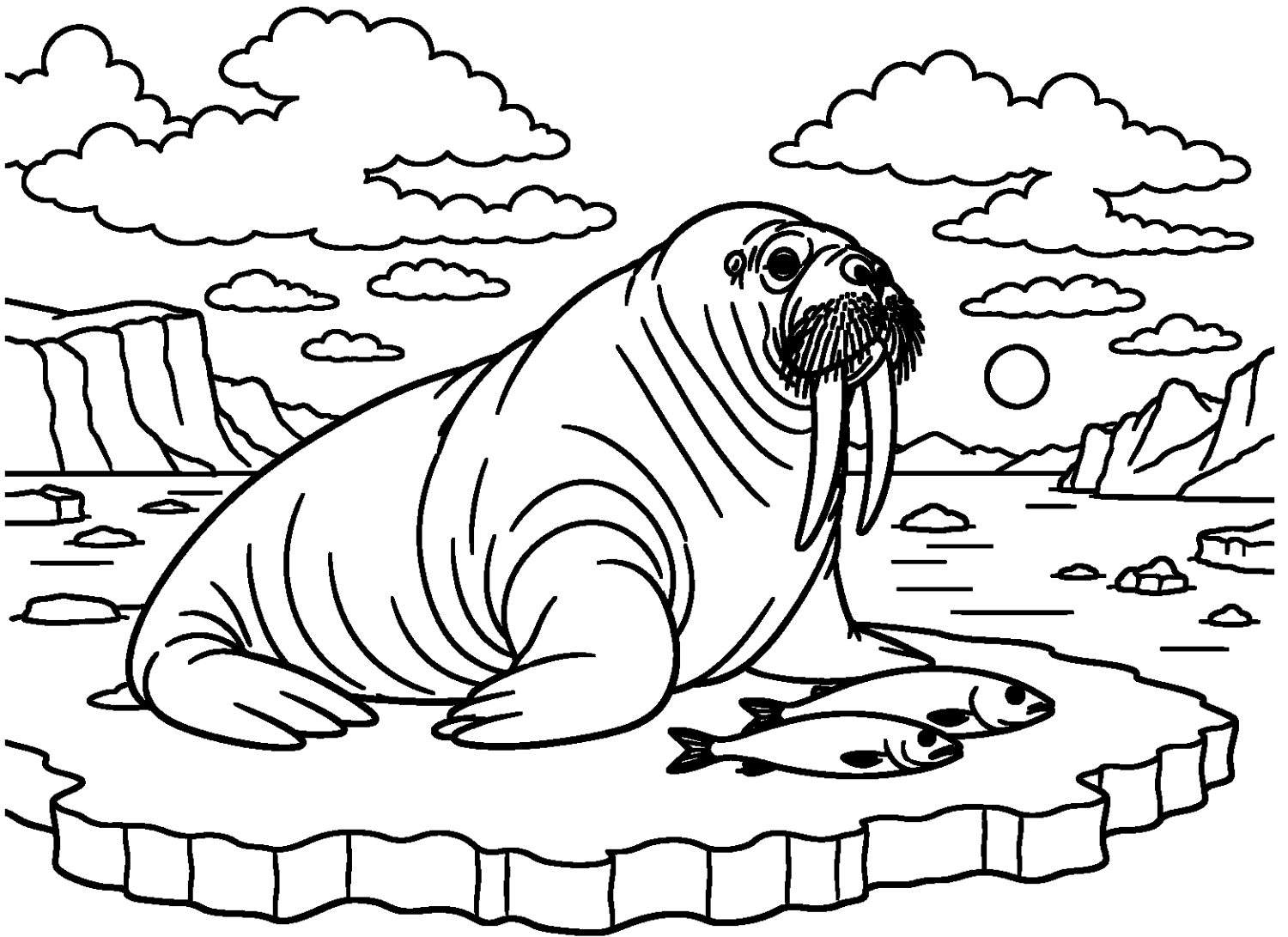


Wastefulness

The Wasteful Walrus

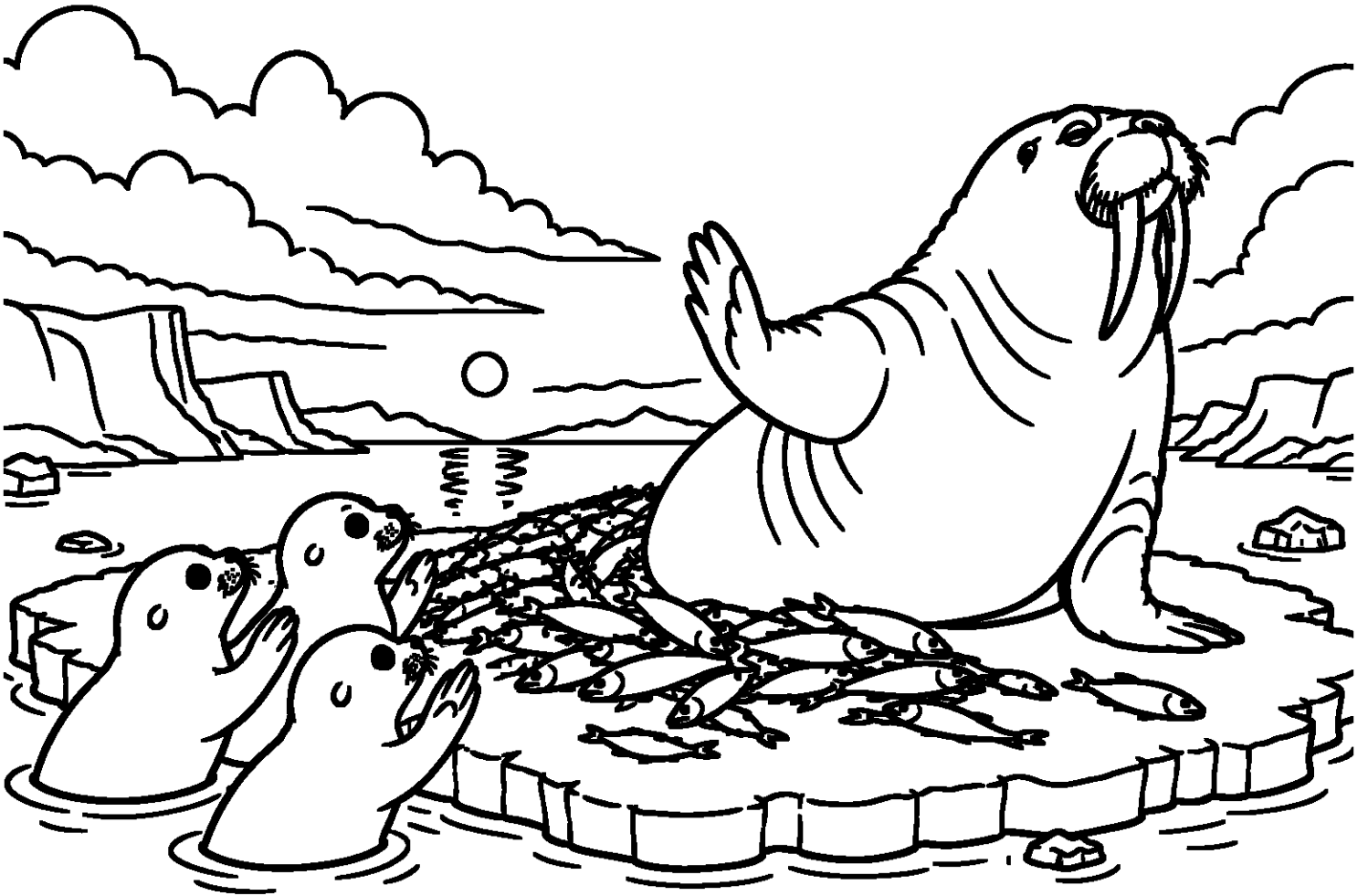


