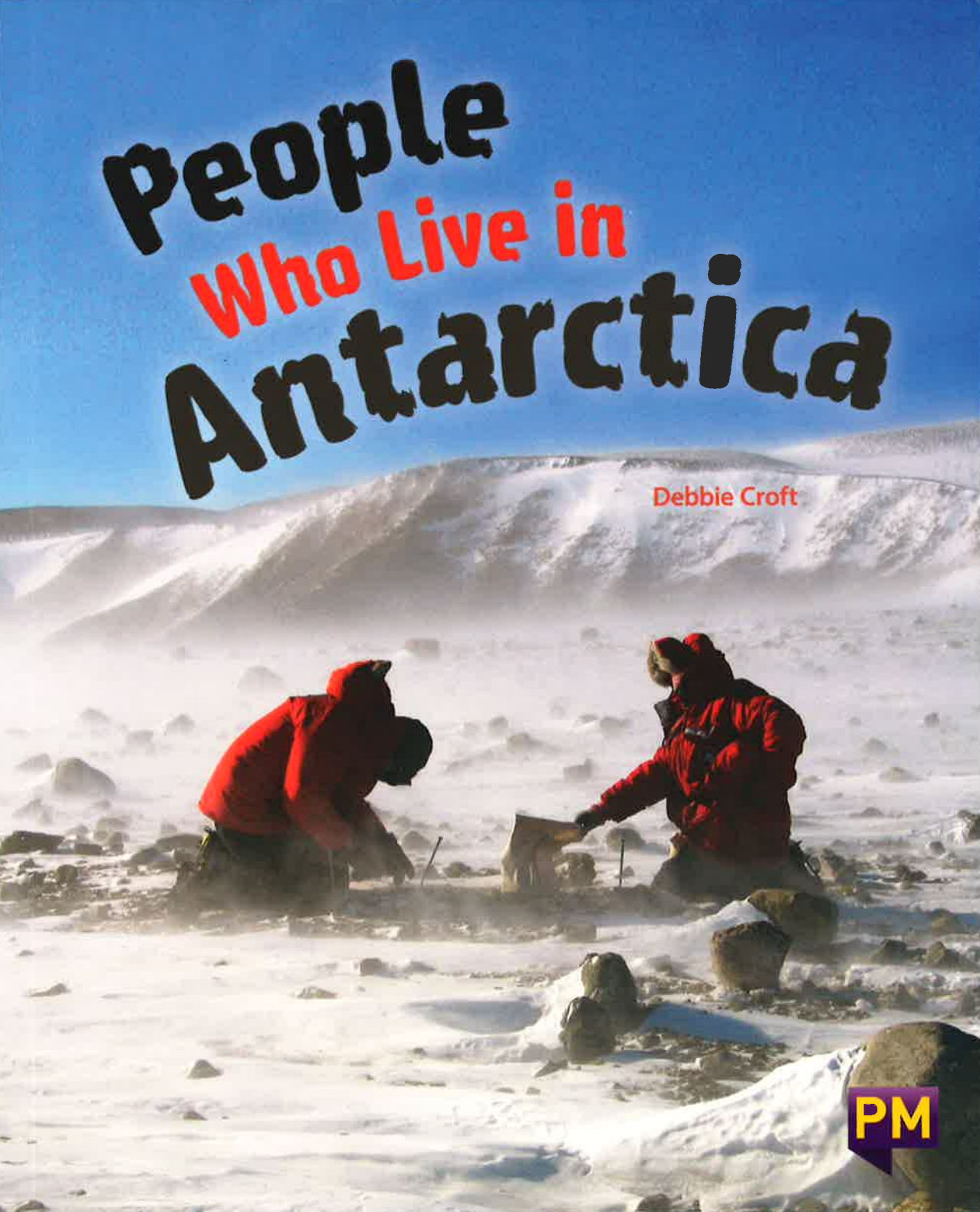

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Level 23 **Curriculum Areas** Humanities – Geography; Science
Running Words 1007 **Text Types** Information Report (Informative) pages 2–19
Recount (Imaginative) pages 20–23

Retelling to encourage critical thinking about the content

Ask each student to retell the information report in his or her own words.
Record the retelling for further discussion and reflection.

Think and Talk About ...

Fact boxes in the book encourage each student to explore the statements further and to share the information with others.

Questions to reinforce meaning and stimulate discussion

Literal

1 Why is Antarctica a desert?

Inferential

2 Why are fresh fruit and vegetables only eaten some of the time?
3 Why would vans be more secure than a hut?
4 Why do people use melted ice for their water supply?

Applied Knowledge

5 Why is it important for the chef to prepare healthy meals?
6 How are workers and equipment transported from the ships to the research stations?

