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Understanding the Threats to Ocean Ecosystems and Biodiversity

Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Discuss the interconnectedness of the various threats to ocean ecosystems and how addressing one threat can have positive ripple effects on others.
2. Imagine you are a marine biologist. Describe a research project you would undertake to address one of the threats to ocean biodiversity discussed in this passage.
3. Explore the importance of marine protected areas (MPAs) in conserving ocean biodiversity and mitigating human threats. Provide examples of MPAs and their impacts.
4. What can individuals and communities do to contribute to the preservation of ocean ecosystems and biodiversity? Provide concrete examples and explain their significance.

