Organisms and Their Environment – Open Response Question 2

Over the years, the number of incidents between humans and animals (deer, bears, etc.) has increased in New Jersey. These incidents range from car accidents with deer to bears rummaging through trash cans. To minimize these incidents, some towns have resorted to controlled hunts. The purpose of these hunts is to reduce the population of these different animal groups.

a) Explain why the number of incidents between humans and animals has increased over the years.

b) Other than these occasional controlled hunts, list and describe two measures that can be taken to minimize the possibility of future incidents between humans and animals.