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Key Details

Key details are important facts. Take it out: would you miss it?

A. Read the passage.

Sea Otters

Sea otters live in the cold ocean along the coast of the Pacific Ocean. They have the thickest fur of any animal, which keeps them warm in the cold water.

Sea otters float on their backs. They use rocks as tools to crack open clams and crabs on their bellies. When they sleep, they sometimes hold hands so they don't drift apart.

I think sea otters are very cute. Baby sea otters are called pups.

B. Answer the questions.

1. Where do sea otters live? _____
2. What keeps them warm? _____
3. What do they use to crack open clams? _____
4. Why do they hold hands when they sleep? _____
5. What are baby sea otters called? _____

C. Write K for key detail or E for extra detail.

1. Sea otters have very thick fur. _____
2. I think sea otters are very cute. _____
3. They use rocks as tools. _____
4. They float on their backs. _____
5. My sister likes otters too. _____
6. They eat clams and crabs. _____

D. What is the passage mostly about?

Answer Key

B. Answer the questions.

1. **in the cold Pacific Ocean, along the coast** 2. **their thick fur** 3. **rocks** 4. **so they don't drift apart** 5. **pups**

C. Write K for key detail or E for extra detail.

1. **K** 2. **E** 3. **K** 4. **K** 5. **E** 6. **K**

D. What is the passage mostly about?

Sea otters (how they live, stay warm and eat).