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Wolves: Guardians of the Ecosystem

Short Answer Key

1. Wolves prevent overgrazing by hunting prey like deer and elk, keeping their populations in check.
2. Ravens and foxes are two scavengers that benefit from wolves' hunting activities.
3. Reintroducing wolves to Yellowstone allowed plants to regrow, stabilized riverbanks, and created habitats for other species.
4. Wolves support biodiversity by keeping prey populations in balance, which helps plants, smaller animals, and scavengers thrive.
5. Wolves face threats like habitat loss and human hunting.

