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## Amphibian Abodes: Exploring the Habitats of Frogs, Toads, and More

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Pollution can harm amphibian habitats by contaminating water sources and damaging vegetation. To mitigate this impact, efforts can be made to reduce pollution, regulate waste disposal, and restore damaged habitats.
2. Preserving natural habitats is important for amphibian survival because it maintains their access to suitable environments for breeding, feeding, and shelter. Habitat preservation also helps maintain biodiversity and ecosystem balance.
3. Humans can create or improve habitats for amphibians in urban areas by constructing artificial ponds, planting native vegetation, and minimizing pesticide use in parks and gardens.
4. Amphibians play roles as predators by consuming insects and other small invertebrates, and as prey for larger predators such as birds, snakes, and mammals.

