Mark schemes – Biology Unit 7 homework

Q1.	(a) •	any two pairs from: light (intensity) more light means more / faster photosynthesis / glucose	1
	•	temperature higher temperature more / faster photosynthesis	1 1 1
	•	water right amount for transpiration / cell function / photosynthesis	
	•	soil pH / ions needed for healthy growth <i>ignore 'growth' unqualified</i> <i>ignore carbon dioxide and oxygen</i>	
(b)	hand	dlens	1
	moth	n guide	1
(C)	any • •	one from: can work gently and not disturb moths moths might fly away outside	1
(d)	any • •	one from: damage to eyes (from UV / bright light) burns from hot lamp diseases / pathogens from wild organisms	1
(e)	any • •	one from: wear sunglasses or eye protection wear gloves or allow lamp to cool. wear gloves or wash hands after handling moths <i>answer must relate to hazard</i>	
(f)	bristle	es / hairs make it unpleasant to eat	1
	or		
	brigh	nt colour acts as warning to predators (that it is poisonous)	

2)				
Level 3: Relevant adaptations are identified, given in detail and logically linked to form a clear account.	5-6			
Level 2: Relevant adaptations are identified, and there are attempts at logical linking. The resulting account is not fully clear	3-4			
Level 1: Adaptations are identified and stated simply, but their relevance is not clear and there is no attempt at logical linking.	1-2			
No relevant content	0			
Indicative content				
 a small SA:V ratio means less thermal energy transferred to surroundings 				
thick fur				
or hollow hair shafts				
 traps a layer of air which acts as an insulating layer stopping transfer of thermal energy 				
a layer of fat or blubber under the skinacts as an insulating layer				
or as a food store for respiration when food is in short supply				
 small ears reduces surface area for thermal energy transfer 				
 white colour camouflage in the snow so prey do not see them coming and they get more to eat 				
or so predators do not see them and they can escape				
 large feet to spread weight over snow so they can run faster 				
hibernate in winterto conserve energy stores				
allow 'heat loss' for transfer of thermal energy				

3) (a) (placed) randomly allow description of placement sufficient number (of quadrats) used count (dandelions) in each quadrat 1

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use mean number of dandelions, area of quadrat and area of field to estimate population

accept (area of field / area quadrat) × mean number of dandelions per quadrat

(40 × 145) / 0.25 = 23 200			
(0.42 × 23 200 =) 9744 allow 9744 with no working shown for 2 marks allow ecf from correct attempt at the previous step) × 0.42 for 1 mark	1		

(c) Level 2 (3–4 marks):

A detailed and coherent explanation is given. Logical links between clearly identified relevant points are made to explain why dandelion growth may be limited.

Level 1 (1–2 marks):

Discrete relevant points are made. The logic may be unclear.

0 marks:

No relevant content

Indicative content

factors that may be considered:

competition for resources including:

- light
- water
- space
- mineral ions (allow nutrients / salts / ions from the soil)

reference to why growth may be limited:

- (light) energy for photosynthesis
- water as a raw material for photosynthesis / support
- surface area exposed to light
- sugar / glucose produced in photosynthesis
- (space) to grow bigger
- (space) for growth of root system
- (mineral ions) for growth
- (mineral ions / sugar) for production of larger molecules or named example

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4) (a)	the variety of different species on Earth	1
(b)	carbon dioxide	1
	Methane	
	Water vapour	1
(c)	any two from:	

- droughtflooding
- temperature change
 - allow temperature increase or decrease
- rainfall change
 - allow rainfall increase or decrease

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