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Daily Habits of Catfish

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Catfish hide during the day to avoid predators and conserve energy, as their active hunting happens at night when it's safer.
2. Being nocturnal or crepuscular helps catfish avoid predators that hunt during the day and gives them an advantage in finding food in the dark.
3. Challenges catfish might face when hunting at night include difficulty finding food in very dark water or competing with other nocturnal animals.
4. A scientist studying catfish behavior might want to learn more about how their barbels detect food or how their habits change in different environments to better understand their survival strategies.

