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PRUEBA DE LENGUA INGLESA. CÓDIGO DEL EXAMEN: 20

PRUEBA DE COMPRESION ESCRITA

I had an amusing experience last year. I was in the south of France and on the way to Toulouse a man waved to me, I stopped and he asked me for a lift. I said good morning to him in French and he replied in the same language. I don't know any French at all. Neither of us spoke during the journey. Two hours later the man said very slowly, 'Do you speak English?' Immediately I learnt, he was English himself!

1. The man stopped the writer because_____
- a) he spoke French
 - b) he wanted a free ride in the car
 - c) he recognized him
 - d) he wanted to speak to him

In 1955, Martin Luther King Jr gained national recognition for his non-violent methods used in a bus boycott in Montgomery. This peaceful boycott, changed the law which required Black people to ride in the backs of buses. After this success, Dr King used his non-violent tactics in efforts to change other discriminatory laws.

2. Which sentence is correct?
- a) Dr King was very violent in the bus boycott
 - b) This boycott did not have any effect
 - c) Dr King changed the law with his attitude
 - d) Dr King used the force to stop the boycott

Last spring, Juan and Miguel decided to drive to Portugal. The car belonged to Juan's father and was very old. When they left, everything was fine. However, three hours later the car stopped and it was impossible to start it again. They called an emergency service and decided to wait in a café because it was very cold.

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3. Which sentence is correct?

- a) Miguel's father had a car
- b) They had problems with the car a couple of hours after leaving
- c) They waited for the emergency service in the street
- d) The problem with the car began three hours later after leaving

In 1989, the General Assembly of the United Nations signed the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Since then, the civil, political, economic, social, health and cultural rights of the children have been formally inscribed in the treaty. Today all Council of Europe countries have signed the Convention.

4. Who signed the Convention on the Rights of the children?

- a) The Council of Europe
- b) The General Assembly of the United Nations
- c) The children
- d) The Convention of the United Nations

When Thomson inherited a lot of money, he retired and moved to a big cottage in the countryside with his wife. The cottage had a large swimming pool and a little stable for his horse. Every morning, he watered his beautiful garden while he listened to the radio.

5. Where did Thomson move?

- a) To the coast
- b) To a big city
- c) To the beach
- d) To the country

My neighbour, whose name is Melisa, gets up very early every day. She is never late for work. However, last Friday she forgot to set her alarm clock and arrived at the bakery, where she has worked for 10 years, half an hour late. Her boss was very angry and the costumers, too.

6. What do we know about Melisa?

- a) Melisa lost her job
- b) Melisa is usually late for work

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- c) Melisa is very forgetful
- d) Melisa was late on one occasion

Peter has just received a message from Thomas, his best friend:

'I am outside the cinema. Text if you are going to be late and I will wait for you and watch the next film. If you are not coming, I will go in now.'

7. What should Peter do?

- a) He should let Thomas know if he is delayed
- b) He should tell Thomas which film he wants to watch
- c) He should wait for Thomas inside the cinema
- d) He should buy the tickets for the film

I am unemployed at the moment so I do not go to work. I do not have anything special to do. In the morning, I go for a walk with my dog and I always buy the newspaper because I am looking for a job. In the afternoon, I go to the library and borrow a book every other day.

8. Which sentence is true?

- a) He works overtime
- b) He is trying to find work
- c) He works in a newspaper
- d) He borrows books from his friends

It's my birthday soon. I'd like to invite all my friends to my house. I don't want any presents. We can have some food but I don't want any meat. We can listen to English music and just talk. The party will be in my garden. I can cook very well but I just haven't got time now.

9. Choose the correct sentence:

- a) The writer is not a good cook
- b) Today is the writer's birthday
- c) The writer does not want any meat
- d) The writer wants to have the party in the kitchen

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George Washington was named commander of the Continental Army in 1775. Washington was a great leader who won several decisive battles during the Revolution, and he was elected the first President of the United States.

10. Which of the following sentences is NOT true?

- a) Washington was never president
- b) Washington commanded the Continental Army
- c) Washington was an excellent leader
- d) Washington won several decisive battles during the Revolution

Two local school children have won the first prize in a national dance competition. The competition is in London every year in July. The two children both go to the London Dance Club. Kevin Shashi is only 12 years old. He also enjoys playing football for his school team. Mary Wilson is 15 and she is also an assistant teacher at the dance club. They are the first children from the club to win the first prize.

