# Main Topic in Paragraphs

Grade 2 Reading Worksheet

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   how sea otters stay warm
   seals that rest on rocky beaches
   the lives of sea otters

2. What is paragraph 2 mostly about?
   how sea otters float while they rest
   how sea otters stay warm in cold water
   where sea otters like to live

3. What is paragraph 4 mostly about?
   how otters clean their own fur
   how a mother otter cares for her pup
   how otters hold paws in a group

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