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## What Does a Walking Leaf Eat?

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Walking leaves may eat at night because it's safer to feed when fewer predators are active, reducing their chances of being spotted.
2. Their diet of leaves keeps them close to the plants they mimic, making it easier to blend into their environment and stay safe.
3. If walking leaves stopped eating leaves, certain plants might overgrow, and the balance of the forest ecosystem could be disrupted.
4. By eating leaves and enriching the soil, walking leaves help plants grow, which supports other animals and insects in the forest.

