

EYES OPEN 3 / UNIT 1
THE LONG WINTER - VIDEO

FIRST VIEWING

Exercise 1: You are going to watch a video about a family in Alaska preparing for winter. Watch the video for the first time and write T (True) or F (False).

1. Alaska's got long winters.
2. The Kilcher family spend most of the day inside.
3. They buy all their vegetables.
4. They never cut the trees.
5. They put their food in a store cupboard.
6. They always buy their food from a supermarket.
7. Atz catches enough rabbits.
8. The Kilcher family hasn't got an easy life.



SECOND VIEWING

Exercise 2: Watch now the first part of the video (up to 01.42) and match the two columns.

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| 1. Alaska is | ▪ | ▪ catch fish in the lake. |
| 2. There are | ▪ | ▪ sub-zero temperatures for eight months. |
| 3. The Kilcher family | ▪ | ▪ their meals ahead. |
| 4. They use | ▪ | ▪ the largest state of the United States. |
| 5. They plan | ▪ | ▪ the wood to light their fires. |

Exercise 3: Watch the rest of the video (from 01.43) and put the events in order.

1. Atz goes into the forest.
2. Atz makes a trap.
3. Atz builds a fire.



AFTER VIEWING

Exercise 4: *What are the advantages and disadvantages of the way of life in Alaska? Discuss your ideas in your groups, make notes and present them in class.*

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none">•••••	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•••••



Homework: *Would you like to live in Alaska? Why/Why not? Write a paragraph of about 50 words.*

Or

Retell the story of the Kilcher family preparing for winter. Key words: eight months, outdoor, vegetables, lake, trees, meals, cupboard, Atz and Jane, worried, difficult, rabbits.