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Perennial Plights: Dealing with Pests and Diseases in Your Garden

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Which insect feeds on the tender shoots and leaves of perennial plants?
 - A) Ladybug
 - B) Spider mite
 - C) Aphid
 - D) Lacewing

2. How can gardeners deter spider mites?
 - A) Increase humidity and use predatory insects
 - B) Apply fungicidal sprays and practice good garden hygiene
 - C) Remove infected plants and dispose of them properly
 - D) Regularly hose down foliage and use neem oil sprays

3. What is a common symptom of powdery mildew on perennial plants?
 - A) Dark lesions on foliage
 - B) Fine webbing on leaves
 - C) Yellowing and distortion of foliage
 - D) White powdery coating on leaves and stems

4. How can gardeners prevent root rot in perennial plants?
 - A) Overwater plants to keep soil moist
 - B) Space plants closely together for better air circulation
 - C) Amend heavy soils with organic matter and avoid overwatering
 - D) Apply predatory insects for biological control

5. What is a recommended strategy for preventing the spread of viral diseases in perennial plants?
 - A) Apply fungicidal sprays regularly
 - B) Practice good garden hygiene and promptly remove infected plants
 - C) Increase humidity around plants to deter disease spread
 - D) Use insecticidal soaps to control viral vectors

