



## A cold, hard life

Even in April, the temperature in the Arctic usually stays below -22°, and the ground stays frozen all year. Arctic wolves are one of the few animals that can handle these conditions. Because of the weather conditions, food is scarce.

Sometimes, the wolves have to go

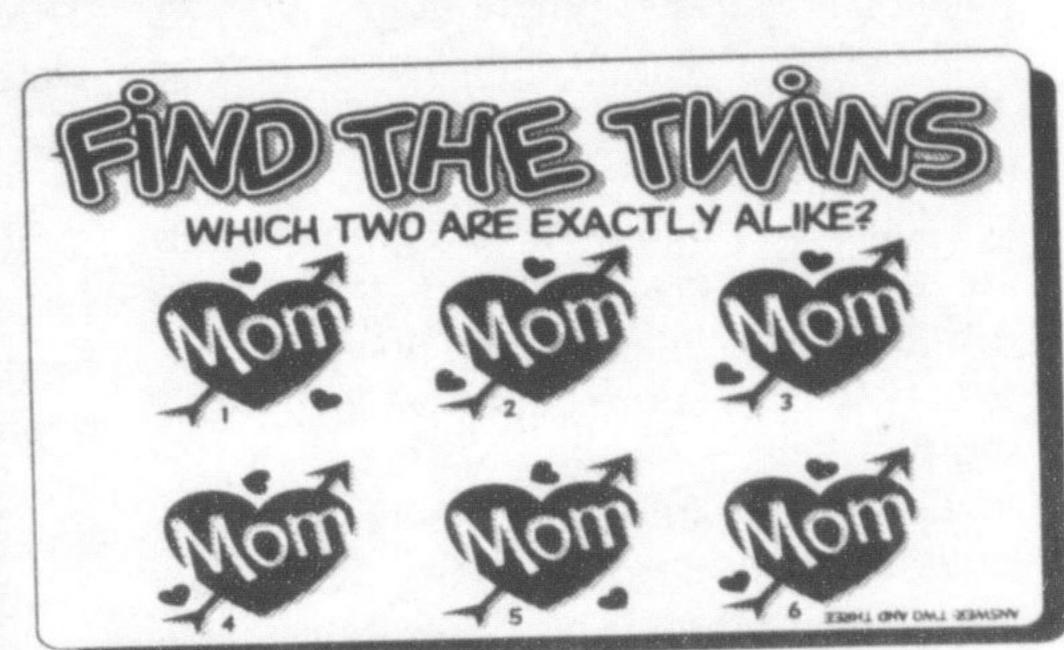
without food for days. When they do find food, no part of the animal is wasted. Arctic wolves will eat the fur, skin, bones and meat on the animals they catch. They can eat up to 10 pounds of meat at a time.

The wolves usually hunt lemmings and Arctic hare, but their best catch are caribou and musk ox.

Arctic wolves usually live in small

family groups called packs. A pack includes an alpha male wolf and an alpha female wolf and their cubs from the last two or three years.

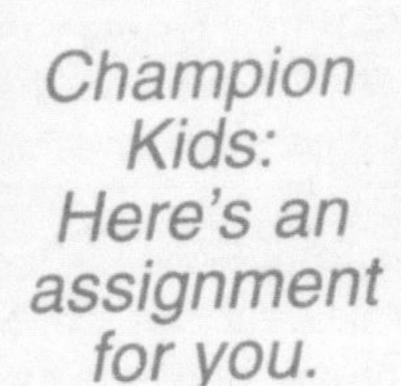
During the fall and winter, Arctic wolves move around. In the spring, pregnant females find a den to have cubs-in. Wolf cubs are born deaf, blind and helpless. After a month the cubs can eat meat.







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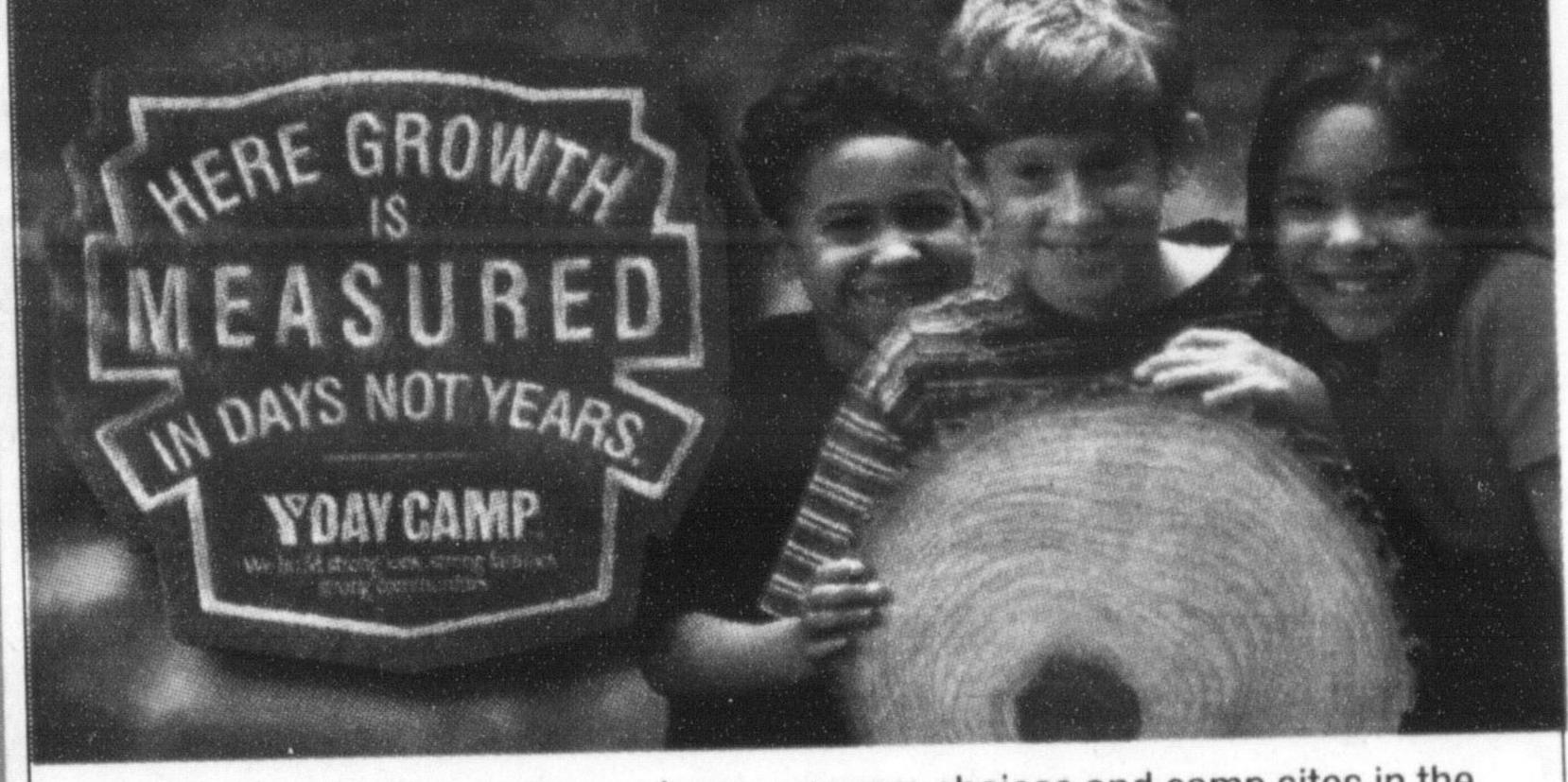




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