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Mosquito Predators and Perils

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. (Example response) So many animals eat mosquitoes because they are small, plentiful, and easy to catch, making them a great food source.
2. (Example response) If droughts reduce mosquito populations, animals like birds and frogs might have less food to eat, which could affect their survival.
3. (Example response) If mosquitoes disappeared, animals that eat them might struggle to find enough food, which could affect the whole food chain.
4. (Example response) Using environmentally safe methods like traps or bacteria that kill mosquito larvae might be the most effective way to control mosquito populations without harming other animals.

