



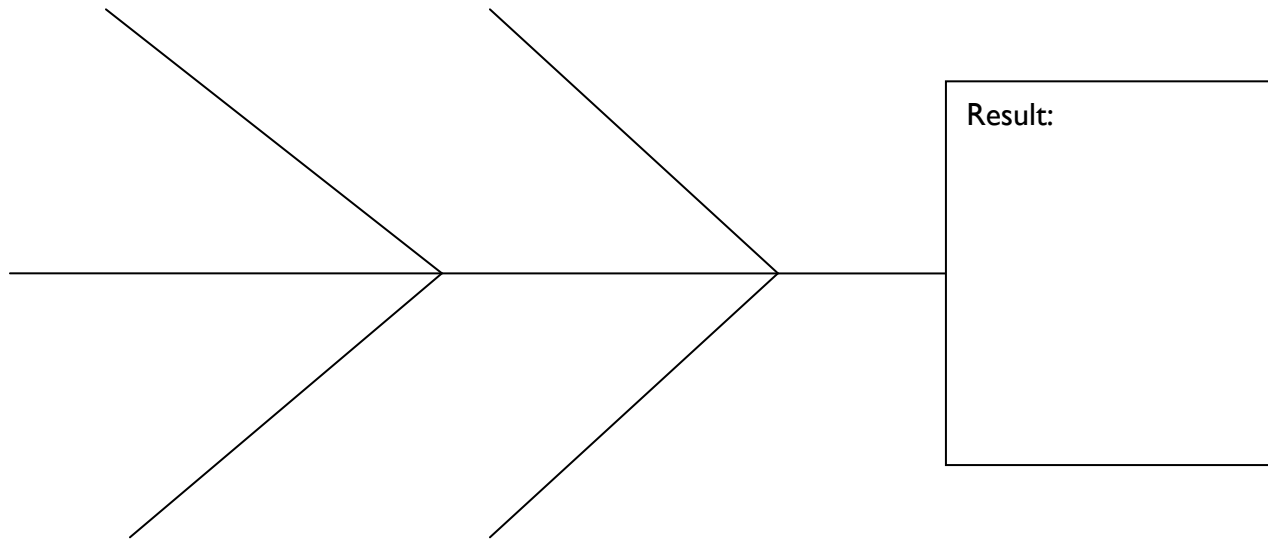
Exit Interview (Student Sheet #3)

Otters, Otters Everywhere



When European settlers arrived in North America river otters were plentiful. By the 1960's the river otter had been extirpated from much of New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia and Virginia. Use the graphic organizer below to explain why this happened and to answer the questions below.

On each diagonal line write a factor that contributed to the loss of the river otter. Add more lines if necessary.



In the table below list contributing factors that led to the decline in river otter population, the cause for each and why it led to challenges in the river otter's survival.



Factor	Origin	Consequence