



Name _____

Chill Words

Directions: Read the passage and use the word bank to fill in the missing words.

ice shelf

colony

penguin

freezing

South Pole

scientists

glacier

cracks

Antarctica is known for its _____ temperatures, powerful winds, and huge sheets of ice. One of the most important features of this continent is the _____, a thick platform of ice that floats on the ocean. In some places, a _____ slowly moves across the land, carving deep valleys _____ as it _____ pushes _____ forward. Along the coast, you can often spot a _____, a bird that cannot fly but swims swiftly through icy water. Many of these animals gather together in a large _____ during the breeding _____ season. Antarctica is also home to the _____, the southernmost point on Earth. Because the land and ice are always shifting, wide _____ sometimes appear in the ground. These changes are carefully studied by _____ who visit the continent to learn more about Earth's climate.