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The Reproductive Life of Cockroaches

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Cockroaches have survived for millions of years because they reproduce quickly, adapt well to different environments, and can eat almost anything.
2. The ootheca helps cockroaches survive by keeping the eggs safe from predators, bad weather, and damage.
3. If cockroaches cared for their young, they might produce fewer eggs, but their young might have a better chance of survival.
4. If cockroaches could not produce as many eggs, their population would grow more slowly, and they might not survive as well in harsh environments.

