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Protists Unveiled: Exploring Their Natural Abodes

Short Answer Key

1. Protists can be found in freshwater ponds, marine environments, soil, etc.
2. Soil protists contribute to nutrient cycling by breaking down organic matter and releasing nutrients for plant growth.
3. Examples of protists found in marine environments include diatoms, dinoflagellates, and planktonic protozoa.
4. Symbiotic relationships between protists and plants can occur in the roots of plants, where protists aid in nutrient uptake.
5. Protists can survive in extreme environments such as hot springs, polar regions, and deep-sea hydrothermal vents.

