

Beavers are amazing animals that build special homes called **lodges**. These lodges are made from sticks, branches, and mud (which is soft clay and dirt). The beavers stack the sticks tightly and then cover them with mud to make a strong, safe home.

The lodge sits in the water like a little island. This is very important because it helps keep the beavers safe from animals that might want to bother them. The best part is that the entrance to the lodge is **underwater**. This means other animals can't see or reach inside easily. The beavers swim through the underwater door to get inside their cozy home where they stay warm and safe.

So, a beaver's home is like a little house made with sticks and clay, built right in the water, with a hidden underwater door that keeps them protected.