

**Playground and context:**

➤ **Context:**

- The extent of sea ice decline and we have to rethink our development and in particular the Arctic are development.
- The melting of the ice supposes new roads and opportunities will appear for the bordering states. This leads to a growing militarisation and a possible destabilization of the area.

➤ **Actors :**

The Arctic Council will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary in 2021; It is the leading intergovernmental forum promoting cooperation in the Arctic. Different kinds of actors are involved in the Arctic Council (inhabitants, activities, NGO, countries).

➤ **Activity**

You will make a pair representing one of those groups and you will have to give your position on these two topics:

Topic 1– Shall we develop shipping and oil and gas fields in the Arctic?

Topic 2- Is it possible to limit the increasing militarisation of the area?

You will prepare a paper (one sheet maximum with notes only, not full sentences) to help you to make your speech. In this speech, you will make clear:

- Who you are representing
- What interests, stakes you defend
- What necessary measures, main steps or emergency action must be taken on both topics.
- A few selected documents that you could show during the debate (maps, pictures).

Your speech will be maximum 4 mn each.

To help you, you will spend two hours in the computer room in Dnl (12 and 19/11) and two hours with Mrs Southworth to find some elements to base your research. Make sure you do your research in English.

Date of the Model Arctic Council: 2 hours (week of 3/12)

You will have prepared a placard with your title on it.

Here are the criteria assessed: rich and appropriate content/ convincing arguments without reading/proper language/pronunciation

➤ **Composition:**

**8 ARCTIC STATES (local governments)**

**PERMANENT PARTICIPANTS:**

A Delegation of Indigenous people

**OBSERVERS**

- Experts:
- An NGO or eco organization

- A scientific laboratory,
- A mine or energy company
- A tourism company
- Non Arctic States: China , France

**GROUPS AND Non exhaustive WEBSITES for your research (Each group will form a pair )**

General research	<p>The Arctic Council: <a href="https://arctic-council.org/">https://arctic-council.org/</a></p> <p><a href="https://discoveringthearctic.org.uk">https://discoveringthearctic.org.uk</a>  <a href="https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/topics/">https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/topics/</a>  <a href="https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/countries/">https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/countries/</a></p> <p>The rise of tensions  <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3ct1gvc">https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3ct1gvc</a>  <a href="https://www.nato.int/docu/review/articles/2019/06/28/the-changing-shape-of-arctic-security/index.html">https://www.nato.int/docu/review/articles/2019/06/28/the-changing-shape-of-arctic-security/index.html</a></p> <p>Council for Foreign Relations  <a href="https://www.cfr.org/emerging-arctic/#/">https://www.cfr.org/emerging-arctic/#/</a></p>	NAMES
1.Delegate of Russia (and Chairman of the Arctic Council in 2021)	<p><a href="#">BBC webarticle: Russia flexes muscles in challenge for Arctic control</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/russia-coercive-diplomacy-arctic/">https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/russia-coercive-diplomacy-arctic/</a></p>	
2.Delegate of Canada	<p><a href="https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/international_relations-internationales/arctic-arctique/index.aspx?lang=eng">https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/international_relations-internationales/arctic-arctique/index.aspx?lang=eng</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/canada-arctic-ambiguous-relationship/">https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/canada-arctic-ambiguous-relationship/</a></p>	
3.Delegate of Denmark	<p><a href="https://um.dk/en/foreign-policy/the-arctic/">https://um.dk/en/foreign-policy/the-arctic/</a>  <a href="https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/denmark-interests-arctic-greenland-connection/">https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/denmark-interests-arctic-greenland-connection/</a></p>	
4.Delegate of Finland	<p><a href="https://um.fi/arctic-cooperation">https://um.fi/arctic-cooperation</a>  <a href="https://polarconnection.org/how-will-finlands-arctic-strategy-change/">https://polarconnection.org/how-will-finlands-arctic-strategy-change/</a></p>	
5.Delegate of Norway	<p><a href="https://hir.harvard.edu/managing-the-arctic-a-norwegian-perspective/">https://hir.harvard.edu/managing-the-arctic-a-norwegian-perspective/</a></p>	
6.Delegate of Sweden	<p><a href="https://www.government.se/information-material/2020/11/swedens-strategy-for-the-arctic-region-2020/">https://www.government.se/information-material/2020/11/swedens-strategy-for-the-arctic-region-2020/</a></p>	
7.Delegate of the United States	<p><a href="#">BBC webarticle : Alaska, Biden to suspend Trump Arctic drilling</a></p> <p><a href="https://warontherocks.com/2021/05/a-u-s-security-strategy-for-the-arctic/">https://warontherocks.com/2021/05/a-u-s-security-strategy-for-the-arctic/</a></p>	

<p>8- A Delegation of Indigenous people</p>	<p>The new Arctic communities under threat:  <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3ct1gv8">https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3ct1gv8</a>          Make research on          -The Aleut international association          -Russian Association of Indigenous people of the North          -Saami Council          -Inuit circumpolar council          Pour approfondir: participatory mapping:          The Kawerak Inc. (Native organization):  <a href="https://eskimowalruscommission.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/TEK-Mapping.pdf">https://eskimowalruscommission.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/TEK-Mapping.pdf</a>          (see abstract and maps p 4,7 )</p>	
<p>9. An NGO or eco organization</p>	<p><a href="http://www.arcticwwf.org">www..arcticwwf.org</a></p>	
<p>10. A scientific laboratory</p>	<p><a href="https://iasc.info/about/organisation/council">https://iasc.info/about/organisation/council</a>  <a href="http://polarinstitute.com/">http://polarinstitute.com/</a></p>	
<p>11. A mine or energy company</p>	<p><a href="https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/exxonmobil-gains-access-arctic-oil/">https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/exxonmobil-gains-access-arctic-oil/</a></p>	
<p>12. A tourism company</p>	<p><a href="https://www.arctictravelcompany.com/en/about-us">https://www.arctictravelcompany.com/en/about-us</a>   <a href="https://www.aeco.no/">https://www.aeco.no/</a>   <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3ct1gvb">https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3ct1gvb</a></p>	
<p>13.China</p>	<p><a href="https://www.china-arctic.net/">https://www.china-arctic.net/</a>  <a href="https://thediplomat.com/2020/10/why-china-needs-an-arctic-policy-2-0/">https://thediplomat.com/2020/10/why-china-needs-an-arctic-policy-2-0/</a></p>	
<p>14. France</p>	<p><a href="https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/countries/france/">https://www.thearcticinstitute.org/countries/france/</a>  <a href="https://www.highnorthnews.com/en/macrons-twofold-arctic-policy-gain-influence-arctic">https://www.highnorthnews.com/en/macrons-twofold-arctic-policy-gain-influence-arctic</a>  <a href="https://www.euractiv.com/section/sustainable-dev/news/france-wants-to-spearhead-eu-strategy-on-arctic-region/">https://www.euractiv.com/section/sustainable-dev/news/france-wants-to-spearhead-eu-strategy-on-arctic-region/</a></p>	