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How Do Giraffes Reproduce?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Giraffes have a long gestation period because the calf needs to develop fully before being born due to their size and need for strength.
2. Staying in groups helps provide safety and allows multiple adults to watch for predators.
3. Giraffes face challenges like habitat loss and poaching. People can help by supporting conservation projects and protecting natural habitats.
4. As a giraffe calf, I would spend my first day staying close to my mother, learning to stand, and nursing for strength.

