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## The Role of Zebras in the Ecosystem

### Short Answer Key

1. When zebras graze on tall grass, they prevent overgrowth and make space for new plants to grow.
2. Zebras help spread seeds by carrying them in their fur or droppings as they move around.
3. Lions and hyenas are two predators that eat zebras.
4. Zebras are called "nature's lawnmowers" because they graze on grass and keep the grasslands in balance.
5. Birds benefit from zebras by eating insects stirred up as zebras move through the grass.

