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## How Do Otters Reproduce?

### Short Answer Key

1. Otters may play and swim together before mating.
2. Female otters give birth in a safe location, like a den or a protected area near water, and sea otters may give birth on the water's surface.
3. Otter pups are born with their eyes closed and rely entirely on their mother for care.
4. Otter mothers teach their young how to swim and hunt for food.
5. Protecting otters and their habitats helps them survive and ensures their populations remain healthy.