11. Which option is correct?

- a) The club often wins the first prize
- b) Mary Wilson helps the dance teachers
- c) Kevin Shashi is not interested in football
- d) The competition takes place twice a year

A television with face and voice recognition has been made for the first time. The 'smart' Internet connected television can also be upgraded constantly so it never goes out of date, according to the company Samsung which has invented it. A built-in camera allows users to browse the Internet or change channel with just a wave of their hand. The TV can be spoken to in more than 20 different languages.

12. What is said about this Television?

- a) The television only recognizes the face
- b) It responds to a variety of languages
- c) The television only recognizes the voice
- d) It has restricted the Internet access

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I go clothes shopping with my sister. She gives me good advice. My children come with me when I am shopping for toys. I do my food shopping with my husband on Saturday. He likes to choose things and helps to carry the bags. There is nowhere to park our car near the supermarket. I do not like that.

13 Choose the correct option:

- a) She goes to buy food with her husband
- b) Her sister helps her to buy toys
- c) There is plenty of room to park the car near the supermarket
- d) She goes to buy clothes with her children

My husband and I have a small family business near our house. We usually work 7 days a week. We work long hours for our children's future. We sell all kinds of things, newspapers and magazines. We usually open at 7 o'clock. Every day a lot of people buy things on their way to work. We never finish the day before 10 pm.

14. Which sentence is correct?

- a) The business is far away from their house
- b) They rest one day a week
- c) They always finish their work before 10pm
- d) They work for their children's future

I get on very well with my girlfriend, but one of the main problems is that I can't see her very often because I am studying electronic engineering in London. She is studying law in Madrid. I would like to see her more often for example every weekend.

15. According to the text, _____

- a) my girlfriend sees me every week
- b) I see my girlfriend every time that I want
- c) she is studying electronic engineering in London
- d) my girlfriend and I have a good relationship

Gabor works shifts, one week very early in the morning, one week late in the evening. There are ten people in his team. They work for a big company in the city. He tidies up desks, empties rubbish bins and washes floors. In the afternoon he goes to college to learn English and computing. He wants to become an IT technician next year.

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16. Choose the correct sentence:

- a) Gabor works as a cleaner
- b) Gabor doesn't want to learn another language
- c) Gabor works alone in his team
- d) Gabor always works early in the morning

Ridgeway School is situated in a beautiful countryside. There are playing fields for outdoor sports. If you prefer indoor sports, there is also a huge gymnasium with a basketball court. The only problem is that we are in the middle of nowhere so there's not too much to do in the evenings. The classrooms are bright and comfortable and have all the latest equipment for language learning: computers, magazines and so on, but there is always a queue to use the computers.

17. What do we know about Ridgeway School?

- a) It doesn't have any equipment
- b) The writer likes everything about the school except his evenings
- c) It is situated in the city centre
- d) Nobody uses the computers

Join our luxury Mediterranean Cruise. You have a choice of four cafés and comfortable lounges in which to relax and have a drink. Sun lovers have the chance to relax on deck and enjoy the swimming pool. As well as shops that cater to your daily needs, there are fashion shops, boutiques and gift shops.

18. Which option is correct?

- a) There is a variety of places to relax and have a drink on the Nefertiti
- b) You can't go swimming or sunbathe on the ship
- c) There aren't any shops on the ship
- d) The cruise is not luxurious

Last week, I went on a business trip to Venice, which was built on water. There are canals, not streets, so people get to places by boat. In this city the buildings are old and full of history. Marco Polo came from this city and he travelled as far as Mongolia. In Venice the film festival is very well-known and the carnival, too.

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19. What do we know about Venice?

- a) The principal means of transport is by car
- b) Venice was constructed on a mountain
- c) According to the text, there are new buildings without history
- d) Marco Polo was born in Venice

About one hundred years ago many educated people learned and spoke French when they met people from other countries. Today most people speak English when they meet foreigners. It has become the new international language. There are more people who speak English as a second language than people who speak English as a first language.

20. According to this text, about one hundred years ago, _____

- a) the people who travelled abroad used to speak English
- b) the people who travelled abroad used to speak Spanish
- c) the people who travelled abroad used to speak French
- d) the people who travelled abroad used to speak Esperanto

Last summer Lynn Carson rode her bicycle across the United States, the trip started on 5th June in California. There were 20 cyclists in the group, and Lynn was the youngest. Every day, the cyclists rode 80 or 90 kilometres. On 30th August, the cyclists arrived in Boston. They had a big party and celebrated the end of their incredible trip.

