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How Do Houseflies Multiply?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Houseflies lay their eggs in organic matter because it provides food for the maggots as they grow.
2. The short gestation period allows houseflies to reproduce quickly, helping them maintain large populations.
3. If houseflies cared for their young, their population growth might slow down because they would invest more time and energy in fewer offspring.
4. Houseflies face challenges like predators, lack of food, and unfavorable weather conditions during their lifecycle.

