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## The Circle of Life: How Zebras Reproduce

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Zebra reproductive behaviors, like living in herds and protecting young, ensure that foals survive and grow into adults, helping the species thrive.
2. Zebras usually have one foal at a time because it allows the mother to focus on raising and protecting the foal, which increases its chances of survival.
3. If a zebra foal didn't stay close to its mother, it might get lost in the herd or become vulnerable to predators.
4. The bond between a zebra mother and her foal strengthens the herd by ensuring that young zebras grow up strong and healthy, contributing to the group's safety and survival.

