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Meet the Clownfish: Nature's Tiny Performer

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Bright colors might help clownfish warn predators or attract mates. It also helps them stand out in their coral reef habitat.
2. The sea anemone protects the clownfish from predators, while the clownfish cleans the anemone and scares away harmful fish.
3. (Example response) My clownfish would be blue with golden stripes to make it look like the sky and sun. This would help it blend into the water while still looking unique.
4. The slime protects clownfish from getting stung by the anemone. Without it, they wouldn't have a safe home and might get eaten by predators.

