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## Do Lions Form Relationships with Other Species?

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Lions are apex predators, so they don't need many symbiotic relationships to survive.
2. Parasites can weaken lions, making them less effective hunters and more vulnerable.
3. Scavengers help clean the environment by consuming leftover food, preventing waste.
4. Understanding relationships helps scientists protect species and balance ecosystems.

