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What's on the Menu for a Housefly?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Houseflies find food quickly because they have a strong sense of smell and can detect scents from far away using their antennae.
2. Houseflies are helpful because they recycle nutrients by eating decaying matter, but they can be harmful because they spread germs when landing on food.
3. A scientist might want to learn how houseflies digest food or how they find specific types of food in different environments.
4. To reduce houseflies, people could cover food, clean up garbage, and seal compost bins.

