



# Prueba de Evaluación de Bachillerato para el Acceso a la Universidad Curso 2022-2023

Materia: Lengua extranjera (Inglés)

Tiempo máximo de la prueba: 1 h 30 min

## INSTRUCCIONES PARA REALIZAR EL EXAMEN

El examen consta de tres bloques de preguntas cuyo valor máximo es de 5, 3 y 2 puntos, respectivamente. Es obligatorio contestar las preguntas indicadas en cada bloque para llegar a la puntuación máxima del examen (10).

En ningún caso se corregirá un número de respuestas mayor de lo indicado para cada bloque. Para la corrección se seguirá el orden en el que las contestaciones aparezcan desarrolladas por el estudiante. Solo si el estudiante ha tachado alguna de ellas, se entenderá que esa respuesta no debe ser corregida y se procederá a corregir la siguiente de su mismo bloque.

## PRIMER BLOQUE: COMPRENSIÓN LECTORA

Este bloque contiene dos textos ("Reading comprehension: Text 1" y "Reading comprehension: Text 2"), cada uno de ellos seguido por dos grupos de preguntas de comprensión lectora. El alumno deberá escoger **uno de los dos textos** y contestar las preguntas del texto elegido de la siguiente manera:

- Tres de las cuatro preguntas del primer ejercicio.

- Cuatro de las cinco preguntas del segundo ejercicio.

### Reading comprehension: Text 1

#### Four Cross-Cultural Celebrations on Three Continents

Harish Vemuri and Daisy Akita had no idea when they were attending Harvard Law School just a few years ago that the negotiating skills they acquired there would be useful for wedding planning.

The couple, both 31 and now living in Santa Monica, California, found themselves not only dealing with their Indian and Ghanaian families and all their traditions and their own dietary needs, but also staying true to their own modern, egalitarian partnership. "This past year has been a lesson in international diplomacy," said Ms. Akita, who had her heart set on a beach ceremony. Mr. Vemuri wanted a wedding in India so his grandparents could attend, while Ms. Akita's parents wanted to host something in her native Ghana. But some of their close friends couldn't travel to either place. To make it all work, they ended up having four separate wedding ceremonies on three continents.

Mr. Vemuri and Ms. Akita started dating in their third year at Harvard Law, in 2019. In their first year, in 2017, Mr. Vemuri recognized her on campus and sent her a friend request on Facebook. Ms. Akita accepted, though no further correspondence took place. Mr. Vemuri remembers meeting Ms. Akita in 2013 in the Los Angeles office of Bain & Company, when she was an intern for a week during her second year in college, and he was working there full time as an associate consultant. However, she did not remember the occasion. "I thought he was making it up," she said.

There were times this past year when the couple questioned their decision to have a three-continent wedding, especially while both were working hard for a promotion at work. But they said it was worth it if it meant giving their families and friends a cross-cultural experience.

*The New York Times* (January 2023. Adapted)

### EXERCISE 1. Answer 3 of the following 4 questions, providing evidence from the text (maximum 1 point each, total 3 points):

- Does the author say if Harish and Vemuri have finished their university degree?
- According to the text, did Ms. Akita initially want a wedding in the mountains?
- Does the text say when Harish and Daisy began their romantic relationship?
- Is the following statement true or false?

*The couple never had any doubts about having an international wedding.*

### EXERCISE 2. Find in the text words to solve 4 of the following 5 questions. Use just one word in each case (maximum 0,5 points per word, total 2 points):

- Find a synonym for *practical, handy*.
- Find a word for this definition: *having to do with food and drink*.
- In an \_\_\_\_\_ society, everybody has the same rights and obligations.
- Find a word for this definition: *going out with someone that you are romantically interested in*.
- Find an antonym for *forget, overlook*.

Reading comprehension: Text 2

**Doctors call on NHS to ban meat from hospitals.**

Scottish doctors and clinicians have written to National Health Service (NHS) executives urging them to ban meat from hospital meals. An open letter sent to Caroline Lamb, chief executive of NHS Scotland, claimed that serving only plant-based meals would save millions of pounds and improve the health of patients. It also claimed that giving patients meals containing red and processed meats was the equivalent of “distributing cigarettes in the pulmonary-care unit.”

