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Where Do Otters Live?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Sea otters live in coastal waters and don't build dens, while river otters live in freshwater and build dens with underwater entrances.
2. Otters keep ecosystems balanced by eating animals like sea urchins and fish, which helps maintain the health of kelp forests and freshwater habitats.
3. Humans can reduce pollution, protect water sources, and preserve natural habitats to help otters thrive.
4. Otters are great swimmers and need water to find food, escape predators, and survive in their environments.

