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What Does a Koi Look Like?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Many people think koi fish are beautiful because of their bright colors, unique patterns, and graceful movements.
2. (Example response) My koi fish would be gold and purple with star-shaped patterns because it would look magical and unique in a pond.
3. The shiny scales help koi fish stand out and might scare away predators, while the barbels help them find food in muddy or dark water.
4. (Example response) Taking care of koi fish would be fun because you could watch them swim, but it might also be a lot of work to keep their pond clean and big enough.