It states: “At this time of health and climate crises, we urge NHS Scotland to switch to vegan menus for patients in hospitals. Replacing meat, eggs, and dairy with tasty vegan foods is vital if we are to protect the health of the Scottish people and the planet. It is a serious irresponsibility that meals offered in hospitals are often far from healthy and can even include red and processed meats, which are known to be responsible for some types of cancer.”

The letter claims that switching to vegan meals will help to make menus lighter, adding: “Obesity rates in Scotland are among the highest in the world, putting people at particular risk of developing severe illness or dying as a result of Covid-19.” The letter also mentions benefits to the environment and economic motivations. It’s been estimated that the NHS could save more than £30 billion per year if all meals served in the UK were vegan.

Rachael Hamilton, the Scottish Conservative’s rural affairs delegate, believes the demand is “deeply irresponsible.” Also, a spokesperson for the Scottish government said: “We expect all patients to be offered good, nutritious food in accordance with their ethical or religious requirements. The importance of balanced nutrition is emphasised in our choice of hospital food to ensure all patients get the best possible nourishment.”

*The Times* (April 2022. Adapted)

**EXERCISE 1. Answer 3 of the following 4 questions, providing evidence from the text (maximum 1 point each, total 3 points):**

- Does Caroline Lamb believe that vegan menus would be more expensive?
- Does the letter say that the current hospital meals may be harmful to patients?
- According to the text, are Scottish people comparatively overweight?
- Is the following statement true or false?

*The Scottish government believes that hospital meals are fine as they are.*

**EXERCISE 2. Find in the text words to solve 4 of the following 5 questions. Use just one word in each case (maximum 0,5 points per word, total 2 points):**

- Find a synonym for *equal*, *analogue*.
- Find a word for this definition: *food containing or made from milk*.
- Find an antonym for *natural*, *organic*.
- There are no exact data, but the \_\_\_\_\_ cost of the project is €1.2 million.
- Find a word for this definition: *a person who speaks as a representative of a group or individual*.

**SEGUNDO BLOQUE: REDACCIÓN**

El segundo bloque consiste en una pregunta de redacción con tres opciones, de las cuales el alumno deberá escoger y realizar tan solo una. La redacción tendrá que contener cien palabras como mínimo. La puntuación máxima es de tres puntos.

- Write a story that begins with the following words: “I never thought that going out with someone from another culture would teach me so many things.” **Remember that the 17 words in this sentence cannot be counted in the 100 words you must write.**
- Write a letter to the NHS giving advice on hospital menus.
- Some people say that we are what we eat. Do you agree? Why or why not?

**TERCER BLOQUE: TRANSFORMACIÓN GRAMATICAL**

El tercer bloque contiene seis ejercicios de transformación gramatical, de los cuales el alumno deberá escoger y contestar exclusivamente cuatro. Cada ejercicio contestado vale medio punto como máximo. La puntuación máxima del bloque en su conjunto es de dos puntos.

- Rewrite the following sentence in reported speech, beginning “The couple said...”  
*There were times this past year when we questioned our decision to have a three-continent wedding.*
- Rewrite the following sentence in the passive voice. **Do not omit any part of it.**  
*Protesters have urged NHS Scotland to switch to vegan menus for patients in hospitals.*
- Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first one. **You must not change the initial two words in any way or omit any element from the original sentence:**  
*The letter claims that switching to vegan meals will help to make menus lighter.*  
*According.....*
- Rewrite the following sentence as a third-type (impossible) conditional:  
*If they met during their college years, they would fall in love instantly.*
- Rewrite the following sentence in the interrogative form of the conditional perfect.  
*Mr. Vemuri wanted a wedding in India so his grandparents could attend.*
- Rewrite the following sentence in the active voice. **Do not omit any part of it.**  
*A lot of money could be saved by the NHS if patients were given vegetarian food by hospitals.*



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