

_____’s *Dan River Twins Journal*

(Before you read the story)

What are your experiences with and feelings about the Dan River?

(After page 4)

Where is the “Big Dam” in Danville? What is its real name? If you have been there or seen it, describe what it’s like.

(After page 8)

What is Danny like? What connections do you have to Danny?

(After page 11)

Write about a situation in your life when someone else has beaten you in a competition. How did you feel?

(After page 13)

Why did Mist's heart sink? How would you have felt if you were Mist? Describe a similar situation in your life.

(After page 17)

What would you have done if your friend went over the falls? Compare this to what Danny and Mist did.

(After page 22)

Describe a time when you were separated from your parents or loved ones. How did you feel?

(After page 25)

How could two-legged creatures be dangerous to river otters? If you were one of those creatures in that situation, what would you do?

(After page 27)

What did Danny's momma mean when she told him, "Think before you act?" Do you usually do this? Describe a time when you have or haven't thought before you acted. What did you learn?

(After page 30)

What is teamwork? How have the otters used teamwork during this story? Can you think of a time when you have used teamwork? What was the result?
