



# PRUEBAS DE ACCESO A LA UNIVERSIDAD LOE

FASE GENERAL: MATERIAS COMUNES

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## OPCIÓN A

### **Cyber-bullying: Two teenage girls try to drown themselves**

1 Two teenage girls in Israel tried to commit suicide because of cyber-bullying by their classmates. During a terrible storm last week, the two girls attempted to commit suicide by drowning themselves in the Mediterranean Sea. The two girls, who are 13 and 14 years old, are from the coastal city of Ashdod. They were found unconscious floating in the water, and they were saved by a local person who contacted the rescue services. One of the girls has been released from hospital, however, the other girl is still hospitalized.

5 The girls told the police that they are in the same class in Junior High School. They said that their classmates had harassed them for years, face to face and on the internet, mostly on Facebook. Apparently classmates continually spread rumours and embarrassing stories about them.

10 Ashdod's Head of Social Services has begun an immediate investigation. The police are currently gathering evidence and intend to press charges.

15 Hana Levi Julian, a behavioural psychotherapist in Jerusalem said that bullying by classmates does not always take the traditional form of physically being hurt, which we once thought. One of the worst forms of bullying is that of embarrassing or publicly ridiculing another person.

20 Kids single out and target others very often, especially in school. Cyber-bullying can occur in class as well as out of it. They have plenty of opportunity before and after class, during recess and on lunch breaks to harass a classmate. More supervision is needed during these unstructured times. Also, teachers need to be trained to deal with this problem when it occurs, whether before or after classes, between classes or during their classes.

(282 words)

By Lesley Lanir in Internet (Adapted)

**1.- Say whether the following sentences are TRUE or FALSE according to the text. Copy the evidence from the text. No marks will be given without the evidence. (1.5 points)**

- a) – The two girls had been intimidated for a long time.
- b) – Work is being done to catch and punish the attackers.
- c) – Bullying is very rare among young people.

**2.- Choose ONLY THREE of the following words and write a synonym (=), an opposite (≠), a definition or a sentence (only one of these four) to show that you understand their meaning in the text. Use your own words. (1.5 points)**

- a) – local (line 5)
- b) – however (line 6)
- c) – to harass (line 8)
- d) – currently (line 12)
- e) – recess (line 19)
- f) – to deal with (line 20)

**3.- Read this conversation between a maitre and a customer. Complete their conversation. Write the numbers (1-8) and each complete sentence on your exam paper. (2 points)**

### **At a Restaurant**

- Maitre:** Good afternoon, Sir. Can I help you?  
**Customer:** Certainly, (1) ..... for just one person?  
**Maitre:** Would you like this one here, near the door?  
**Customer:** No, I'd rather have (2) ..... Is that possible?  
**Maitre:** Yes, of course. Follow me please.  
**Customer:** Thank you very much. This is just perfect.  
**Maitre:** What (3) .....?  
**Customer:** I don't know. What's today's special?  
**Maitre:** (4) ....., served with salad.  
**Customer:** That sounds good. I'll have that.  
**Maitre:** (5) .....?  
**Customer:** Yes, I'd like a glass of red wine.
- **Maitre:** Did (6) ..... ?  
**Customer:** Yes, Thank you. It was delicious.  
**Maitre:** Would you like anything else? Tea, Coffee, ...?  
**Customer:** No, Thanks. (7) ....., please?  
**Maitre:** That'll be £ 15.55. (8) .....?  
**Customer:** No, I'm paying cash.

**4.- Choose only 4 of the following situations. Write what you would say in or about each one to show that you understand the context of the situation. Between 6 and 20 words. (2 points)**

- 1.- You are on the phone. You've called British Rail Information Office about your train fare but didn't understand what the person said. Politely ask for repetition and clarification.
- 2.- At a job interview. Tell the Human Resources Manager why you're the ideal person for the job.
- 3.- You couldn't go to a party yesterday. Your friend did. Ask him for details about it.
- 4.- Warn a friend of yours about doing or not doing something.
- 5.- You're in a big department store with your partner. He is not really sure what item to buy. Help him decide.
- 6.- You've just finished doing an assignment with some of your classmates. They don't know what to do now. Suggest doing an activity.

