- 37.1 1 We may well discover that the problem was caused by overheating.
  - 2 It would seem to appear from all the findings that the test is reliable.
  - 3 Of course it is true that not all factories cause huge amounts of pollution.
  - 4 We can certainly assume that the exchange rate will continue to fluctuate.
  - 5 It may well turn out not to be the case that all the questions were answered honestly.
  - 6 It could be argued that conflict was inevitable after the events of recent years.
- 37.2 In all cases, the adverbs may also be the first word in the sentence, except in the case of 'tentatively' and 'conclude', which usually occur next to each other.
  - 1 Russo was allegedly a member of a terrorist organisation, but it was never proved.
  - 2 At that time, the population of tigers was reportedly widespread in the region.
  - 3 The collapse of the roof apparently caused a sprinkler system pipe to burst.
  - 4 To get a better job is presumably a main motivation for going on to higher education.
  - 5 We may tentatively conclude that water shortages are likely to increase rather than decrease.
  - 6 The students were evidently guessing some of the answers instead of using their knowledge of the context.

## 37.3

noun	verb	adjective	adverb
tendency	tend		
evidence		evident	evidently
	seem		seemingly
likelihood		likely	
perception	perceive	perceptible	perceptibly

- 37.4 1 It is not very likely / It is highly unlikely that everyone will fail the test.
  - 2 Students have a tendency to leave preparation for exams till the last minute.
  - 3 It was evident that some students had copied each other's answers.
  - 4 There is a common perception that older people cannot learn musical instruments to a professional standard.
  - 5 The melting of the polar ice caps is seemingly inevitable.

## 37.5 Suggested answers

- 1 Rats are generally considered to be carriers of diseases.
- 2 There is (only) limited evidence to support the opinion that diesel cars cause more pollution than petrol cars.
- 3 There is every likelihood that rail passenger numbers will continue to decline.
- 4 In the absence of evidence to the contrary, we must conclude that right-handedness is not linked to intelligence in any way.
- 5 It is undoubtedly true that engineering graduates are in increasing demand.
- 6 The area near the river is liable to flood/flooding in winter.