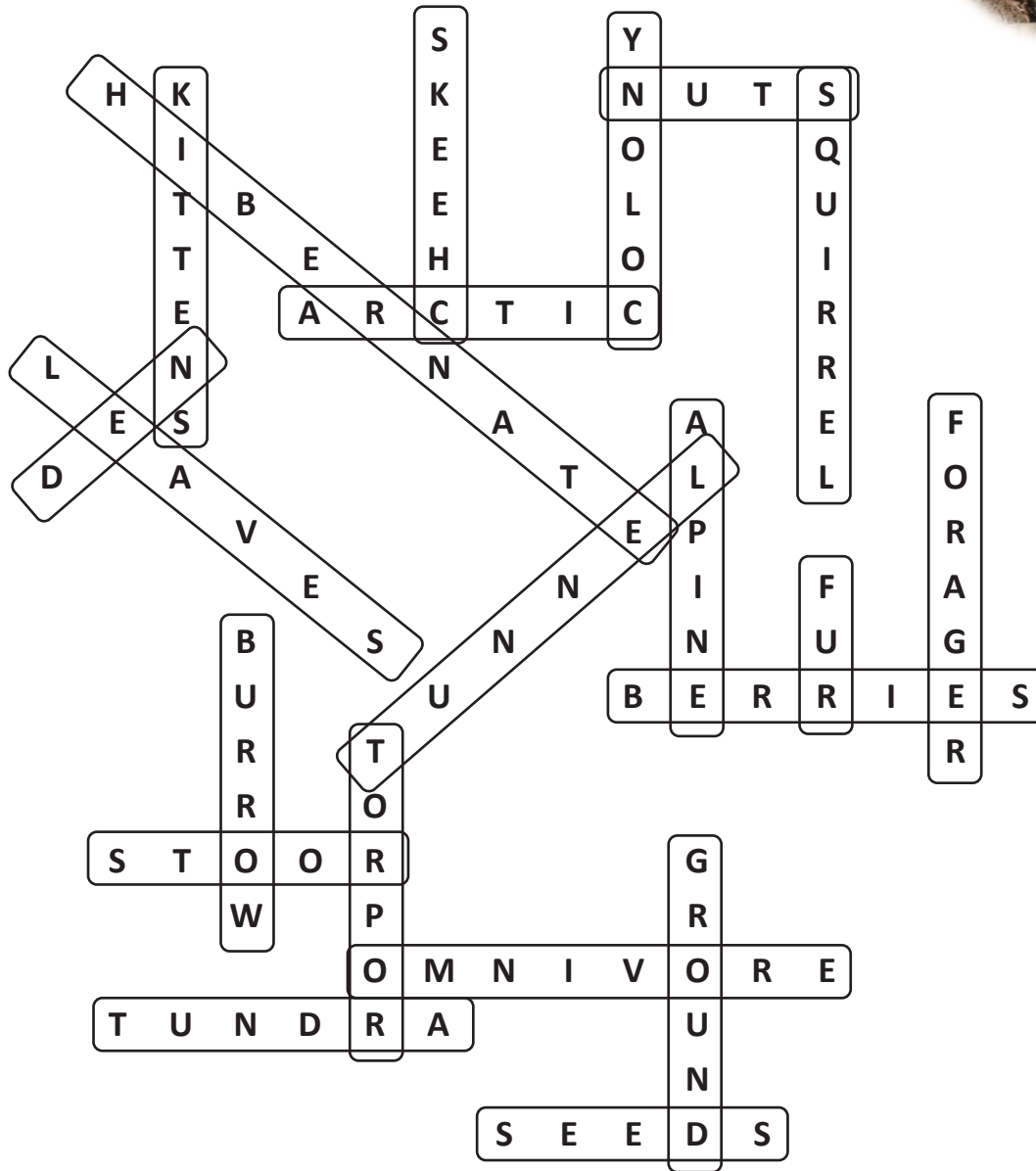


# Arctic Ground Squirrel

## Answer Key



- ALPINE
- ARCTIC
- BERRIES
- BURROW
- CHEEKS
- COLONY
- DEN
- FORAGER
- FUR
- GROUND
- HIBERNATE
- KITTENS
- LEAVES
- NUTS
- OMNIVORE
- ROOTS
- SEEDS
- SQUIRREL
- TORPOR
- TUNDRA
- TUNNEL

### FUN FACTS

- A baby ground squirrel is called a **kitten**.
- Ground squirrels are **omnivores** – they eat plants and meat.
- When a ground squirrel **hibernates**, its body enters a state called **torpor** which lowers the body temperature and reduces the amount of energy used.



#### **Sik-Sik's Summer**

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Join an Arctic ground squirrel called Sik-Sik as she wakes from her long winter sleep in Alaska. The land is brown and dry at first, but as spring turns to summer, the world turns green and the mountains bloom. Children will enjoy the photographs and story of Sik-Sik's Summer.