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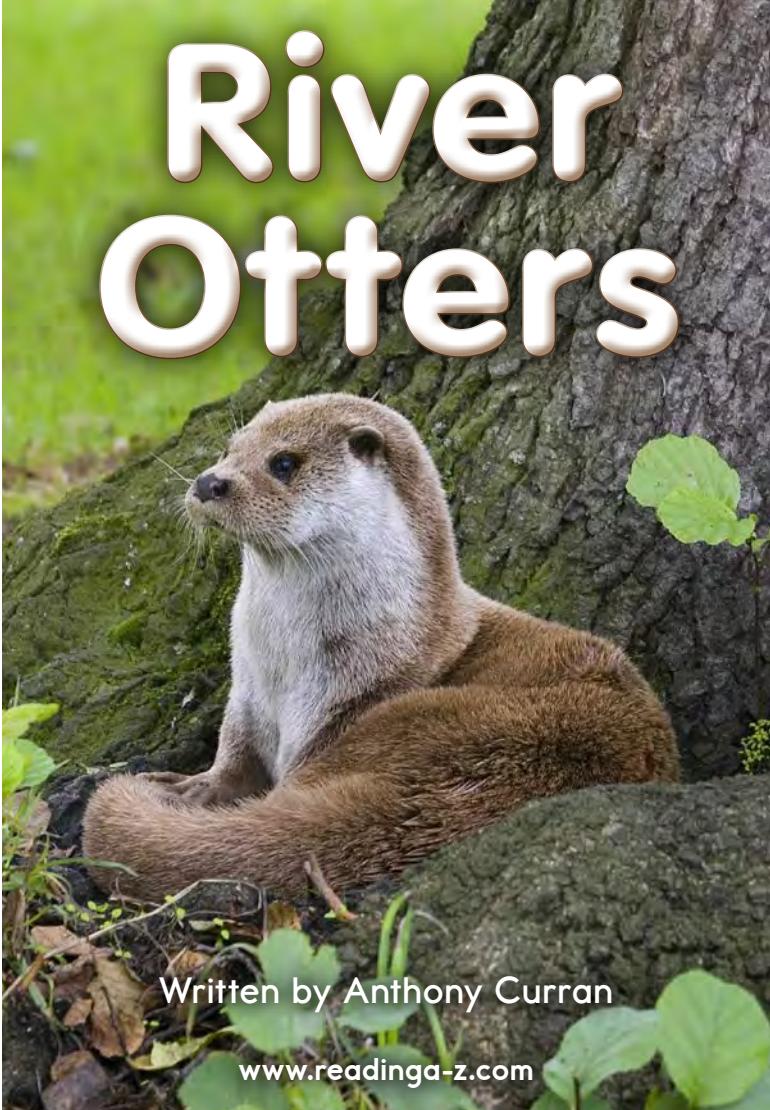
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A close-up photograph of a river otter. The otter is brown with a white patch on its chest and a dark brown tail. It is sitting on a large, mossy tree trunk, looking towards the left. The background is blurred green foliage.

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## Focus Question

What do all river otters have  
in common?



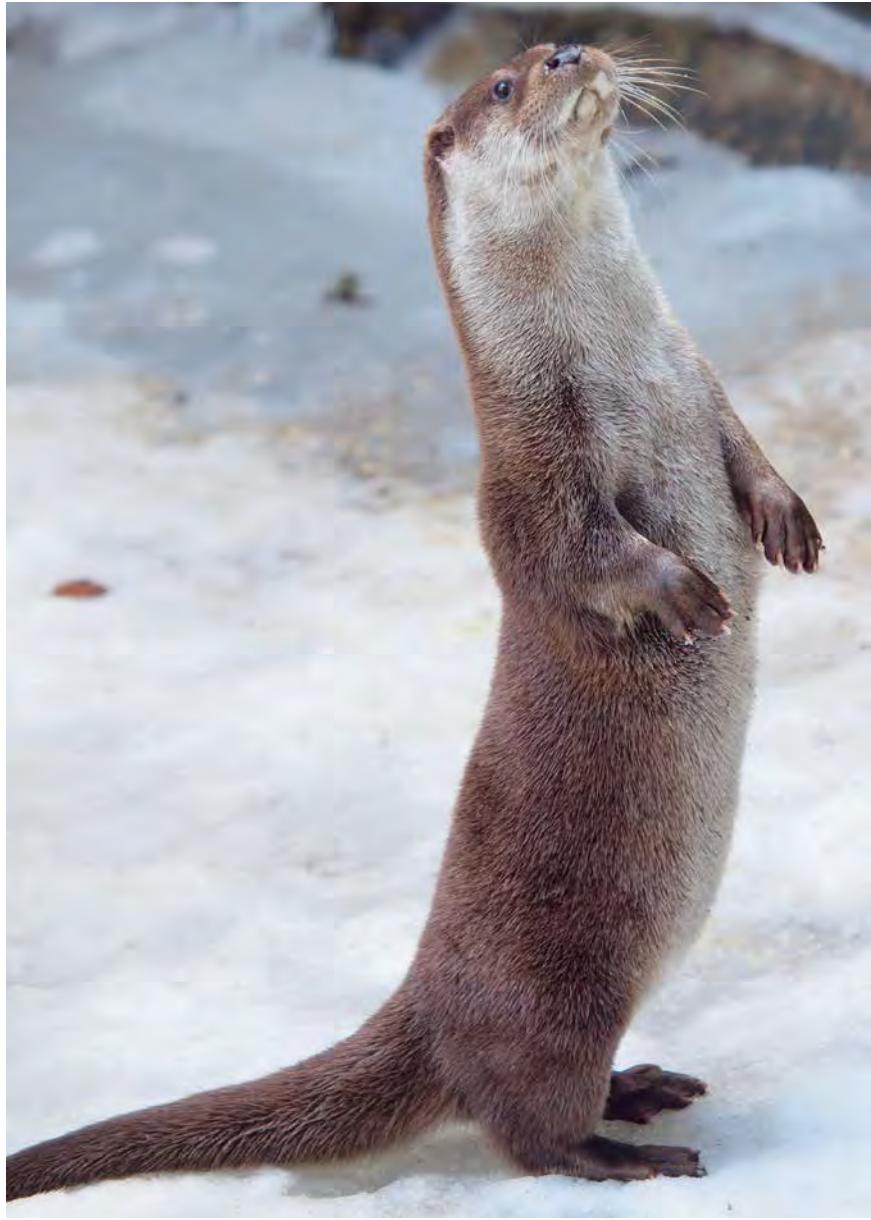
River otters are amazing animals.



