

PRUEBAS DE CERTIFICACIÓN

INGLÉS / B1

COMPRENSIÓN DE TEXTOS ORALES SESIÓN ORDINARIA 2025

INSTRUCCIONES PARA LA REALIZACIÓN DE ESTA PARTE

• DURACIÓN: 40 minutos.

- PUNTUACIÓN: A efectos de certificación, será necesario superar todas y cada una de las cinco actividades de lengua con una puntuación mínima del 50% en cada una de ellas y una calificación global final igual o superior al 65%. A efectos de promoción, será necesario obtener una puntuación mínima del 50% en todas y cada una de las cinco actividades de lengua.
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COMISIÓN:	OFICIAL	
CALIFICACIÓN:		

TASK 1

Listen to the recording and match the questions (A-K) to the extract they refer to (1-8). There are <u>TWO extra questions</u>. Answer (0) is an example. Write your answers in the ANSWER BOX (1 item = 0.8).

QUES	STIONS
Α.	Apart from work, what other interests do you have?
В.	Have you got any questions for me?
C.	How did you hear about the position?
D.	Tell me about a challenge you had to deal with.
E.	Tell me about yourself.
F.	What are things you do well or could improve?
G.	Where do you see yourself in the near future?
н.	Why are you interested in the position?
Ι.	Why do you want to leave your current job?
J.	Why do you want to work for our business?
К.	Why should we give you the job?

JOB INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

(Adapted from: youtube.com)

ANSWER BOX									
EXTRACT	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
QUESTION	Е								

Marks 1: /6.4

TASK 2

Listen to the recording and choose the best answer (A, B or C) for each question (9-16). Answer (0) is an example. Write your answers in the ANSWER BOX (1 item = 0.8).

ELVIS PRESLEY

0. According to music industry experts, Elvis Presley...

- A. sold many recordings around the world.
- **B.** was good at a particular style of music.
- **C.** was the most popular American singer.

9. Elvis Presley only...

- A. performed in the United States.
- **B.** recorded his songs in English.
- C. won awards in the United States.

10. Elvis's parents...

- **A.** didn't have a lot of money.
- **B.** listened to a lot of music.
- **C.** were professional singers.

11. Elvis first recorded the song "My Happiness" for...

- **A.** a family member.
- B. a studio employee.
- C. Sun Records.

12. Sam Phillips was looking for someone who...

- A. could play different types of music.
- **B.** had a particular skin color.
- **C.** worked well with other musicians.

13. Elvis Presley was particularly known for...

- A. being popular with adults.
- **B.** how he influenced young people.
- **C.** the way he moved when singing.

14. Elvis appeared in...

- **A.** 19 movies.
- **B.** 31 movies.
- **C.** 58 movies.

15. When Elvis met Priscilla Beaulieu, she was...

- **A.** an officer in the army.
- **B.** living in the same house.
- **C.** staying outside the US.

16. In 1973, Elvis...

- A. made a popular TV program.
- B. recorded his last album.
- **C.** traveled to forty countries.

(Adapted from: manythings.org)

QUESTION	0	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
ANSWER	A								

Marks 2: /6.4

TASK 3

ANSWER BOX

Listen to the recording and complete the missing information in each numbered space (17-25). Use <u>NO MORE THAN THREE WORDS</u> for each space. Answer (0) is an example. Write your answers in the ANSWER BOX (1 item = 0.8).

BOSTON COMMON: AMERICA'S FIRST PUBLIC PARK

•	Early European colonists had to pay a tax of about (0)	in today's money.			
•	They used the money to buy a (17)				
•	Liz Vizza said that Bostonians didn't have (18)	or private outside spaces.			
•	On any given day, it was typical for people to see (19)	taking walks.			
•	Everybody in the area had a right to keep one (20)	per household.			
•	It is estimated that (21) visitors come to t	the park each year.			
•	Vizza says that the park is a place for people to (22)	or just be alone.			
•	The Brewer Fountain won top prize at the 1855 (23)	in Paris.			
•	Vizza wants people to have respect and awareness of the (24)				
•	Vizza's team hopes to have something new in place by (25)	, America's 250 th			

(Adapted from: voanews.com)

ANSWL	N BOX	
GAP	WORDS	
□ 0.	\$70	
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☐ 18.		
☐ 19.		
□ 20.		
□ 21.		
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□ 23.		
□ 24.		
□ 25.		