Dr Walker's Blog

Literal

1 Why was it important to check the equipment and medical supplies?

Inferential

2 Why does a postmark from Antarctica increase the value of a postage stamp?
3 Why would the doctor need to quickly return to the research station?
4 What weather is 'suitable' to go ice climbing?

Applied Knowledge

5 Why do scientists need to count penguin chicks?
6 How would a patient be transported to a hospital if there was a serious medical emergency?

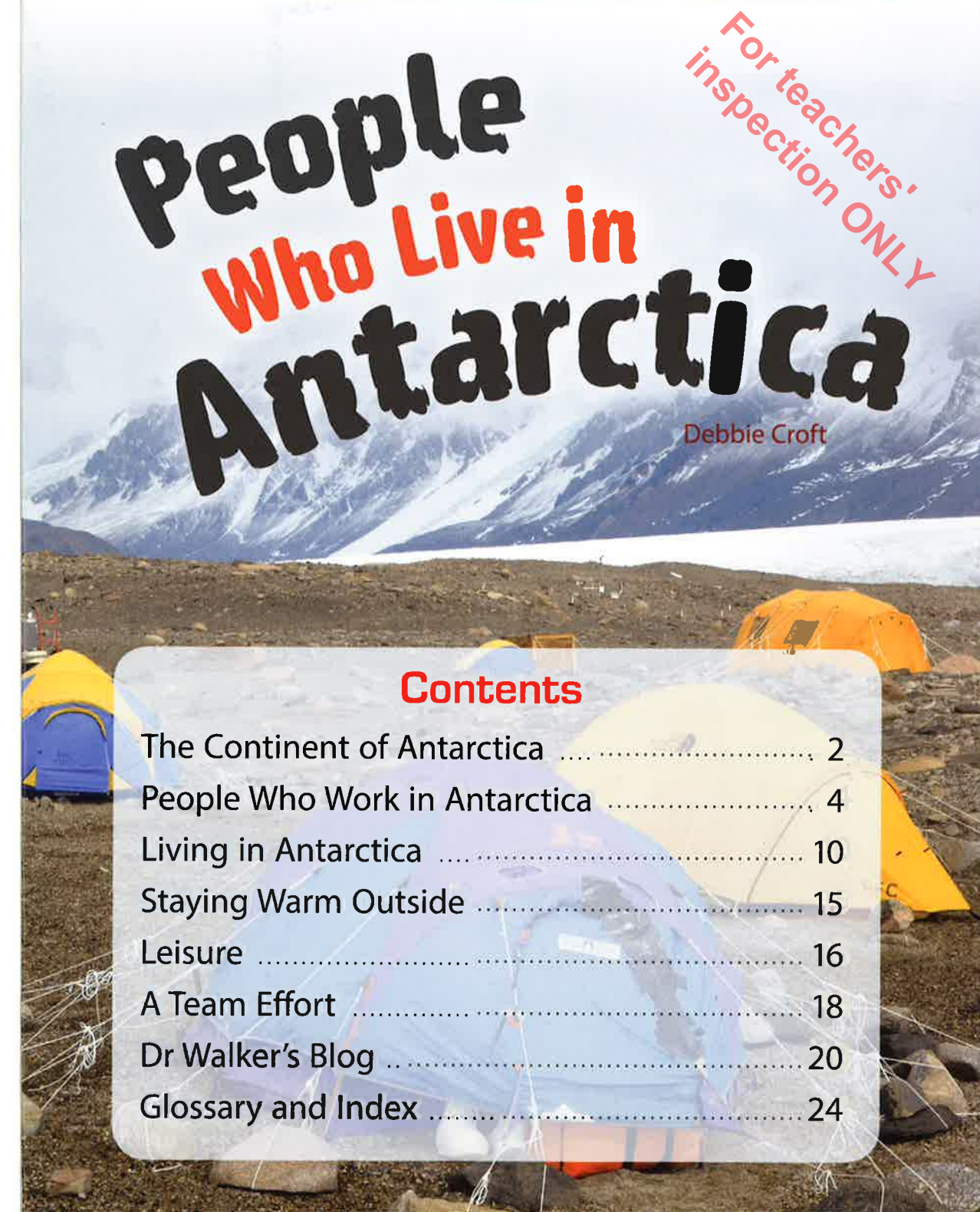
Links with other PM Guided Reading Books and Cards

