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What Does a Termite Look Like?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Termites have different body types for different jobs because it allows them to work as a team and fulfill specific roles, like defending the colony or gathering food.
2. Features like strong jaws, straight antennae, and the ability to digest wood help termites survive in their environment by finding food, building homes, and protecting the colony.
3. Digesting cellulose allows termites to turn wood into food, making them essential for breaking down dead trees and recycling nutrients in the environment.
4. Recognizing termites can help humans identify infestations early and take steps to protect wooden structures from damage.