Marks 3: ____/7.2

TASK 1	TASK 2	TASK 3	TOTAL MARK
			/20

TASK 1 JOB INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

ANSWER BOX									
EXTRACT	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
STATEMENT	E	С	н	к	F	D	G	J	В

DISTRACTORS: A, I

TRANSCRIPT

E. Tell me about yourself.

Today, we're going to talk about job interview questions and a few responses.

0. This usually means you should share what you studied in college, your work experience, any like personal projects you've tried to do or have successfully done, other experience you think is relevant. In an example sentence, well, I got my bachelor's degree in biochemistry.

C. How did you hear about the position?

1. This is where you can explain maybe where you found the information about the job. In a sentence, I found an advertisement about the job on the internet.

H. Why are you interested in the position?

2. This is your chance to explain why you want this job. So, usually you should not say for the money. You should say something in response to this question about your career goals or something very specific about the job that is available there and how you feel your skills are a match for that job.

K. Why should we give you the job?

3. So, this is your opportunity to explain why you feel you are the best candidate for the job. So, if you have any special qualifications, you have certifications, you have specific experience, you have a specific goal in mind, this is the kind of question you can share that information in response to.

F. What are things you do well or could improve?

4. So, strengths means strong points, things you are good at. Weaknesses is your weak points, things you are not very good at. So, for example, I'm very detail-oriented but I often take on too much at one time. So, your good points and your bad points in this question.

D. Tell me about a challenge you had to deal with.

5. So, they want to hear an example from your professional experience about how you solved a problem. What did you do to solve a problem at work? So, in an example, when I was having trouble communicating with a client, I reached out to a co-worker for support.

G. Where do you see yourself in the near future?

6. This question means after five years, five years from this point in time, what is your vision for you? What is your vision of yourself professionally? So, what do you want to have achieved after five years? For example, I see myself in a managerial position in this company, working on multiple projects for multiple markets.

J. Why do you want to work for our business?

7. So, share something about the company that you like, or share something, some reason the company is attractive to you as a candidate. Some reason why you're interested in working at this company specifically.

B. Have you got any questions for me?

8. Interviewers will often ask this question at the end of an interview. Ask your interviewer what it's like to work there, what your interviewer thinks is good about working for the company. Ask something of your interviewer. So, it shows that you are interested in that company, and that you want to learn more and participate more with that company.

(Adapted from: youtube.com/watch?v=jaxgeXPgAz0, 3:18 minutes)

TASK 2 ELVIS PRESLEY

ANSWER BOX									
QUESTION	0	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
ANSWER	Α	В	A	Α	В	С	В	С	Α

TRANSCRIPT

Today we're talking about one of America's most popular singers, Elvis Presley.

Music industry experts say more than one thousand million of Elvis's recordings have sold throughout the world (0). He was a success in many different kinds of music -- popular, country, religious, and rhythm and blues.

Elvis Presley won many awards from nations all over the world, yet **he did not record in any language other than English (9).** He never performed outside the United States, except for three shows in Canada. Yet, his recordings and films have been, and are still, enjoyed by people all over the world.

Elvis Aaron Presley was born in the southern town of Tupelo, Mississippi on January 8th, 1935. **His family** was extremely poor (10). During his childhood, he sang in churches with his parents. He also listened to music that influenced his later singing. Elvis and his family moved to Memphis, Tennessee when he was thirteen.

In 1953, he made his first recording of the song, "My Happiness". Elvis Presley recorded the song at the Memphis Recording Service. **The story is that he paid four dollars to make a recording for his mother (11).** A woman who worked at the public recording studio had another job with a local independent record company called Sun Records. She made a second recording of Elvis's songs because she thought the owner of Sun Records should hear him sing.

