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The Graceful Swimmer: How Betta Fish Move

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Betta fish have different fins to help them steer, balance, and move efficiently in the water. Each fin plays a specific role in their swimming.
2. Their swimming skills, like quick darting movements and graceful gliding, help them catch food, escape predators, and thrive in shallow water habitats.
3. The most interesting part of how Betta fish move is their ability to "dance" in zigzags, showing off their beautiful fins as part of their communication.
4. To design an aquarium for a Betta fish, I would include space for swimming, plants for hiding, and decorations to explore, which mimic their natural habitat.

