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## The Life Cycle of a Praying Mantis

### Open-Ended Response Questions

1. Why is the ootheca important for the survival of praying mantis eggs?
2. How does the process of molting help nymphs grow?
3. Imagine you are a nymph that has just hatched. What challenges might you face, and how would you overcome them?
4. Why do you think praying mantises have such a short lifespan, and how does this affect their role in the ecosystem?

