

Activity Sheet



“Peek, Otter!”

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Learn about the adorable river otters as they go about everyday life. See how they teach their young.

Before you read this book:

Love learning about animals? Then this book is for you. Before you read talk about different types of animals. Some animals live in the water, some fly, and some live on land. See if you can find all the places Otters live.

While you read this book:

Otters are a fun and interesting animal to learn about. Using the vocab tree at the beginning of the book point out the vocabulary words as you read the story. As you learn about what otters do and what they look like ask your children to compare themselves to the otters in the story. Example: (The otters eat many things like fish and crabs. Can you name some of the things you eat?)

After you read this book:

- Using the vocab words have your children draw a picture of an otter in action!
- Looking at the back of the book have your children name all the things the otter adults are teaching their otter kids.
- With your kids make your own list with of things that the adults in their lives teach them and some activities they can teach others (how to share, how to be a good friend, etc).

Try this at home:

- Identify the animals around you. Help your children create their own vocabulary list of things the animals around them do and what they look like.
- Using your new vocabulary list, encourage your kids to make their own story about the animal they chose. Don't forget to add pictures!
- Practice describing the world around you. Play a game of I spy using descriptive words.
- Incorporate teaching new skills into your daily routine. Have children make a list of new things they want to learn.

Additional Counting Resources:

Check out these other National Geographic Pre-Readers:

“Hang on, Monkey!”

“Play, Kitty!”

“Jump, Puppy!”

“Dive Dolphin!”

“Hoot, Owl!”