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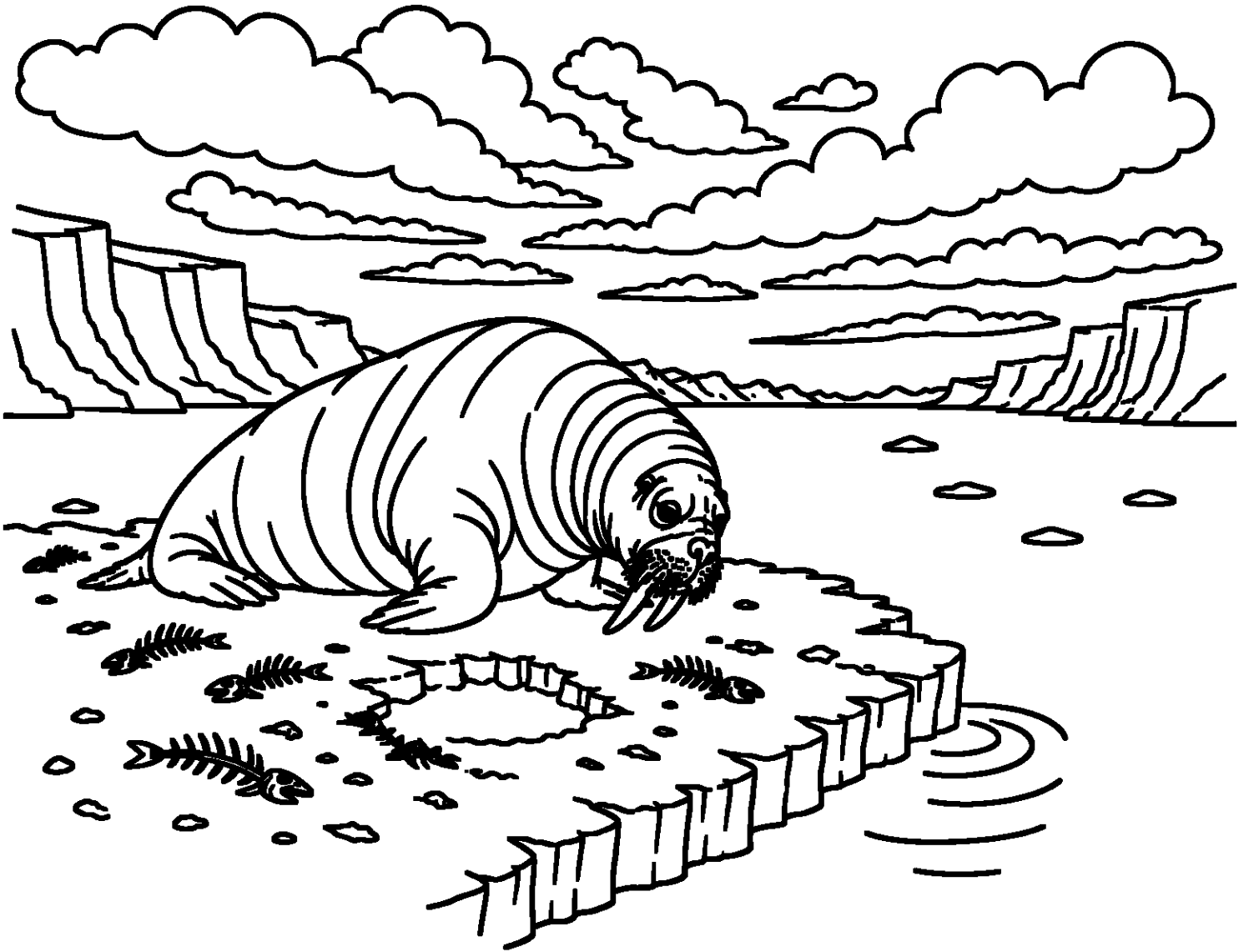
A walrus caught more fish than all,
ate just a bite, let plenty fall.
"There's plenty more!" he'd grandly say,
and toss the good fish all away.

