Key Words
AP Biology Free Response Questions

Calculate--To ascertain by computation; reckon: calculating the area of a circle; calculated their probable time of arrival.

Predict--To state, tell about, or make known in advance, especially on the basis of special knowledge: predicted an active hurricane season because of warmer ocean-surface temperatures.

Justify--To demonstrate or prove to be just, right, or valid: justified each budgetary expense as necessary; anger that is justified by the circumstances.

Propose--To put forward for consideration, discussion, or adoption; suggest: propose a change in the law.

Explain--To make plain or comprehensible. To define; expound: We explained our plan to the committee.

Perform--To begin and carry through to completion; do: The surgeon performed the operation.

Specify--To state explicitly or in detail: specified the amount needed; specified what was wrong with the program.

Identify--To establish or recognize the identity of; ascertain as a certain person or thing: Can you identify what kind of plane that is? I identified the man at the next table as a famous actor.

Describe--To give an account of in speech or writing: describe a sea voyage. To convey an idea or impression of; characterize: She described her childhood as a time of wonder and discovery.

Pose (a scientific question)—To set forth in words for consideration; propound: pose a question. Scientific question must be testable.

State (a hypothesis)--To set forth in words; declare. Hypothesis--A tentative explanation for an observation, phenomenon, or scientific problem that can be tested by further investigation.

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