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The Stick Insect's Disguise

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Stick insects are considered masters of disguise because their body shape and color make them look like twigs or branches, helping them avoid predators.
2. Regeneration allows stick insects to escape predators and survive injuries, giving them a better chance to live and reproduce.
3. As a stick insect, I would stay still on a branch to blend in, and if a predator came close, I might drop a leg to escape or use my wings to scare them away.
4. Some stick insects use wings to startle predators because it confuses the predator and gives the insect time to escape without flying far.

