

## Anticipation Guide

**Directions:** Try to answer these questions based on what you already know about North American River Otters, the Dan River, and Danville. Then, when you're finished reading the story and have explored the *Dan River Twins* website, try again and see how much you've learned!

1. True or False: North American River Otters float on their backs when they swim.
2. What are two kinds of trouble river otter pups could get into?
3. What do these words mean?  
Nocturnal:  
Diurnal:  
Crepuscular:
4. What special thing can river otters' noses and ears do?
5. True or False: North American River Otters can hold their breath for eight minutes under water.
6. What is a fish ladder?
7. True or False: A batteau is a special bat that was used by Danville baseball players during the Civil War.
8. For how long was Danville the capital city of the Confederacy?
9. What are textiles? Name three ways they have affected Danville and the Dan River.
10. What are your experiences with and feelings about the Dan River?