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APTO

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COMPRENSIÓN DE TEXTOS ESCRITOS - TAREA 1 (7 x 1 = 7 puntos)

Read this text about a popular hobby in the UK. Match each extract (1 - 7) with the best heading (A - I). One of the headings does not correspond to any of the extracts. Item 0 has been completed as an example. PLEASE, WRITE YOUR ANSWERS IN THE CORRESPONDING BOX ON THE ANSWER SHEET PROVIDED.

GARDENING

0. *The multiple benefits of gardening (Example)*

Gardening may be a fun and relaxing way to get in touch with nature, but did you know that it also has plenty of health benefits? Gardening is an activity that's good for both the mind and body, and can be enjoyed by people of all ages.

1. _____

It only takes a little bit of gardening to work up a sweat. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, just 2.5 hours of moderate activity each week can help reduce the risk of many health problems, including heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure and Type 2 diabetes. You may not think of gardening as exercise, but all the lifting, shoveling and raking involved definitely counts.

2. _____

Your brain also benefits from time spent in the garden. Being outside in the fresh air and sunshine is an effective way to boost your mood and de-stress. In fact, gardening has shown to be helpful in reducing the risk of depression. If something is weighing heavily on your mind, gardening can allow you to focus on an activity that will bring you joy.

3. _____

Gardening requires some patience, but it's worth it when you get to dig into a plate of your own fresh produce. It is a simple way to get more fresh fruits and vegetables into your diet, and you're sure to appreciate them even more because you grew them.

4. _____

Make sure that you have the proper tools and gear for a safe gardening experience. Wear light, long-sleeved shirts and pants and a hat for protection from the sun, as well as sunscreen. Wearing gardening gloves is a must to keep yourself safe when pulling weeds and carrying out other tasks that could hurt your hands. And don't forget to wear mosquito repellent.

5. _____

Soil safety is another thing to keep in mind. Especially in urban and suburban areas, soil may be contaminated with heavy metals. Soil could also have tetanus bacteria, which is why it's so important to wear gloves and stay up on vaccinations. That way, any cuts on your hands won't get infected.

6. _____

Gardening becomes even more engaging when you bring kids into the picture. They may be focusing on the fun parts of gardening, but they're really learning important lessons, both directly and indirectly related to health. Try growing a "pizza garden" with easy-to-grow ingredients for a delicious savory pie, such as tomatoes, eggplant and herbs. Putting together the ingredients for a real pizza, is a snap.

7. _____

When it comes to deciding what to plant, it may be hard to know where to begin. But if you're new to gardening, keep it simple with produce that's easy to grow: herbs and greens such as lettuce. These foods are not only easy for first-time gardeners, they are also full of important nutrients. Don't get discouraged if you don't get it right the first time.

(Source: *The Nation's Health*, edited)

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| A | Involvement of the young ones |
| B | <i>The multiple benefits of gardening</i> ✓ Example (0) |
| C | Getting started |
| D | Be careful, it can be dangerous! |
| E | Eating what you grow |
| F | An open-air gym |
| G | Not an expensive hobby |
| H | Great to put your thoughts in order |
| I | Get all the right equipment |



COMPRESIÓN DE TEXTOS ESCRITOS – TAREA 2 (1 x 7 = 7 puntos)

Read the following text and choose the option (A, B or C) that best completes each statement. Write the letter in the corresponding box on the right. Question 0 has been completed as an example. **WRITE YOUR ANSWERS IN THE CORRESPONDING BOX ON THE ANSWER SHEET PROVIDED.**

HOW TO TURN DIRT INTO GOLD

Years ago, many people spent a lot of time trying to turn dirt into gold. They were called “alchemists.” Yet none of them could really do it. You may be surprised to learn there is a way.

Long ago in a country called Burma lived a young wife. She loved her husband very much, but one fear was heavy on her mind.

“Husband,” she said, “All day long you try to turn dirt into gold. You do nothing else! Soon, I fear all of our money will be gone.”

“I do this for us!” said her husband. “Someday we will both be rich, and you will thank me!”

“If we live that long,” said his wife in a quiet voice. She knew she needed help, and so she asked her father to talk to her husband. He agreed to visit them the next day.

“I hear you are trying to turn dirt into gold,” he said to the young man.

“I will do it!” said the young man. “It just takes some time.”

“I know,” said the father. “Ah! There is something you do not know about me. When I was your age I, too, was an alchemist. And not only that, after many years I found out the secret. But by then I was too old and it was too hard for me to carry it out. I did not know anyone younger I could trust.” He looked at his son-in-law right in the eye.

“You can trust me!” cried the young man. He jumped up with joy.

The man told his son-in-law about a silver powder that grows on the back of banana leaves. “The bananas must be planted in the ground while the words to a special magic spell are said. When the plants grow tall and ripe, the silver powder from the back of the leaves must be collected. You will need about two pounds of this silver powder”.

“But that will take hundreds of banana plants!” cried the young man.

“That is why it was too much work for me to carry it out! But now, I am able to lend you money to rent the land and buy the plants”, replied the older man.

It took a few years, but at last the young man had the two pounds of silver powder. With great joy, he ran to his father-in-law’s house and showed it to him.

“Great!” said his father-in-law. “Now you must bring me a bucket of dirt from the banana farm. And you must bring my daughter - she is also needed.”

