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Worm Predators and Threats

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Protecting worms and their habitats is important because worms help maintain healthy soil and ecosystems, supporting plant life and other organisms.
2. Worms' behaviors, like burrowing and sensing vibrations, help them avoid predators and survive environmental changes, ensuring they can continue their role in the ecosystem.
3. If worms' population decreased, soil quality might decline, affecting plant growth and the animals that depend on plants for food, disrupting entire ecosystems.
4. Humans can help reduce threats to worms by using fewer pesticides, preserving natural habitats, and planting native plants that support soil health.

