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The predator might think that the skunk is strange and scary so it might choose to stay away from the skunk.



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Pupils' own responses, such as: No, I don't think that I would go near a skunk in the future because I do not want to risk it misting a stinky liquid!