## Assessment Schedule - 2013

# Biology: Demonstrate understanding of biological ideas relating to the life cycle of flowering plants (90928)

## **Evidence Statement**

ONE	NØ	N1	N2	A3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8
	No response/no relevant evidence.	ONE idea given.	TWO ideas given.	THREE ideas given.	FOUR ideas given.	Explains how the structure of pollen in wind-pollinated plants OR insect-pollinated plants, are linked to its method of pollination OR How the flowers differ between wind-pollinated plants and insect-pollinated plants.	Explains how the structure of pollen in wind-pollinated AND insect-pollinated plants are linked to their method of pollination AND How one of the flowers is suited to its method of pollination.	Compares the structures of the pollen in both the wind- and insect-pollinated plants  OR  Compares the structures of the flower in both the wind- and insect-pollinated plants	Compares the structures of the pollen AND flower in both the windand insect-pollinated plants  At least TWO comparisons for each structure (Flower AND Pollen).
	Pollination is the tra within the same flower		from the anther o	of one flower to	another (or				
	Wind-pollinated pla	ants' pollen is:							
	<ul><li> light</li><li> produce a large amo</li></ul>	ount of pollen.	• smal						
	Insect-pollinated plan	ts' pollen is:	·						
	<ul><li>rough</li><li>do not produce as n pollinated plants.</li></ul>	nuch pollen as w	_	<ul><li>large</li><li>heavy.</li></ul>		Need to link structure	e to function		
	Wind-pollinated flow	ers' pollen is:				Eg:  • Insect pollenated flowers pollen is rough so it is able to stick to the insects' hair/fur.  • Wind pollenated flowers pollen is light and smooth to be able to be carried by the			
	dull in colour     have a no scent	• have	<ul> <li>small petals</li> <li>have the anthers and stigma exposed outside of the flower.</li> </ul>		wind currents.  NB. Must link the transfer of pollen to a structure on the Flower that is related to its method of dispersal.				
	• produced in larger a	СХР	osed outside of t	ne nower.	Eg: Pollen from insect-po	allinated plants is	Eg: Pollen from wind-pollinated plants is		
	Insect-pollinated plan	ts:				rough so that they can stick on to the insect's body and be transferred to the			nall compared to the nts pollen, which is
	<ul><li>have stigma and and petals</li><li>release scent.</li></ul>	thers enclosed by	·	large petals		species.	ticky stigma of a flower of the same		large, rough, and heavy. This is because as the insect crawls to get the nectar, it brushes past the anther and the rough

contained with the petals and the rough pollen sticks to its body/is put in pollen sacs.

The insect-pollenated flowers are brightly coloured, large and scented to attract pollinators.

Pollen from a wind-pollinated plant is light and small so that it can be carried by the wind currents to another flowers stigma of the same species.

The Stigma is feather and has a large surface area so that it can catch the pollen carried by the wind.

The Anthers are droopy and exposed to the wind currents so it can transport the pollen to other plants.

Wind-pollinated flowers are dull and have little or no scent.

pollen sticks to the insect's body and is then transferred to the sticky stigma of the flower of the same species of plant as the insect searches for nectar. The smooth light pollen is designed to be picked up and carried by the wind and maybe transferred to the feathery stigmas of plants of the same species. This means that less pollen is required by the insect pollinated plant than the wind-pollinated plant as the wind-pollinated relies on saturation of pollen to get a least one plant pollinated. The stigma and the anthers are held externally outside the flower in wind pollinated flowers compared to the insect pollinated plants, which are held internally inside. This is because the external feathery structure of the stigma in wind-pollinated plants increases the surface area, which increases the chances of pollination Etc.

TWO	NØ	N1	N2	A3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8
	No response/no relevant evidence.	ONE idea given.	TWO ideas given.	THREE ideas given.	FOUR ideas given.	TWO of:  • Explains how fertilisation occurs.  • Explains what happens to the flower after fertilisation.  • Explains why dispersal is important to the plant.	<ul> <li>ALL of</li> <li>Explains how fertilisation occurs.</li> <li>Explains what happens to the flower after fertilisation.</li> <li>Explains why dispersal is important to the plant.</li> </ul>	Links explanations to discuss how fertilisation changes the structure of the flower and why this is important to at least ONE type of seed dispersal linked to explanation.  Competition for named resource.  Eg: Sunlight, minerals, water and space  Dispersal to better conditions	Links explanations to discuss how fertilisation changes the structure of the flower and why this is important to at least TWO different types of seed dispersal linked to explanation.
	<ul> <li>Fertilisation is who</li> <li>The pollen tube gr</li> <li>The ovary expands</li> <li>The ovules become</li> <li>The petals and the exposing the fruit.</li> <li>The seeds are disp</li> <li>Flower starts to die</li> <li>Reduces competiting plant.</li> <li>Ovum/egg fuses w</li> <li>Pollen lands on the</li> </ul>	ows down the s s and swells, for e the seeds. anthers and oth ersed by animal e – petals fall of on for named retith pollen.	tyle towards the rming the fruit.  Her reproductive ls, wind, or water ff/stamens drop	e ovary.  (must link ovary  components fall  er.  off.	y to fruit)				
						An explanation of how plant fertilisation is complete when the male nucleus (sperm) passes down the pollen tube to fuse with the egg cell.  As it is attracted to the chemicals released by the ovary, which determine the direction for the pollen tube to grow towards.  After fertilisation the ovule will swell and become the fruit, which carry the seeds ready to be dispersed. Dispersal of seed reduces competition with the parent plant.		The pollen grain lands on the stigma then grows a pollen tube down to the ovum and the egg where the nuclei of the pollen fuse with the egg. The petals of the flower drop off and the ovary swells and develops into the fruit while the fertilised eggs become the seeds. This is important as this advertises to the animals that the fruit is eatable and encourages them to eat it and disperse it away from the parent plant.  OR the fruit develops hooks and barbs, which attach to the animal's fur to be dispersed. Another method is that the fruit develops wings, $\pi\pi$ which are carried by the wind away from the parent plant. This is important to the plant, as it reduces competition with the parent plant as it is dispersed further away and is not in direct competition for light, water and minerals with the parent plant when it germinates.	

