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Exit Slip: Central Idea Answer Key

Sample Central Idea Sentence:

Coral reefs are vital ecosystems that support marine life and human communities but face serious threats that require protection.

Teacher Notes / Guide

- Good answers should mention both **importance** (biodiversity, protection, human reliance) and **threats/need for protection**.
- Incorrect answers often focus only on one aspect, like “coral reefs have fish” - teachers can highlight that the central idea must cover the *whole passage*.
- Exit slips are best used as **quick comprehension checks** at the end of a lesson or reading activity.