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How Does a Squirrel Communicate?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Squirrels use different methods to communicate because it helps them share information in various situations, like warning about predators or claiming territory.
2. Sounds and body language allow squirrels to quickly alert others of danger and help them respond in time to avoid predators.
3. Deceptive caching helps squirrels protect their food by confusing animals that might try to steal it, ensuring the squirrel has enough to eat later.
4. Without communication, squirrels would have a harder time warning each other about predators, protecting their food, or finding mates, which could affect their survival.

