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## Hedgehogs' Daily Habits and Behaviors

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Being nocturnal helps hedgehogs stay safe by avoiding daytime predators and finding food in the quiet nighttime hours.
2. Being solitary helps hedgehogs avoid conflicts with other animals and reduces competition for food.
3. Hedgehogs protect themselves by curling into a ball, hiding their soft parts, and exposing their sharp spines.
4. To care for a pet hedgehog, provide a safe, warm habitat, proper food, and gentle handling to help it feel comfortable.

