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How Do Stick Insects Move?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Slow and careful movements help stick insects blend in with their surroundings and avoid predators by making them less noticeable.
2. Mimicking a twig helps stick insects survive by tricking predators into thinking they are part of a plant rather than food.
3. As a stick insect, I would use my legs to climb branches carefully and sway as I move to look like part of the tree. If I had wings, I might glide to another branch if a predator got too close.
4. Stick insects are unique because their movements are slow and deliberate, and they use swaying and camouflage instead of speed or strength to survive.

