

解答・解説

正解:(A)

ハイライト文の分析

These plants are termed opportunists because they rely on their seeds' falling into settings where competing plants have been removed by natural processes, such as along an eroding riverbank, on landslips, or where a tree falls and creates a gap in the forest canopy.

競争相手の植物が除去されている場所に種が落ちるので、これらの植物(タンポポ)は opportunists と呼ばれている

選択肢の分析

- Because their seeds grow in places where competing plants are no longer present (○), dandelions are classified as opportunists. – ○
- Dandelions are called opportunists because they contribute to the natural processes of erosion (×) and the creation of gaps in the forest canopy. 浸食に貢献するとは書いてない
- The term opportunists applies to plants whose seeds fall in places where they can compete with the seeds of other plants (×). 競争するところに種が落ちる、は逆
- The term opportunists applies to plants whose falling seeds are removed by natural processes (×). 種が除去されるのではなく、競争相手の植物が除去される