Hubble's Universe Answer Key

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Part I: Answers to questions 1 - 3

- 1. [2 pts.] Most ellipticals contain little or no gas or dust necessary for star formation.
- 2. [2 pts.] Spiral arms

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3. [2 pts.] Blue stars **and** [2 pts.] the presence of gas and dust. [Answers may be in either order.]

Part II: Answers to Galaxy Classification Activity

Note: The classification scheme for most galaxies includes two parts. The first is an **S** for Spiral, **SB** for Barred Spiral, **E** for Elliptical, **Ir** for Irregular, and **SO** and **SBO**. Those classified as SO or SBO are broken down no further. Award **1 point** for correctly identifying the first part of the galaxy classification. Award **2 points** for correctly identifying the SO and SBO galaxies. The second part of a galaxy's classification is a small letter – a, b or c – for Spirals and Barred Spirals; a number 1 through 7 for Ellipticals; and I or II for Irregulars. There is a very fine line between the Sb and Sc classifications, so either is acceptable as noted in the key. This is also true for SBb and SBc galaxies. A fine line also distinguishes Elliptical galaxies, so accept any classification as correct if the number chosen is "right on" or a neighboring number on either side, i.e. if the accepted classification is E2, accept E1, E2 or E3 as being correct. Award **1 additional point** if the letter or number following the major class has been correctly identified. Award no points if the second part of the classification is correct, but the major part is incorrect. Actually, the accepted range is built in to the key to make your task of evaluating easy. The standard classification has been printed in bold-faced type.

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10. E4, E5 , E6	Messier numbers and classifications
9. Sb or Sc	20. Sb or Sc
8. E3, E4 , E5	19. Sb or Sc
7. Sb or Sc	18. SBb or SBc
6. E1, E2 , E3	17. SBb or SBc
5. Sb or Sc	16. S Bb or SBc
4. Sa	15. SO
3. Sb or Sc	14. Ir-II
2. Sb or Sc	13. Sb or Sc
1. Sb or Sc	12. Sb or Sc