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The Life Cycle of a Lionfish

Short Answer Key

1. After lionfish eggs are released, they float on the ocean's surface and hatch after about two days.
2. Lionfish larvae eat microscopic plankton during the larval stage.
3. Juvenile lionfish survive by hunting small fish and shrimp while avoiding predators.
4. Lionfish develop their venomous spines during the juvenile stage.
5. No, lionfish parents do not care for their young. They leave the eggs and larvae to survive on their own.