**Sinkhole Emergency Post-Assessment Answer Key**

Use the space below to answer the question. Make sure you use complete sentences and write a paragraph.

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| **Why is it important to stabilize sinkholes as soon as possible?** |
| Possible student response:Some sinkholes are not dangerous and can be left alone. Others pose a threat to people, animals, buildings,and roads. Once an engineer decides a sinkhole is dangerous, they have to act quick to stop it from spreading. They can fix a sinkhole in many different ways, depending on the progress of it. If it is caughtearly enough, less extreme methods are able to be used and sometimes be able to stop it before it fully forms. This makes the engineers jobs less difficult, prevents possible damage, and has less of an impacton people’s lives. |