

Names, animals, and meanings (K2)

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This is Sean Whalen (prion).

Kalan. Any species of the genus Calanus (Kalanus) of the family Calanidae (Kalanidae). Red marine copepods of the northern oceans that are a major food source for birds. Copepods are members of Copepoda (Kopepoda, meaning oar foot), a subclass of Crustacea of which many members are parasites of fish. The Calanus species are thus small red marine crustaceans eaten by birds. Also a name for the sea otter (*Enhydra lutris*). The sea otter is adapted to life in water. It has webbed feet. It doesn't have an insulated layer of fat, but can trap air in its fur for warmth. It has a white head and neck. The rest is black. Beautiful fur. Uses rocks to crack the shells of its food. Wraps itself in kelp when it sleeps to keep from drifting away. Thief killed by Auk. Kalan started a fight out of anger (he was crabby) and got killed by a man with a bird's name.

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