

Woolly Mammoth In Trouble – Smithsonian's Prehistoric Pals

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BOOK DESCRIPTION: It's the Ice Age and Woolly Mammoth is at home on the cold, windy plains of Europe. As a storm comes and heavy snow falls, Woolly Mammoth realizes he is lost. A pack of Saber-Tooth tigers catches sight of Woolly Mammoth. Can he find his way out of this trouble and back to his herd? Join Woolly Mammoth on a prehistoric adventure as Soundprints and the Smithsonian Institution recreate a bygone world and give you a glimpse into the life of this incredible creature. Beautiful graphics and powerful sound effects make you feel like the exciting adventures of the prehistoric age are happening right outside your door! This title has been carefully reviewed by paleontologists at the Smithsonian Institution and provides fascinating information about the prehistoric world.

RELATED SUBJECTS:

GRADE LEVELS: Pre-K to 2

USING omBooks IN THE CLASSROOM

Reading Modes

Read it Myself

- Read the story to your students or have the students read the story themselves
- Turn the pages to read at your own pace

Read to Me

- Follow along as the story is read by the narrator
- Turn the pages to read at your own pace

Auto Play

- Follow along as the story is read by a narrator
- Pages turn automatically for reading at a controlled pace

Interactive Features

- Tap a picture to hear and see the word associated with it
- Tap on an individual word to hear it pronounced
- Touch and hold a paragraph to hear it read by a narrator

Reading Dynamics

Large Group

- Connect your iOS or Android device to your classroom projector, TV, or computer monitor (see *How-To Guide*).
- Use the *Read it Myself* mode to read the story aloud, or use the *Read to Me* or *Auto Play* modes to present the story to the entire class.
- Use the discussion questions on page 3 to guide a whole-class discussion.
- Alternatively, if your students can read, project the questions on the screen. Invite students to partner up and discuss the story in pairs. Ask them to record their discussion on the iOS or Android device so you can assess their work.

Small Groups

- Gather a small group of students and display the iOS or Android device so all can see.
- Use the *Read it Myself* mode to read the story aloud, or use the *Read to Me* or *Auto Play* modes to present the story to the small group.
- Use the discussion questions on page 3 to guide a group discussion.

Partners

- If you have enough devices in the classroom, invite students to read or listen to the story in pairs.
- Students can take turns reading pages, asking questions, and supporting each other.
- If your students can read, give them the discussion questions from page 3. Ask them to record their discussion on the iOS or Android device so you can assess their work.
- If your students are non-readers, invite the class to come back together as a large group. Guide a class discussion using the discussion questions on page 3.

Independent

- If you have enough devices in the classroom, invite students to read or listen to the story independently.
- Students can use the interactive features to support their reading, and each student can explore the text and illustrations at an individualized pace.
- If your students can read, give them the discussion questions from page 3 and ask them to type or record their responses on the device.
- If your students are non-readers, invite the class to come back together as a large group. Guide a class discussion using the discussion questions on page 3.

DISCUSSING THE BOOK

1. **Extinction:** Are there any Woolly Mammoths alive today? Why not? When did Woolly Mammoths live?
2. **Eating Habits:** What does the Woolly Mammoth eat? Is the Woolly Mammoth an herbivore, carnivore, or omnivore?
3. **Herds:** The title of this book is Woolly Mammoth in Trouble. Why is the Woolly Mammoth in trouble? Why do Woolly Mammoths travel in herds?
4. **Shelter:** What happens when the storm grows strong? Where does the Woolly Mammoth go? Where do you go for shelter?
5. **Predators and Prey:** Which animals are the Woolly Mammoth's predators in this book?
6. **Adaptations:** How does the Woolly Mammoth use his tusks? How does the Woolly Mammoth use his trunk? How does the Woolly Mammoth scare away the Saber-Tooth tigers?

EXTENDING THE LEARNING

Woolly Mammoth in Trouble provides an introduction to Woolly Mammoths and the core concepts of life science. Encourage students to use the iOS or Android device as a tool to extend their learning. Some ideas:

- **Research:** Use your mobile device's web browser to research Woolly Mammoths. Search for images, videos, news articles, and reference materials. You may also contact an "expert" on Woolly Mammoths and invite him/her to do a video conference in your class via video chat. Students can interview the expert to learn more about the topic.
- **Share with others:** Your students have worked hard to learn about Woolly Mammoths. Encourage them to show off what they know by sharing the learning with others! Use new media (blogs, Twitter, Facebook, Edmodo, Pinterest, wikis) to share text and images about Woolly Mammoths. Take this one step further by creating a documentary. Use the camera function on your mobile device to record your students and use a video editing app to put together a short film about Woolly Mammoths. Share the video online.
- **Categorize:** Woolly Mammoth shares a habitat with other animals. The animals mentioned in the story are Woolly Mammoth, rabbits, Ptarmigan, Saber-Tooth tigers, arctic fox, Golden Eagle, wolves, and Irish Elk. Support your students in categorizing these animals by their diets. Make a chart on a piece of poster board with three categories: herbivore, canivore, and omnivore. Ask students to find images of the animals from the story, print them, cut them out, and stick them on the chart under the appropriate category.

SHARING YOUR WORK

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