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The Hippopotamus: An Ecosystem Helper

Multiple Choice Questions

1. What is one way hippos help keep rivers and lakes healthy?
 - a) By hunting fish
 - b) By staying on land all the time
 - c) By eating plants in the water
 - d) By creating pathways in the water

2. How do hippos add nutrients to the water?
 - a) By eating plants
 - b) By swimming around
 - c) By releasing waste in the water
 - d) By drinking a lot of water

3. What animals might prey on young or sick hippos?
 - a) Crocodiles and lions
 - b) Giraffes and zebras
 - c) Elephants and rhinos
 - d) Monkeys and birds

4. Why do hippos graze on grass at night?
 - a) To avoid predators
 - b) To stay cool
 - c) Because they can see better at night
 - d) To keep the grass short

5. Why is protecting hippos important?
 - a) They help keep their habitats healthy
 - b) They scare other animals away
 - c) They eat dangerous plants
 - d) They help keep lakes dry

