

Moth comparison

Description: collect three different types (species) of moth for comparison of their characteristics. You will turn in the pinned insects and your comparison. See http://www.biologyjunction.com/insect_collection.htm for instructions on how to pin insects. You do not need the killing jar, just put the moths in a container in the freezer overnight.

Steps:

1. Collect moths – around an outside light at night is the easiest.
2. Freeze the moths to kill them.
3. Pin the moths.
4. Sketch or take pictures of each moth.
5. Compare the characteristics of the moths – antennas, body, & wings are a good place to start.
6. Use your characteristics to identify the moths.
7. Turn in your moths and your comparison

Conclusion: minimum of 5 sentences (topic sentence, 3 supporting sentences, concluding sentence). Describe how you collected the moths and the best way to identify these species (known as key characteristics).