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What Is a Raccoon's Life Cycle Like?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Raccoons spend so much time learning from their mother because they need to develop survival skills, such as finding food and avoiding predators.
2. In the wild, raccoons face more dangers and have to find food, while in captivity they are safer and have their needs met by humans.
3. Answers will vary. Example: "The most important skill a raccoon learns is finding food because it is essential for survival."
4. Answers will vary. Example: "I would find the stage when kits learn to climb trees most interesting because it shows how they develop their abilities and become independent."