Level 23 Card Narrative *Emergency Below the Ice Shelf*

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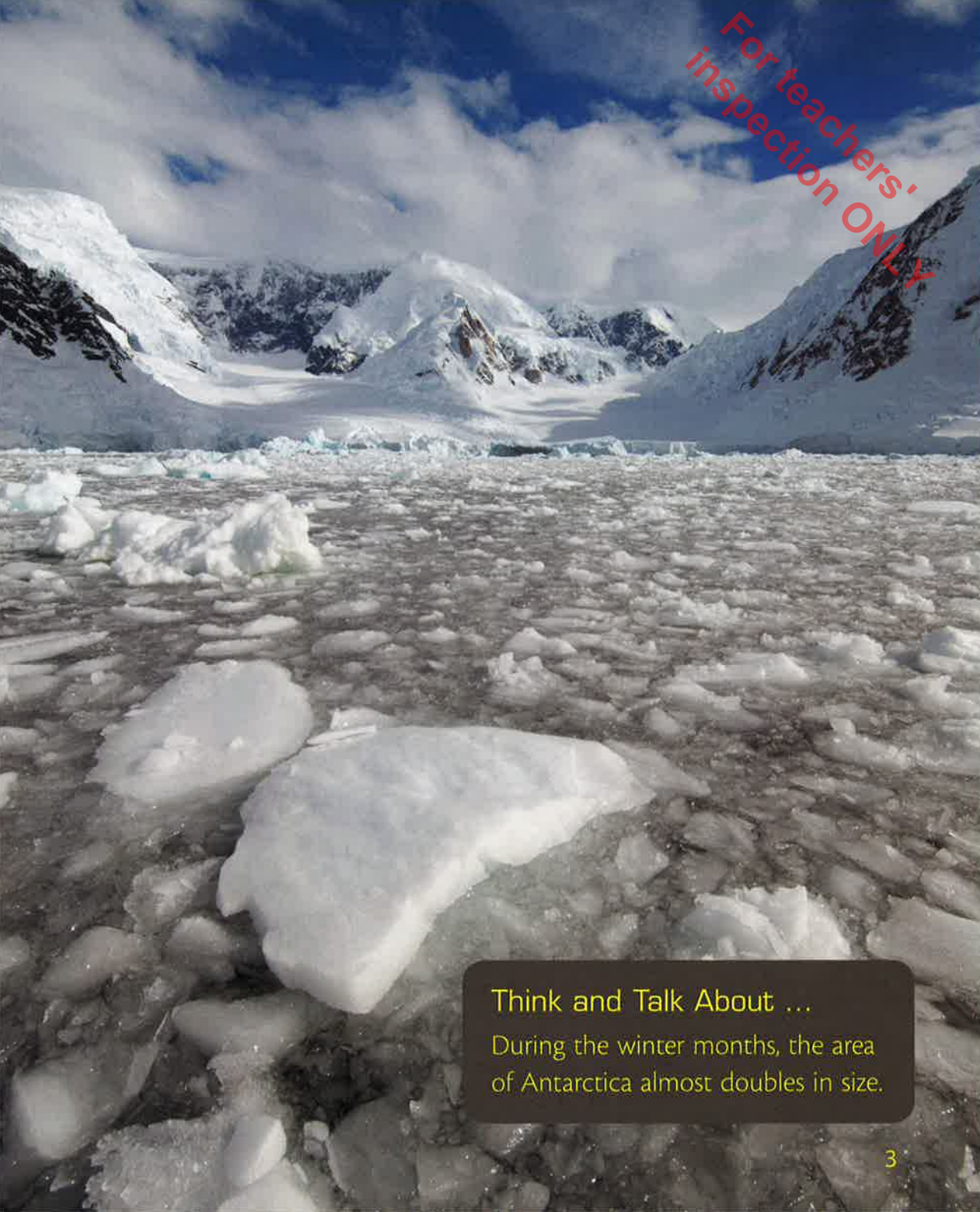
The Continent of Antarctica

The area of land around the South Pole is called Antarctica.
It is the world's coldest and windiest continent.
Antarctica is about twice the size of Australia
and is covered in ice for almost the whole year.

Although it is very cold, Antarctica is a desert.
Only a small amount of rain falls there each year.



Antarctica is the world's southernmost continent.



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Think and Talk About …

During the winter months, the area of Antarctica almost doubles in size.

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People Who Work in Antarctica

During the winter, a few hundred people live and work in Antarctica. However, in the summer, about 5000 people from many different countries live and work there.

Scientists

Scientists from all around the world work at research stations in Antarctica. They study living **organisms**, the air and the environment.

Many scientists study how plants and animals **adapt** to the harsh conditions in Antarctica. They learn about the eating habits of **krill**, squid, fish, seabirds and mammals that live in the icy waters.

Some of the work that scientists do in this freezing environment cannot be done successfully anywhere else in the world. Antarctica is a **unique** place.



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A scientist studies penguins in Antarctica.

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Builders, Plumbers and Electricians

Builders, plumbers and electricians also work in Antarctica. These people put up new buildings at the research stations. They also maintain and repair older buildings where people live and work.



People who work in Antarctica often have to help shovel snow.

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An electrician repairs the pipes at an Antarctic research station.



Electricians work inside an Antarctic research station.