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## The Amazing Life Cycle of a Cockroach

### Short Answer Key

1. Cockroach eggs are protected inside a hard egg case called an ootheca.
2. Nymphs grow larger by molting, or shedding their outer shell, multiple times.
3. During molting, cockroaches shed their exoskeleton to grow larger and develop more adult-like features.
4. Cockroach eggs usually hatch after about one month.
5. The cockroach's life cycle allows for quick reproduction, helping the species survive in many environments.

