

The King Penguin

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Synopsis: King penguin Percival is off to find subjects who will listen to him, as long as they do not eat him first.

Suggested Reading Date: September - beginning of school/making rules for a group;
January 20th – National Penguin Awareness Day

Activity Descriptions:

- Discuss what it means to be a leader – who gets to make decisions for a group? Why?
- This book uses a lot of alliteration – Percival Penguin, Practically Perfect, Minuscule Minion, etc. Discuss alliteration and see how many alliterative words you can use to describe Percival.
- Create a “Memory” style game of penguin species. Consider laminating them for reusability. <https://1plus1plus1equals1.net/download/penguin-3-part-cards/>
- Watch a video about King Penguins or other types of penguins: <https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/animals/birds/topic/penguin-facts#be997f00-4c96-422e-ab1d-4ccd5557957a>
- Draw a Penguin activity sheet – PDF: <https://edgmemberprintables.s3.us-east-2.amazonaws.com/154howtodrawaPenguin-printableworksheet.pdf>

Related Websites:

- Author’s Website: <https://vanessaroder.com/>
- SciShow Kids – Meet 3 Peculiar Penguins: https://youtu.be/T8Wp2yWH_3E?si=tGQlbWvfb_WhYaPQ

Text to Text Connections:

- *Old Man and the Penguin* by Julie Abery
- *Pierre the Penguin* by Jean Marzollo
- *Rulers of the Playground* by Joseph Kuefler
- *Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners* by Laurie Keller

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