

Reading Question 1 - Opportunists and Competitors

1. D - waste
2. C - energy
3. B - comparing the scientific concept to a familiar human experience
4. B - the way in which the organism invests its energy resources
5. C - distribution
6. A - Because their seeds grow in places where competing plants are no longer present, dandelions are classified as opportunists.
7. A - huge
8. D - the large number of acorns the tree produces
9. B - they spend more energy on their leaves, trunks and roots than on their acorns
10. D - have some characteristics of opportunists and some of competitors
11. Insert text at square number 3 (C)
- 12.

Table Answer Key	
1	Vary frequently the amount of energy they spend in body maintenance <i>Not used</i>
2	Have mechanisms for protecting themselves from predation <i>Answer: Competitors</i>
3	Succeed in locations where other organisms have been removed <i>Answer: Opportunist</i>
4	Have relatively short life spans <i>Answer: Opportunist</i>
5	Invest energy in the growth of large, strong structures <i>Answer: Competitors</i>
6	Have populations that are unstable in response to climate conditions <i>Answer: Opportunist</i>
7	Can rarely find suitable soil for reproduction <i>Not used</i>
8	Produce individuals that can withstand changes in the environmental conditions <i>Answer: Competitors</i>
9	Reproduce in large numbers <i>Answer: Opportunist</i>