## Too Far From Home

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#### The Problem

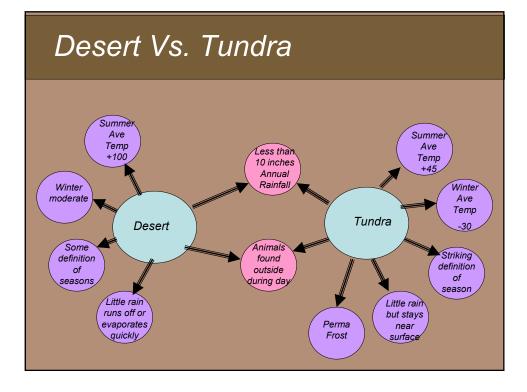
- An alien collector not authorized for collection of Earth animals from all Earth biomes
- when he saw the Intergalactic Life Form Protection Officers approaching, he dumped his cargo.
- All animals landed safely but not in the correct biome.
- An army of volunteers activated to help the animals survive in the new biome until they can be returned to their home biome.

## Artic Fox Characteristic

- Home Biome: Tundra
- Habits
  - Do not hibernate
- Type of animal
  - Mammal
  - Canine Family
- Physical Characteristics (adaptations)
  - Short compact body (less heat loss)
  - Fur color changes to match winter environment
  - Fur one of the densest
  - 6 to 10 lbs
  - Well furred feet

- Food needs
  - Small game
  - Winter follows Polar Bears and eats left overs
  - Buries food in fall to deep freeze
- Other needs
  - Lives in den
  - Solitary 🖕





# Works Cited

 Artic Fox, eNature.com, <u>http://www.enature.com/fieldguides/detail.</u> <u>asp?recnum=MA0430</u>, December 12,2006.

#### Needs: Little or No Adaptation Needed

- Food
  - Small animals available year round (may be better than own biome)
- Temperature
  - Winter temperatures more like Summer temperatures in own biome

# Needs: Adaptation Needed

- Summer Temperatures – Very high may need cooling or go outside at night
- Water not as plentiful
- White winter coat would make them stand out
- Winter coat may be too warm
- Used to looking for small animals in the snow. Might be a problem
- Enemies
  - Coyotes, Katamundi, Dogs, Wild Cats