The young man ran to the farm and filled a bucket with dirt. Then he got his wife at home, and the two of them went to the old man’s house.

The father asked his daughter, “When your husband was saving the banana powder, what did you do with the bananas?”

“Why, I sold them,” she said. “That is how we have been able to live. And I saved the rest of the money.”

“May I see it?” said the old man. The young woman and her husband gave each other a quick look – this was strange! But she went home and came back with a large bag.

Then he took the bucket of dirt and emptied it onto the floor. He took the bag and poured the gold coins in a pile, next to the dirt.

“You see,” he said, turning to his son-in-law, “you have turned dirt into gold!”

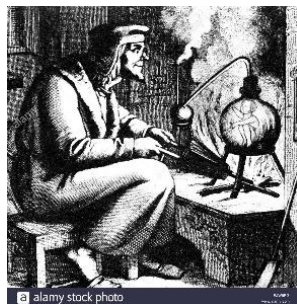
(Source: *storiestogrowby.org*, edited)

Example:

0. **People who try to turn dirt into gold are ...**

- A** called alchemists. ✓
- B** interested in learning about everything.
- C** not very common.

1. The wife was worried because ...
 - A** her husband didn't work enough.
 - B** she was afraid their money would run out one day.
 - C** they didn't have enough money to live.
2. The woman ...
 - A** doubted they could ever get rich.
 - B** stopped talking to her husband.
 - C** thought that nobody could help them.
3. The old man told his son-in-law that ...
 - A** he knew how to obtain gold out of dirt.
 - B** he would only succeed if he worked harder.
 - C** it was impossible to make his dream come true.
4. The silver powder had to be collected ...
 - A** after saying a magic spell.
 - B** from the flower of the banana plant.
 - C** when the banana plants were ripe.
5. The old man offered to ...
 - A** buy some land to grow the banana plants.
 - B** lend the young couple money to start the business.
 - C** pay the rent of some land for the plantation.
6. The two pounds of silver powder were ...
 - A** collected by the young wife.
 - B** kept in a bucket.
 - C** not collected until several years later.
7. The older man wanted to ...
 - A** compare the amount of money and of dirt.
 - B** prove that his alchemy method worked.
 - C** teach his son-in-law a lesson.



COMPRENSIÓN DE TEXTOS ESCRITOS - TAREA 3 (0,5 x 12 = 6 puntos)

Read the following text and choose the best option (A, B or C) for each question. Question 0 has been completed as an example. **WRITE YOUR ANSWERS IN THE CORRESPONDING BOX ON THE ANSWER SHEET PROVIDED.**

INTO THE NIGHT

Why walking in the dark is good for the soul

The lights from the houses disappear as we walk ____ (0) a dark country lane. We take a footpath through a field into the countryside. Thick clouds cover the moon, but my eyes ____ (1) the darkness.

I see a tree bent by the wind and sheep sleeping at the top of a field. A fox cries and the air is ____ (2) of a strong earthy scent.

“For most of history, man lived in close contact with the land,” says Nigel Berman, my guide. “Walking at night is a ____ (3) way of reconnecting with our natural surroundings. When your vision is reduced, your other senses become stronger.”

We have learnt to be afraid of the dark. We connect it with evil and depression, and we ____ (4) with electric lights. But in places where it is dark for much of the winter, the people who live there put on warm clothes, take a head torch and go for a walk.

Now the nights are getting longer, it is the time to go into the countryside, or walk across a(n) ____ (5) beach, to see starlit skies and moonlit rocks, see owls and bats, and breathe in the night air.

Nigel and I walk from Glynde towards Lewes. It’s a walk I know well by day, but at night it becomes a mini adventure.

When Nigel told me ____ (6) bring a torch, I was worried. I can’t remember the last time I used my night vision, and I’m not even sure how it works.

From the top of the hill, we go down into the darker valley, towards the strange light of a pond where we sit down. I feel the breeze on my face, hear the sound of leaves and ____ (7) the clouds moving and changing colour.

____ (8), at this time of night, I have a glass of wine but being out in the countryside is a better way to relax. I forget about work and family problems, and my ____ (9) calms.

It’s important to choose a walk that you know well by day so that you know what features to pick out by night. You should have good navigational ____ (10); wear a hat, gloves, warm clothes; take a flask of hot drink; and wait for good weather.

I hear a ____ (11) unfamiliar bird sound. Nigel tells me it is a raven. We continue walking up the chalk path that leads up Saxon Down. We climb carefully in the dark.

As we ____ (12) the top, the lights of Lewes appear below. I have enjoyed the night walk and am reluctant to walk back down. Walking at night is like discovering a new world.

(Source: Adapted from *The Guardian* by www.onestopenenglish.com, edited)

Example:

0.

- A** *along* ✓
B *by*
C *for*

1.

- A** adjust
B get used to
C shut up

2.

- A** empty
B full
C plenty

3.

- A** low
B narrow
C powerful

4.

- A** keep it away
B slow it down
C take it off

5.

- A** alone
B crowded
C deserted

6.

- A** don't
B I should
C not to

7.

- A** hold
B look
C watch

8.

- A** Ever
B Hardly ever
C Normally

9.

- A** character
B mind
C thought

10.

- A** looks
B manners
C skills

11.

- A** deep
B tall
C thin

12.

- A** depart
B get off
C reach