21. Which option is correct?

- a) Lynn finished her trip in the winter
- b) The cyclists visited 80 or 90 countries

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- c) Lynn took a trip to England
- d) The other cyclists were older than Lynn

Hawaii is an excellent place to visit. It consists of 122 islands in the Pacific Ocean. The islands of Hawaii are volcanoes, but they aren't all active today. Hawaii has got wet jungles, long rivers and high mountains. The biggest city Honolulu is on the island of Oahu. Oahu isn't the biggest island, but it gets more tourists than the other islands

22. Which sentence is true?

- a) Oahu is the biggest island
- b) Hawaii is in the Pacific Ocean
- c) People go to Hawaii to look for a job
- d) Oahu has less tourists than the rest of the islands

Capitola is an unusual village because only artists live there. The artists live and work in their homes. Bouke and Johanna are jewellers. They make beautiful jewellery. People often come to the village to watch them work and to buy their jewellery. Evelyn and Robert live in Capitola, too. Evelyn is a painter and Robert is a sculptor. His sculptures are usually of people.

23. What do we know from the text?

- a) Artists in Capitola live and work in the same place
- b) Johanna and Bouke are painters
- c) Doctors, teachers and bakers live in Capitola
- d) Robert often makes sculptures of animals

Luke lives in Texas. He doesn't live on a ranch but he wants to. He goes to Rodeo School because he wants to be a cowboy when he grows up. He learns all about horses, cows, ropes and saddles. He rides horses and tries to win contests, Rodeo School is fun but it is hard work, too!

24. According to the text, _____

- a) Luke lives on a ranch
- b) Luke wants to be a vet
- c) Luke's school is lots of fun!
- d) Luke only rides a horse

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I remember the day the dam burst. My family needed to evacuate our home because it was flooded with so much water. We drove to my aunt's home in town. Her home wasn't damaged but the whole area was flooded. Houses were lifted off their foundations, trees were uprooted and there were dead fish and animals everywhere. People were flown to shelters by helicopters.

25. Choose the correct option:

- a) The flooding didn't cause us any problems
- b) People were taken for safety by helicopters
- c) Lots of people and animals died in the flooding
- d) None of the houses in town were flooded

In April 1998, there was a chemical spill in the area of the Doñana National Park. The spill polluted the Agrio and Guadiamar Rivers. This was a major disaster for Europe, because this National Park is an important wildlife site. The toxic chemicals affected the animals and birds living there. These birds fly between the Arctic and Africa. Many of them were endangered after eating contaminated fish.

26. What do we know from the text?

- a) The spill didn't damage the Doñana National Park
- b) The spill didn't affect the Agrio and Guadiamar Rivers
- c) The toxic chemicals contaminated both rivers
- d) The birds fly from the Arctic to Asia

My family and I went on a trip to England. We visited many interesting places and did a lot of interesting things. First, we visited Madame Tussaud's wax museum. We waited there hours for tickets. There were statues of famous people from all over the world. Next, Buckingham palace came. I was a bit unhappy because we didn't see the Queen.

27. Which option is correct?

- a) The writer visited England with friends
- b) The writer saw the Queen at Buckingham Palace
- c) The museum was the first place the writer's family visited
- d) There weren't any statues of famous people at the museum

Bald eagles are an endangered species. Eagles face many dangers, especially in populated areas. The areas with large amount of rubbish attract these birds. However, eating this rubbish makes the

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birds very ill. Another danger for them is collisions with power lines, windows, cars and trucks or fishing boats, they can get injured or even killed.

28. Choose the correct answer:

- a) Bald eagles don't like areas with rubbish
- b) Bald eagles are often hurt when they fly into cars and trucks
- c) Bald eagles don't suffer any harm
- d) Bald eagles sometimes collide with power lines, cars and trucks

Nearly 2,000 years ago, Mount Vesuvius, a volcano in Italy, erupted. Pompeii was the closest city to Vesuvius. Pompeii was a busy Roman city and ships sailed in and out of the port. When the volcano erupted, hot lava covered the city, and the people in Pompeii died.

