## Walruses

Walruses are marine mammals. They are very large animals with whiskers and long tusks. The males can have tusks that are three feet long and the female's tusks usually grow to be about two and a half feet long. Walruses use their tusks to defend themselves, to cut through ice, and to pull themselves out of the water. They spend two thirds of their lives in the water. Walruses eat clams and mussels, but will sometimes eat seals if they cannot find other food.

