

# B for Bear

Bears are fast runners,  
excellent swimmers  
and good climbers.  
They may look cute,  
but this animal is dangerous.



Bears are solitary animals.  
Only mother and cubs live together.  
Cubs love to play.  
Playing teaches them hunting skills.

Bears sleep all winter.  
This deep sleep  
is called "hibernation".  
They don't eat and drink  
during this time.

Everyone knows bears like honey.  
They eat plants,  
leaves, nuts and roots  
as well as insects,  
fish, birds and mammals.

The skin of polar bears is black.  
This helps them to absorb  
more of the heat from the sun.

Koala bears aren't real bears.  
Like kangaroos, they have pouches  
in which they carry their babies.

Pandas can spend up  
to 16 hours a day feeding.

Where are you,  
My little bear?  
Behind the door,  
Under the chair,  
Or on the floor?

Where are you,  
My little bear?  
I can't find you.  
It isn't fair!

