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## Stick Insects and Their Relationships with Other Species

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. The relationships between stick insects and other species highlight how all organisms, even those that don't directly interact, are connected in an ecosystem.
2. Hiding in trees and bushes is important for stick insects because it keeps them safe from predators while allowing them to rest and blend into their environment.
3. As a stick insect, I would use my camouflage to hide from predators and avoid areas where parasitic wasps might attack my eggs.
4. If stick insects disappeared, plants might lose a helper for seed spreading, and predators that eat stick insects would have less food, affecting the entire ecosystem.

