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Dragonflies and Their Relationships with Other Species

Short Answer Key

1. Dragonflies help humans by eating pests like mosquitoes and flies.
2. Water mites are parasites that attach to dragonfly nymphs, weakening them and making it harder for them to survive.
3. Birds and frogs are two predators of dragonflies.
4. Commensalism is when one species benefits, and the other isn't affected. Some small insects may follow dragonflies to catch prey stirred up during flight.
5. Dragonflies are important in the food chain because they control pest populations and serve as food for birds, frogs, and other animals.

