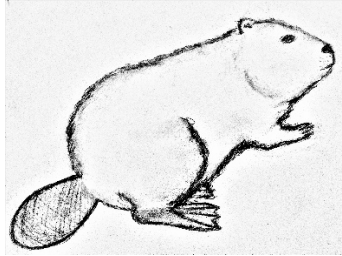
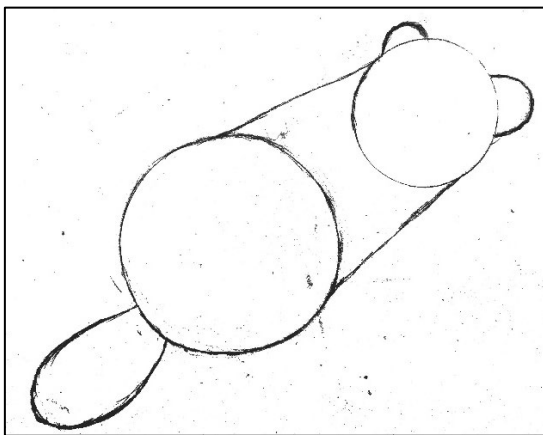
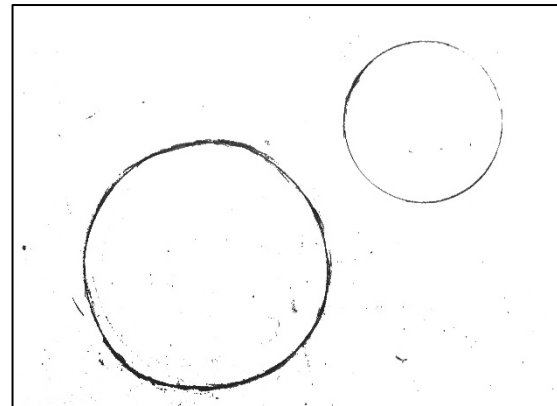


The American Beaver is a common critter in the Ashokan Reservoir watershed.

Follow the steps below to create your own drawing of a beaver!



Step 1: Draw two circles to guide your drawing. One large circle for the body and one smaller circle for the head. Place the smaller circle a little higher than the large one.



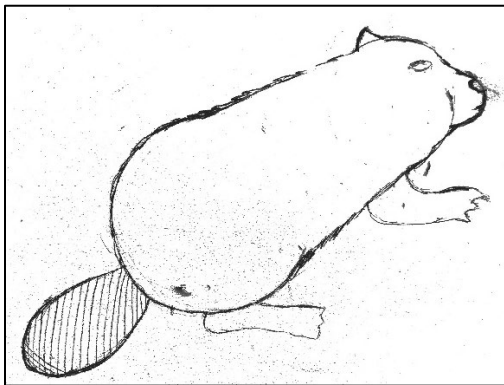
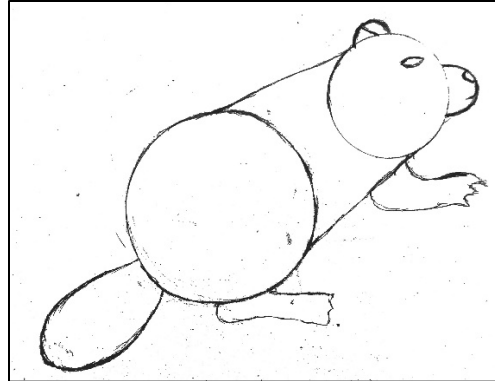
Step 2: Draw two lines to connect your circles. Then draw two small half circles on the small head circle—these will be the guides for you ears and the snout. Finish this step by adding a long oval shape to the bottom of the large circle. This will be the beaver's tail.



Watershed Activity Sheet:

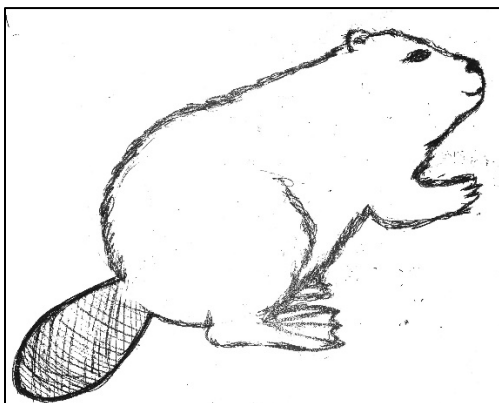
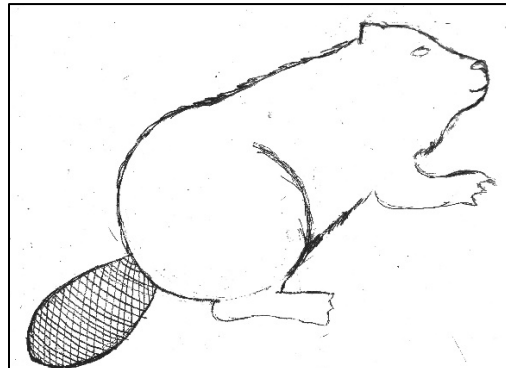
How to Draw a Beaver!

Step 3: Begin to roughly draw in the eye, ear, nose, mouth, hands, and feet.



Step 4: You can now start to erase your guiding lines and smooth out the shape of the head. Show that the beaver is a furry animal by drawing scruffy lines on the outside of the body. Show that the tail is hard and smooth by drawing crisscross lines on it.

Step 5: Continue adding crisscross line to the tail until you cover the whole thing. Now erase the lines that separate the hands and feet from the body. You can also start to add a fuzzy line coming up from the foot to show the shape of the back leg.



Step 6: Shade in the eye, nose, and ear. Finish shaping the hand and foot—remember that the beaver's foot is webbed! Smooth out the shape of the face. Add any details to the head or body that you think make your beaver drawing better. You did it!

