Ch 4 Overview: Population Biology

Section 4.1 – Population Dynamics

- 1. What is a population? (½ pt)
- 2. What happens within a healthy population? (½ pt)
- 3. What can negatively affect a healthy population? (1 pt)
- 4. Explain one way scientists study changes in populations? (1 pt)

5. What would scientists use to study larger organisms such as elk? (½ pt)______

- 6. What type of curve do populations of organisms experience? (½ pt)____
- 7. Why is the initial increase of organisms slow? What causes the greater increase later on? (1 pt)

8. What is exponential growth? What does it result in? (1 pt)

- 9. List the 4 factors that can limit population growth. (2 pts)
- 10. What type of growth curve will result due to limiting factors? (½ pt)_____
- 11. What is carrying capacity? (½ pt)
- 12. When would limiting factors come into play? (½ pt)
- 13. What is a life-history pattern? (½ pt)
- 14. What are the 2 types of life-history patterns? Give an example of each. (2 pts)

15. Where would rapid life-history patterns be common? (½ pt)

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16. Describe typical organisms that have a rapid life-history. (2 pts)

17. Where would slow life-history patterns be common? (½ pt)

18. Describe typical organisms that have a slow life-history. (2 pts)

19. What are limiting factors? (½ pt)

20. List the 3 types of dispersal methods of organisms. (½ pt)

21. List the 2 kinds of limiting factors that are related to dispersal. ($^{1}_{2}$ pt)

22. List 5 density-dependent factors. (2½ pts)

23. List 7 density-independent factors. (3½ pts)

24. Why can predation be a limiting factor? (½ pt)

25. What happens when organisms within the same population compete for resources? ($\frac{1}{2}$ pt)

26. List the stress symptoms that individual organisms can exhibit in times of overcrowding. (2pts)

Section 4.2 – Human Population

27. What is demography? (½ pt)

28. By 2002, how fast has the human population grown per year? (½ pt)_____

29. How have humans been able to increase their growth? In other words, what limiting factors have we dealt with? (2pts)

31. What is immigration? (½ pt)

32.	What	is	emigration?	(½ pt)
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33. What is the complete formula for population growth rate (PGR)? (½ pt)

34. What is doubling time? (½ pt)

35. A country that has a slow double time is often referred to as a _____ (½ pt)

36. A country that has a rapid double time is often referred to as a _____ (½ pt)

37. What is age structure? (½ pt)

38. What can an age structure graph tell you? (1 pt)

39. List the basic needs of resources for populations. (1½ pt)