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Caterpillars in Danger: Predators and Threats

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Example: Caterpillars face many dangers because they are small, slow, and a food source for many predators. Their soft bodies also make them vulnerable to weather and diseases.
2. Example: Camouflage helps caterpillars hide from predators by making them look like leaves, sticks, or other parts of their environment.
3. Example: If I were a caterpillar, I would use camouflage to hide, stay in safe spots like under leaves, and curl up if I felt threatened.
4. Example: People could protect caterpillars by planting more native plants, reducing pesticide use, and protecting natural habitats like forests and meadows.