The owner of Sun Records, **Sam Phillips, had been looking for a white performer (12)** who could sing black rhythm and blues. He suggested Elvis work with a guitar player and a bass player. Several months later Mr. Phillips agreed to have the group make a record. It was released on July 19th, 1954.

One of Elvis's first new recordings became a huge hit, and led to his many appearances on television. It was "Heartbreak Hotel".

By the middle of the nineteen fifties, **Elvis Presley was known around the world as the young man who moved his hips in a sexual way as he sang rock and roll music (13).** Many adults said he and his music were bad influences on young people. Young women loved him. Huge crowds attended his performances.

He made his first movie in 1956. It was "Love Me Tender." The title song was a big hit.

Elvis Presley was one of the highest paid actors in Hollywood for a number of years in the 1950s. **He acted in thirty-one movies (14).**

In 1958, just as he finished making the movie "King Creole," Elvis received notice that he had to serve in the United States Army.

He was stationed in Germany where he lived in a large house and dated a lot of beautiful women. **One young girl he met in Germany was Priscilla Beaulieu (15)**, the daughter of an Army officer. They married in 1967, when she was twenty-one years old. He was thirty-two. They became parents nine months later of a baby girl, Lisa Marie.

Elvis returned to performing live shows in 1969, in Las Vegas, Nevada. He then traveled around the country performing before huge crowds.

Elvis Presley released many recordings of his performances during the 1970s. He also enjoyed great success on television. His 1973 television show from Hawaii was seen in forty countries by more than one thousand million people (16).

His last record album was called "Moody Blue." He recorded it in 1976.

Elvis Presley died on August 16th, 1977.

Hundreds of thousands of people still visit his home, Graceland, in Memphis every year. Elvis Presley remains the undisputed King of Rock and Roll.

(Adapted from: manythings.org/voa/people/Elvis_Presley.html, 4:07 minutes)

TASK 3 BOSTON COMMON: AMERICA'S FIRST PUBLIC PARK

ANSWE	R BOX
GAP	WORD
0.	\$70
17.	(local) farm
18.	back yards / backyards
19.	(their) neighbors
20.	cow
21.	7 / seven million
22.	celebrate
23.	World's Fair
24.	history
25.	2026

TRANSCRIPT

Almost 400 years ago, America's early European colonists voted to tax each household in Boston about **\$70 (0)** in today's money. The money was used to buy a **local farm (17).** The plan was to use it as a common area for the public.

That is how Boston Common, in the state of Massachusetts, became America's first public park.

Liz Vizza is president of the Friends of the Public Garden, an organization that supports Boston Common. She noted that Bostonians did not have **back yards (18)** – private outdoor spaces behind their homes. Boston Common, she said, became "their common ground. It was a place that everybody owned."

On any given day, colonists walking though Boston Common would see **their neighbors (19)** taking walks. They may also have seen public punishments. Presidents George Washington and John Adams also visited the park.

Visitors would have seen cows, because everyone had the right to keep one **cow (20)** per household in the area.

Friends of the Public Garden estimates that Boston Common sees 7 million (21) visitors each year.

"Boston Common is a central stage of civic life in Boston and it's been that center stage of civic life for hundreds of years, ever since it began as a park in 1634," Vizza said. "America's oldest park is a place where we come to **celebrate (22)**, we come to find a place alone."

Boston Common is home to several large pieces of art. The Brewer Fountain was the park's first public piece of art. It won the top award at the 1855 **World's Fair (23)** in Paris, France.

The pieces of art found on the Common may soon change to include a wider selection of subjects.

Vizza said, "We want people to look at it with new eyes and just have a deeper understanding and respect and awareness of the **history (24)**."

That history includes the native Massachusett tribe, the first people to live where the Common is now. The state of Massachusetts is named after the Massachusett people.

Vizza's team is working with tribal members to develop a piece to recognize the Massachusett tribe. They hope to have something in place by **2026 (25)**, when America will celebrate its 250th birthday.

(Adapted from: learningenglish.voanews.com/a/boston-common-america-s-first-public-park/7393798.html, 2:57 minutes)