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Fireflies: A Closer Look at These Glowing Beetles

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Fireflies' dark colors and markings help them blend into their surroundings, protecting them from predators.
2. Scientists can use flashing patterns to identify firefly species and learn about their behaviors.
3. Fireflies are small beetles with glowing bodies, thin legs, and long antennae. Their lights flash in magical patterns!
4. Fireflies are special because they produce their own light, which no other common insect can do.

