









Down by the riverside, under the bracken and moss was an otter holt which was home to a fun-loving family of otters who knew all the other riverside creatures. If you watched carefully, you could see that this family of curious creatures would come and go almost constantly during the day, stopping only when dusk fell and the orchestra of bird song finally finished for the day.

On this particular morning Mr Otter hurriedly grabbed his hat and coat and dashed around the holt getting ready to leave.

"See you later kids," he called out cheerfully as he bounced out the door. He took a moment to brush his glossy, brown fur before he turned his attention to tending to the elegant whiskers, which burst from his small cheeks like tufts of straw. He was a creature who prided himself on his appearance and so this he always stuck to this morning routine.

The other animals on the riverside shared great affection for Mr Otter. His kind, generous, gentle nature meant that he was often the first animal to turn to for those with problems or worries. No problem was too great for this patient individual and on any day his wise words would echo across the riverbed, "Well if I was you...", "Why don't you try..."

	Character Description Checklist	✓ X
	Dialogue (to show what my character is like)	
	Senses See/Hear/Smell/Feel)	
	Strong adjectives	
	Powerful verbs	
	Adverbs	
	Varied punctuation (?!...)	
	Capital letters	
	Full stops	