**5.- Write a composition of about 100 words on ONE of the following topics. (3 points)**

- a) – Write a letter to a good friend of yours who you know is being cyber-bullied. Try to give him/her support.
- b) – How to end with bullying.



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### OPCIÓN B

## Oil drilling is considered a danger for tourism in the Canary Islands

1 The Canary Islands is one of Britain's most popular holiday destinations. However, these islands may lose their attraction to foreign tourists because of a decision to drill for oil less than 40 miles off the coastline. Local businesses and travel companies believe that there is a risk to the business of tourism in the islands. They see drilling for oil as a threat to tourists who look for the clean beaches and clean water that are found on and around these islands. 5 More than 2.6 million Britons visit the Canaries every year and the seven islands are famed for their 365 days of sunshine.

10 Repsol, the Spanish oil and gas giant, has been given permission by the Spanish government to prospect for oil near Lanzarote and Fuerteventura despite strong local opposition. The regional government of the Canaries has mounted a legal challenge against the project, saying that drilling for oil threatens its most important industry, which is tourism. This region is Spain's second most popular tourism destination after Catalonia.

15 Inhabitants and business owners as well as major tour operators have voiced concerns that drilling could affect tourism and wildlife along the famous coastlines, particularly if there were an oil spill. ABTA, The Travel Association, and the UK Tour operators' Federation have also written to the Spanish government expressing concern about the decision.

20 In a letter sent to Jose Manuel Soria, the Minister of Industry, Energy and Tourism, the organisations voice their 'great preoccupation' about the effects the decision will have on the tourist industry in the Canaries.

The Canary Islands are one of the key tourist destinations not only for the United Kingdom but also for other European countries and the prospecting and possible drilling for oil could cause considerable damage to tourism in this region.

(307 words)

**1.- Say whether the following sentences are TRUE or FALSE according to the text. Copy the evidence from the text. No marks will be given without the evidence. (1.5 points)**

- a) – Waters surrounding the Canaries are polluted.
- b) – No other Spanish region gets more tourists than the Canaries.
- c) – The regional government seems to be very much in favour of the project.

**2.- Choose ONLY THREE of the following words and write a synonym (=), an opposite (≠), a definition or a sentence (only one of these four) to show that you understand their meaning in the text. Use your own words. (1.5 points)**

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| a) – threat (line 4)   | d) – particularly (line 14) |
| b) – prospect (line 9) | e) – voice (line 18)        |
| c) – mounted (line 10) | f) – considerable (line 22) |

**3.- Read this conversation between two classmates about a Biology questionnaire. Complete their conversation. Write the numbers (1-8) and each complete sentence on your exam paper. (2 points)**

### **A Biology project**

- Betty:** My friend asked me to answer several questions for her Biology project. Can you help me?
- Gerry:** Of course, but only if (1) .....
- Betty:** No they aren't. I think they're quite simple. The first one is, (2) .....
- Gerry:** Um, ... I think it is the dolphin. I can't think of a more intelligent animal. (3) .....
- Betty:** No, there're still three more questions. The second one is: which animal has the most memory power?
- Gerry:** I think (4) .....because .....
- Betty:** How do you know this?
- Gerry:** Because (5) .....
- Betty:** Well, let's go on to the next question. (6) .....
- Gerry:** Eight legs. As you know, they are arachnids.
- Betty:** It's amazing. Where have you learned so many things?
- Gerry:** Well, I (7) .....
- Betty:** Well, now comes the last question. (8) .....
- Gerry:** I've read that bamboo makes up nearly all of their diet.

**4.- Choose only 4 of the following situations. Write what you would say in or about each one to show that you understand the context of the situation. Between 6 and 20 words. (2 points)**

- 1.- Your boyfriend doesn't know what CD to buy. Help him make up his mind.
- 2.- Your neighbour's mother has just died. Express your condolence.
- 3.- You have been invited to go camping next weekend. Refuse and give an excuse.
- 4.- A classmate has said something you don't like. State the opposite of what he said.
- 5.- Recommend a book you absolutely loved.
- 6.- You've found yourself in a boring and uncomfortable conversation. Say something to end or change the topic.

**5.- Write a composition of about 100 words on ONE of the following topics. (3 points)**

- a) – Write a letter to the Minister of Industry telling him why you are for or against oil drilling in the Canaries
- b) – The importance of preserving wildlife.