POLAR EXPEDITIONS

For Teachers

A CODED MESSAGE

Corrected version When you visit the **Biodôme**, you'll get to be a polar **biologist**, conducting research into the **ecosystems** of the two Poles. The **Arctic** is the region all around the North Pole. There are no trees in this landscape, called **tundra**. The people of the region, who used to be known as Eskimos, call themselves **Inuit**. The **auk** family you'll meet includes Atlantic puffins, razorbill auks, black guillemots and common murres. The **Antarctic** is the region surrounding the South Pole. It is very cold there. You'll study four species of **penguins**: king penguins, gentoo penguins, rockhopper penguins and macaroni penguins.

Quiz

You can ask your class the following questions to see whether they decoded and understood the message correctly.

- **What kind of scientists will you be?** (Answer: polar biologists)
- What are the two polar regions you will be studying? (Answer: the Arctic [North Pole] and Antarctic [South Pole])
- * What is the treeless landscape in the Far North called? (Answer: tundra)
- * What is the family of birds that live in the Arctic called? (Answer: auks)
- **What is the family of birds that live in the Antarctic called?** (Answer: penguins)

