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## Dragonflies: Nature's Skilled Hunters

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. A dragonfly's eyesight allows it to spot prey from far away and see almost all around it, making it very effective at hunting.
2. Without dragonflies, mosquito and pest populations might grow out of control, which could lead to more diseases and discomfort for humans and animals.
3. Adult dragonflies hunt in the air by using their legs to trap insects, while nymphs hunt underwater using their special jaws to grab small creatures.
4. An ideal answer might describe a dragonfly spotting an insect with its large eyes, darting through the air to catch it, and using its legs to hold the prey tightly before eating it.

