with story while adding bleach a little at a time until water is clear again) and swam and swam. Finally he climbed out.

The children clapped their hands, and stamped their feet and said: Polar Bear, Polar Bear, your color's just right. We love you, Polar Bear, so pretty and white. The bear decided never again to change his color. After all, polar bears are supposed to be white---aren't they?