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Sharks: Friends or Foes?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Sharks play a crucial role in maintaining the balance of ocean ecosystems by controlling populations of other marine animals.
2. Shark attacks on humans are rare because sharks are not typically interested in humans as prey and usually mistake them for other marine animals.
3. Overfishing, pollution, and habitat destruction are some human activities that threaten shark populations.
4. Individuals can contribute to shark conservation efforts by supporting sustainable fishing practices, reducing pollution, and advocating for the protection of shark habitats.

