## ACTIVITY ONE: LISTENING, ANSWERING QUESTIONS AND COLOURING IN

This listening, answering questions and colouring-in LANGUAGES activity introduces young learners to water, by way of a very special creature, the otter. It encourages them to discuss and share ways that water is used in their lives.

## **READ THE FOLLOWING STORY TO YOUR CLASS:**

Otters live in and around mountain rivers and quiet freshwater pools. If you are very lucky, you will see them! Most people don't see otters because they are very shy animals. They spend most of their time in or near water, where they play with one another, catch fish and clean their thick fur. They use their paws and nose to catch and eat crabs, fish, frogs, snails and even water-birds. To dry their fur after swimming, they sun themselves on rocks and sandbanks. They can swim under water for a long time by closing their ears and nostrils and they use their paws like flippers. They also use their tails to swim and it makes them sway from side to side in the water.