THREE	NØ	N1	N2	A3	A4	M5	M6	E7	E8
	No response/ no relevant evidence.	ONE idea given.	TWO ideas given.	THREE ideas given.	FOUR ideas given.	<ul> <li>TWO of:</li> <li>Explains the importance of photosynthesis for <i>Elodea</i>.</li> <li>Explains the effects of increasing or decreasing light intensity has on the <i>Elodea</i> plant.</li> <li>Explains why a solution of potassium hydrogen carbonate (KHCO<sub>3</sub>) was used in this experiment.</li> </ul>	Explains the importance of photosynthesis for Elodea AND explains the effects that increasing or decreasing light intensity has on the Elodea plant.  AND     Explains why a solution of potassium hydrogen carbonate (KHCO <sub>3</sub> ) was used in this experiment.  OR data is correctly used in explanation of bubbles.	<ul> <li>Links         explanations to         discuss the         importance of         photosynthesis         for Elodea.</li> <li>Explains the         effects that         increasing or         decreasing light         intensity has on         the Elodea plant.</li> <li>Limitations of         carbon dioxide         increasing by         light intensity.         Little or no         increase</li> <li>Explains why a         solution of         potassium         hydrogen         carbonate         (KHCO<sub>3</sub>) was         used in this         experiment.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Links explanations to discuss the importance of photosynthesis for <i>Elodea</i> AND explains the effects that increasing or decreasing light intensity has on the <i>Elodea</i> plant.</li> <li>Explains why a solution of potassium hydrogen carbonate (KHCO<sub>3</sub>) was used in this experiment.</li> <li>Data from the table used to justify correct statements.</li> <li>Answer makes a clear link between the results of the experiment and the process of photosynthesis.</li> </ul>

Describes the process of photosynthesis as:

A word equation

- A chemical equation (all species including light energy must be present, a balanced equation is not required for Achievement, but reactants and products must be identified correctly).
- $6CO_2 + 6H_2O \rightarrow C_6H_{12}O_6 + 6O_2$
- Describes that as the light increases, so does the number of bubbles produced. OR decreasing light intensity decreases the number of bubbles produced.
- Identifies that chlorophyll is the plant pigment responsible for absorbing light energy.
- · Provides energy for plant
- Links bubbles to production of oxygen.

- Explains that the number of bubbles represents the amount of oxygen produced by the process of photosynthesis.
- Links increasing production of oxygen to an increasing light intensity.
- Explains that photosynthesis creates glucose that can be used in respiration to provide the energy (ATP) which the cell can then use to carry out cellular processes like growth and reproduction.
- Explains that by increasing the light intensity, the rate of photosynthesis increases until it reaches a point where increasing the light intensity no longer increases the rate of photosynthesis.

#### AND

That photosynthesis is limited by the factor that is supplied in the least amount.

• The potassium hydrogen carbonate solution was supplied so that CO<sub>2</sub> was available as a primary reactant required for photosynthesis and would not limit the amount of photosynthesis that could occur.

#### Eg:

In this experiment *Elodea* is supplied with carbon dioxide and the light intensity is varied. This shows that as the light intensity increases, so does the rate at which photosynthesis occurs until it reaches 2200 lux where an increase in light intensity does not increase the rate of photosynthesis. Photosynthesis is limited by the factor that is in the least amount, eg carbon dioxide, light intensity and frequency, temperature and water availability. Photosynthesis can also be affected by the amount of chlorophyll the Elodea has and the frequency of light that is used in the experiment. This is because the *Elodea* is not able to photosynthesise and gain the required energy in the form of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>' which can then be used to create energy though respiration as ATP, which can be used in the cell for cell processes such as growth and repair and cell division.

### **Judgement Statement**

Not Achieved		Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence	
Score range	0 – 8	9 – 13	14 – 18	19 – 24	