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The Role of Komodo Dragons in the Ecosystem

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Apex predators help keep prey populations balanced and prevent overgrazing.
2. Without Komodo dragons, prey populations might grow too large, harming plants and other species.
3. People can help by protecting natural habitats and reducing deforestation.
4. Hunting controls prey numbers while scavenging cleans up the environment and recycles nutrients.