29 Which sentence is correct?

- a) Mount Vesuvius is a volcano
- b) The volcano erupted three days ago
- c) The hot lava from the volcano covered Italy
- d) Nobody died when the volcano erupted

For hundreds of years, people have left their own countries to look for a better way of life and a better future for their families. During the 1840s, there was a potato famine in Ireland because there wasn't enough food. Thousands of Irish immigrated to the United States, bringing with them their customs, traditional foods and holidays.

30. Which sentence is correct?

- a) People started moving around the world in the 1840s
- b) The Irish moved to the United States because there was a famine
- c) The Irish brought their ancestors with them
- d) People moved places to exchange their potatoes

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PRUEBA DE GRAMÁTICA Y VOCABULARIO

My dog Timothy is 5 years old. My girlfriend (31) _____ it for me (32) _____ the day I turned 18 and it is the (33) _____ present I (34) _____ ever received.

Timothy, (35) _____ fur is soft and short, loves (36) _____ for walks in the country. At week-ends, we go jogging with him and he runs until he gets (37) _____ tired to continue. He is also a good guard dog because he always barks when he hears a strange noise. However, he is not very keen (38) _____ water. (39) _____ year we went to a lake and he refused to swim. It's strange, maybe the water was cold. Anyway, Timothy is a great companion and I love him (40) _____.

31-

- a) is buying
- b) will buy
- c) buy
- d) bought

32-

- a) when
- b) in
- c) at
- d) on

33-

- a) best
- b) better
- c) more good
- d) most good

34-

- a) am have
- b) has
- c) having
- d) have

35-

- a) whose

36-

- a) goes
- b) go
- c) to going
- d) going

37-

- a) much
- b) enough
- c) too
- d) a lot of

38-

- a) of
- b) in
- c) on
- d) about

39-

- a) Last
- b) Before
- c) In
- d) Next

40-

- a) a lot

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- b) who's
- c) which
- d) who

- b) lot
- c) a lots
- d) very

A FAMOUS CIRCUS

The circus, Cirque du Soleil, began (41) _____ Montreal, Canada. It was started (42) _____ the Canadian Guy Laliberté in 1984. When he left college, Laliberté travelled around Europe and earned money (43) _____ music in the streets. Not long after he returned home, he started Cirque with (44) _____ friend, Daniel Gauthier. During the 1990s, Cirque grew quickly. It now does shows (45) _____ over the world and the number of people working for it has grown from 73 to (46) _____ than 3,500.

The Cirque does not have any animals, but (47) _____ is music and dance and each show (48) _____ a story. (49) _____ show, which is called Varian, is about a man who could fly. The show starts with him falling from the sky and tells the story of how he (50) _____ to learn to fly again.

41-

- a) to
- b) of
- c) at
- d) in

46-

- a) the most
- b) more
- c) most
- d) much

42-

- a) during
- b) of
- c) by
- d) from

47-

- a) there
- b) it
- c) these
- d) this

43-

- a) playing
- b) plays
- c) played
- d) will play

48-

- a) tells
- b) say
- c) tell
- d) says

44-

- a) it's

49-

- a) Several

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- b) their
- c) his
- d) its

- b) Both
- c) One
- d) Lots

45-

- a) any
- b) some
- c) all
- d) enough

50-

- a) has
- b) must
- c) need
- d) have

For many people, going (51) _____ train is the (52) _____ exciting way to travel. It is by no means a new means of transport compared to the plane. However, many people think it has a lot of advantages. For example, you don't have to (53) _____ for hours at the airport with thousands of (54) _____ passengers. You just go to the (55) _____ a few minutes before the train (56) _____, buy a ticket, get on the train, and the journey begins!

You can look at things (57) _____ the windows, have a sleep, read a book or go for a walk up and down the train. (58) _____ usually someone interesting to talk to and if you get hungry, you (59) _____ eat your picnic! If you don't bring the picnic with you, there is often a restaurant or small café on the train (60) _____ you can buy some food and drink.

51-

- a) with
- b) by
- c) to
- d) on

56-

- a) takes off
- b) lands
- c) leaves
- d) lives

52-

- a) as
- b) more
- c) better
- d) most

57-

- a) through
- b) inside
- c) by
- d) across

53-

- a) fall
- b) look

58-

- a) It is
- b) He is

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- c) wait
- d) ask

54-

- a) any
- b) another
- c) others
- d) other

55-

- a) bus stop
- b) railway station
- c) bus stop
- d) airport



- c) There is
- d) This is

59-

- a) will do
- b) do
- c) couldn't
- d) can

.....60-

- a) which
- b) where
- c) that
- d) when

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