The Wasteful Walrus



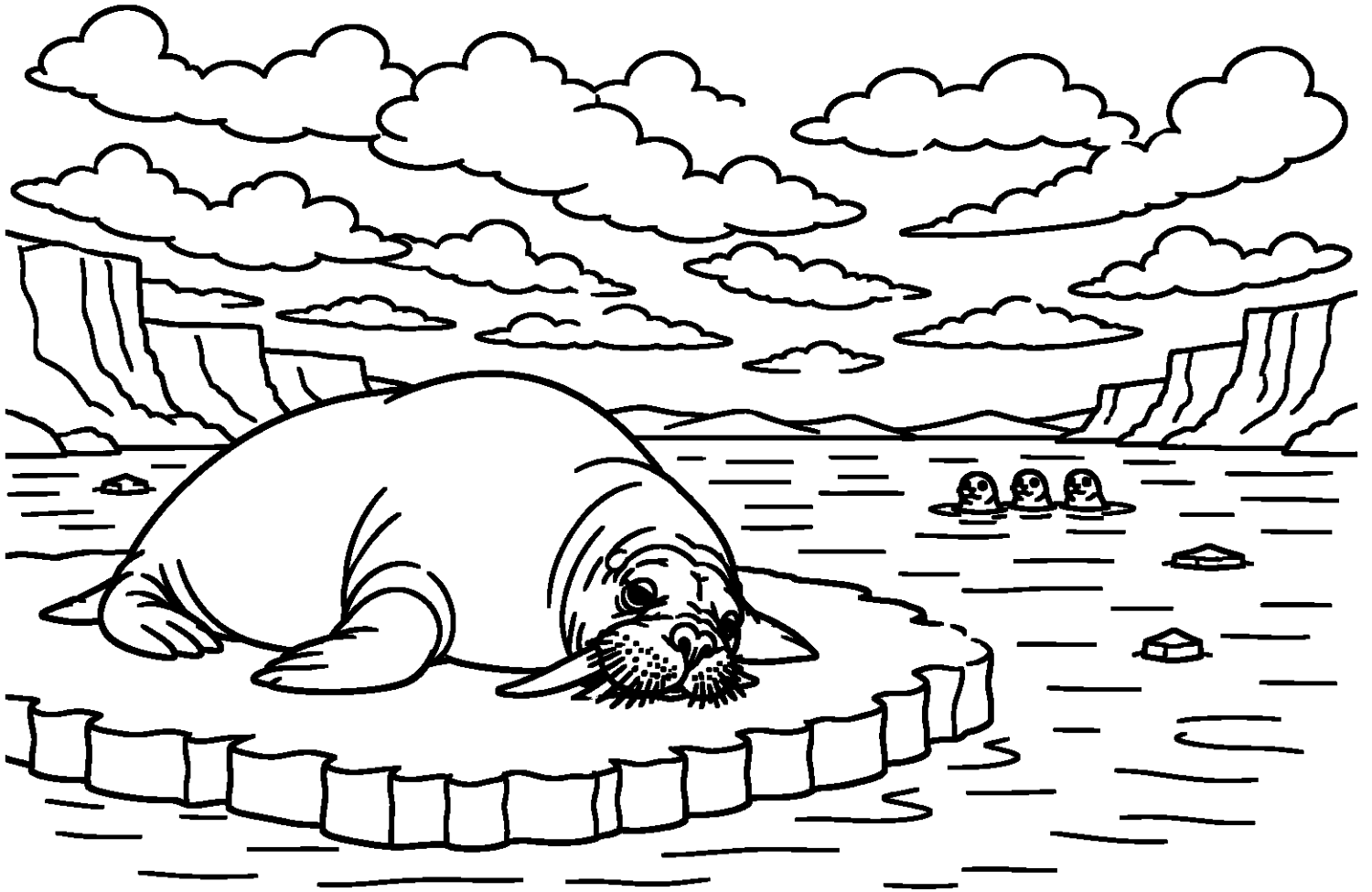
The little seals would softly plead,
"Please share the fish you do not need?"
"Go catch your own!" he'd gruffly call,
and waste enough to feed them all.

