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The Role of Stick Insects in the Ecosystem

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Stick insects are an important part of the food chain because they provide food for predators like birds and lizards, supporting the balance of the ecosystem.
2. Seed dispersal by stick insects helps new plants grow, which provides more food and shelter for other animals in the ecosystem.
3. As a scientist, I would find it fascinating to study how stick insects' camouflage helps them survive and inspires new inventions.
4. Habitat loss reduces the places where stick insects can live and find food, which can disrupt the balance of the ecosystem and affect other animals and plants.

