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The Walking Leaf: Nature's Hidden Helper

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. As herbivores, walking leaves manage plant growth, and as prey, they provide food for other animals, helping maintain the food chain.
2. Walking leaves help keep forests healthy by recycling nutrients into the soil and supporting plant and animal life.
3. Nutrient recycling benefits plants by giving them the nutrients they need to grow, which in turn provides food and shelter for other animals.
4. The walking leaf teaches us that even small creatures play a significant role in keeping ecosystems balanced and thriving.

