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The Role of an Aardvark in the Ecosystem

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Without aardvarks, insect populations could grow too large and damage crops and plants, leading to soil imbalance.
2. Protecting aardvarks ensures they continue to support soil health, plant growth, and insect control.
3. Aardvarks help plant growth by aerating the soil and reducing pests that can harm plants.
4. Other animals that help balance the ecosystem include bees (pollination) and earthworms (soil health).

