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Bass and Their Underwater Relationships

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Why do you think it's important for ecosystems to have mutualistic relationships like the one between bass and cleaner fish?
2. What might happen to a bass if it has too many parasites?
3. Imagine you are a cleaner fish helping a bass. How would you benefit from this relationship?
4. How do relationships like parasitism, commensalism, and mutualism show the importance of balance in nature?