IS IT A SEA OTTER OR A RIVER OTTER?

Sea Otter



Feeds at sea lying on back



Large hind flippers



Mums carrying their pups

✓	Swims and finds food in the sea	✓
	Climbs out on docks and floats	✓
	Lives along coastal shores and is common in the Strait of Georgia	✓
	Eats mainly fish but also some invertebrates	✓
	Typically brings prey ashore to eat	✓
✓	Eats sea urchins, clams, crab and other shellfish	
✓	Eats prey lying on back at sea	
	Dens on land, sometimes under people's houses!	✓
	Has several young in a litter	✓
	Has a long pointy tail	✓
	Swims on its belly	✓
✓	Swims on its back	
✓	Lives at seas. Rarely comes ashore	
✓	Clumsy on land. Hind feet are large flippers	
✓	Gives birth at sea. Carries its single pup on its belly	
	Adult weighs up to 14 kg	✓
✓	Adult weighs 27 to 45 kg (size of a Lab retriever)	

River Otter



Long pointy tail, climbs out on docks



Comes ashore to den and eat prey



Swims on belly