The Wasteful Walrus



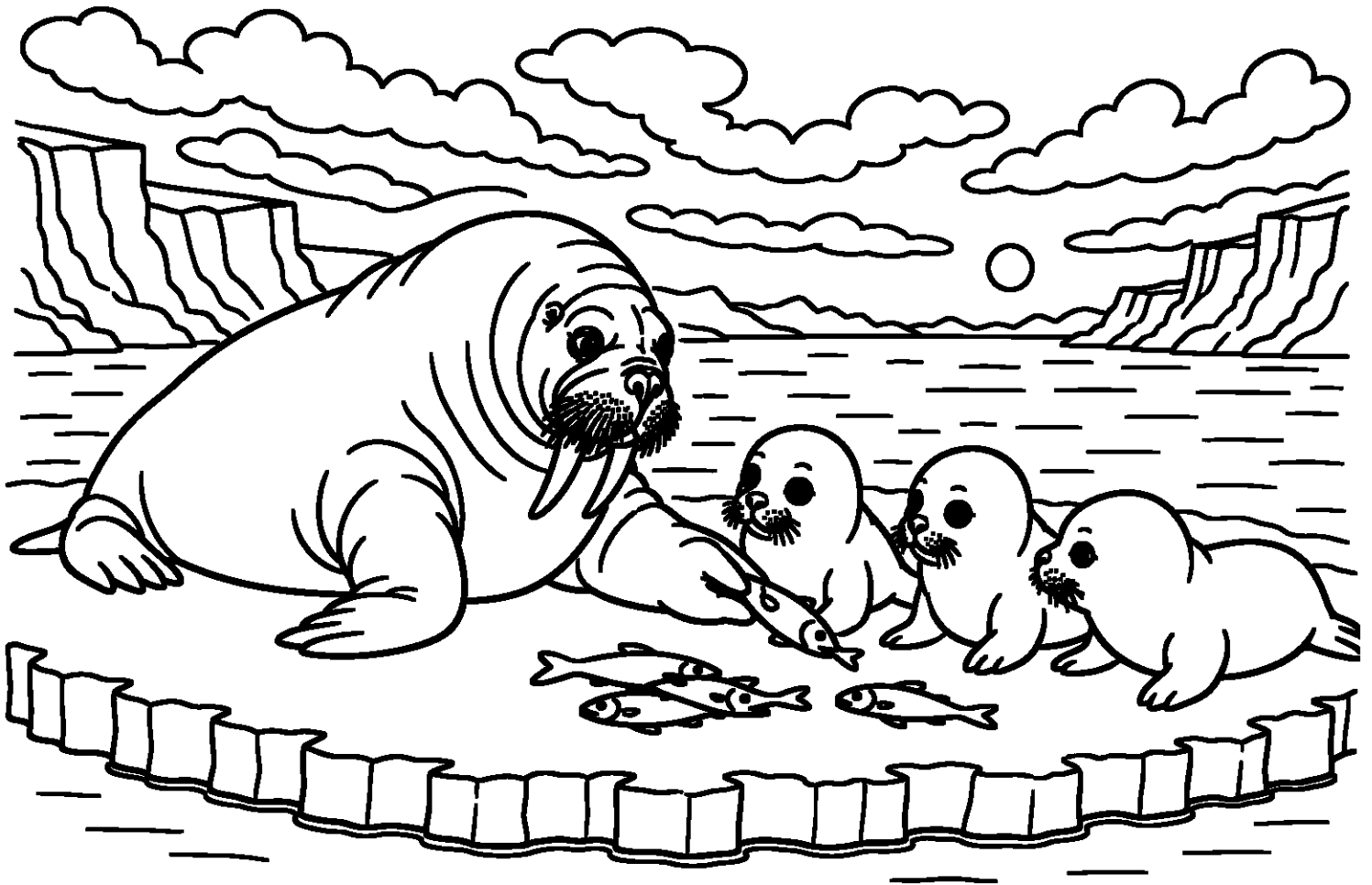
But when the fish grew scarce and rare,
the walrus found his store was bare.
He'd thrown his summer's catch aside,
all his provisions had now dried.

The Wasteful Walrus



What he had wasted, never kept,
would not return, nothing was left.
Had he but given fish to seals,
perhaps they all could share their meals.

The Wasteful Walrus



Moral

Take what you need, and waste no more —
for nature keeps no endless store.