All river otters live  
near water.



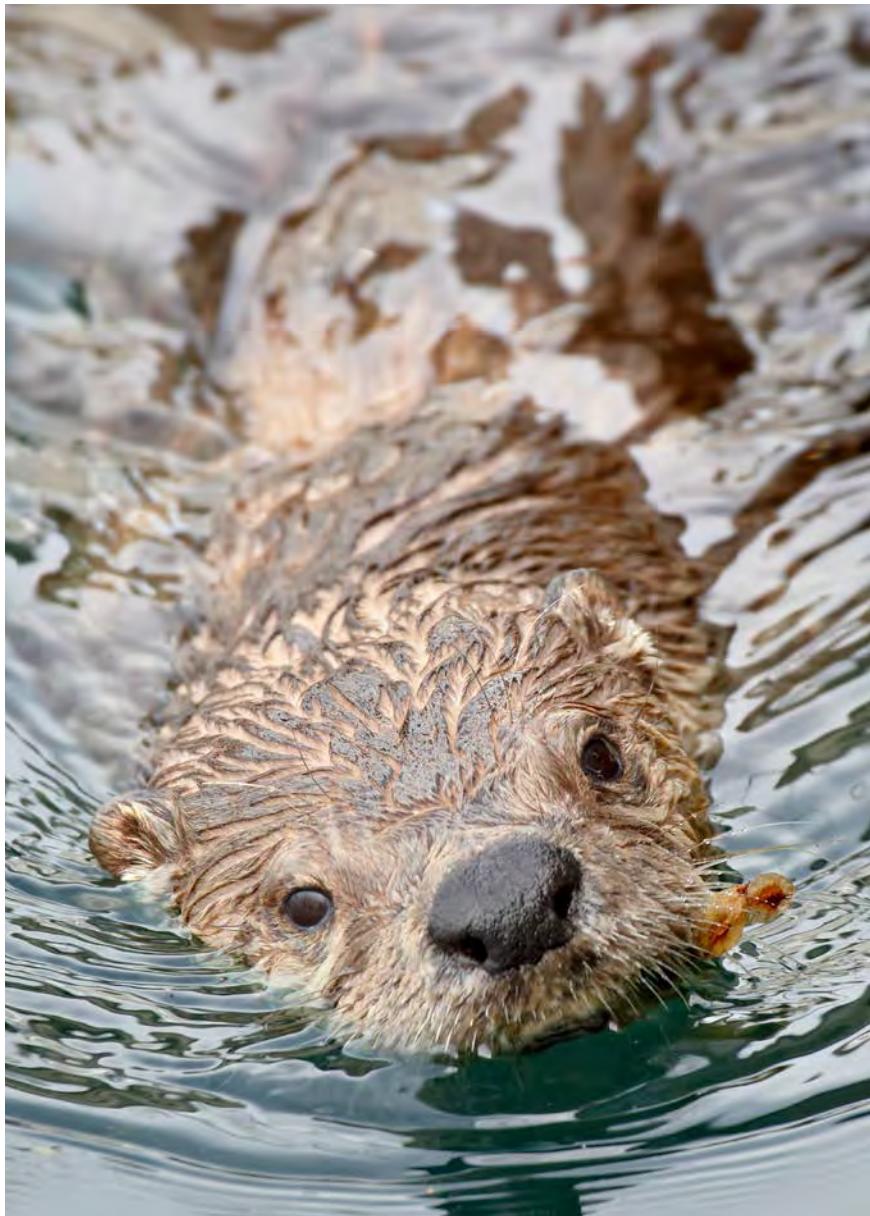
All river otters have  
thin bodies.



All river otters have  
short legs.



All river otters have  
thick fur.



All river otters are good  
at swimming.



All river otters are good  
at holding their breath.



All river otters are good  
at catching food.



All river otters are good  
at playing together.



All river otters are good  
at being river otters.





# Words to Know

amazing

fur

breath

river otters

catching

swimming

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Word Count: 70

## Connections

### Writing

Write an article about river otters for a school newspaper. Include facts from this book in your article.

### Science and Art

Draw a picture of a river otter. Label the parts of its body. Share your picture with a partner.

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