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Bass and Their Underwater Relationships

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Example: Mutualistic relationships help species work together for survival, keeping ecosystems healthy and reducing harm from parasites or overpopulation.
2. Example: If a bass has too many parasites, it might grow weaker, have trouble hunting, or even die.
3. Example: As a cleaner fish, I would benefit by getting an easy meal while helping the bass stay healthy.
4. Example: These relationships show that species depend on each other to survive, keeping nature balanced and healthy.

