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Whisker Wellness: A Guide to Feeding Your Feline Friend

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. It's important for cat food to list meat, poultry, or fish as the primary ingredient because cats are obligate carnivores and require a diet high in animal protein to meet their nutritional needs.
2. Besides providing clean water in a shallow bowl, other ways to encourage cats to drink more water include adding water to wet food, using a cat fountain, or offering ice cubes for them to play with and lick.
3. A cat's age, weight, and activity level can influence the amount of food they need. For example, older cats may require fewer calories, while younger, more active cats may need more to fuel their energy levels.
4. One method for establishing a feeding schedule for cats is to feed them at the same times each day, such as morning and evening, and to remove any uneaten food after a set period to prevent overeating.

