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How Does a Worm Reproduce?

Short Answer Key

1. The clitellum is a thick band on a worm's body that creates the cocoon for fertilized eggs.
2. A single cocoon can contain 2 to 20 baby worms.
3. Worms don't take care of their young because the hatchlings are independent and able to survive on their own.
4. Warm, moist soil helps worm eggs hatch faster.
5. Worm reproduction helps the environment by creating more worms that improve soil quality through their burrowing and nutrient recycling.