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NIVEL B1 COMPRENSION DE TEXTOS ESCRITOS JUNIO 2019

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TASK A \triangleright Read both short stories in TEXT 1 "A proposal to remember & A bag of cash and a heart of gold". For items 1-5, choose the best option (A, B or C). Write your final answers in the grid provided below, as shown in example 0.

5 points

Ex	nple:				
0.	A. engagement	B. marriage	C. compromise		

1.	A. which	B. that	C. where
2.	A. viewed	B. was viewed	C. were viewed
3.	A. except	B. apart	C. including
4.	A. as a result	B. instead	C. on the other hand
5.	A. glory	B. sympathy	C. honesty

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A	A	В	A	В	С	SCORE: / 5
\checkmark						/ 5

TASK B \triangleright Read TEXT 2 "Safety tips for traveling alone". Choose the heading from the list below that best completes each gap. Write your final answers in the grid provided below, as shown in example 0.

10 points

HEADINGS:

A. (EXAMPLE) Where you're staying is personal information

- B. Trust your intuition.
- C. Stay vigilant.
- D. Sleep well.
- E. Walk with confidence.
- F. Don't show jewellery.
- G. Keep your possessions close.
- H. Remember where you are staying.
- I. Don't automatically jump in to help.
- J. Take a break once in a while.
- K. Be careful in crowded places.

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A	D	G	J	С	F	Ε	В	Н	Ι	K	SCORE: / 10	
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TASK C \triangleright Read TEXT 3 "Pepper the robot loses job at grocery store". Mark the sentences below TRUE (T) or FALSE (F). Write your answers in the boxes provided next to each sentence, as shown in example 0.

(EXAMPLE) Robots are not going to replace humans who offer customer service

10 points

0.	in supermarkets anytime soon.		V
1.	Pepper's job in the store was to answer the customers' questions and to make their shopping more enjoyable.	T	
2.	Apart from the job at the grocery store, Pepper is also employed for helping families with their housework.	F	
3.	Humans can speak to Pepper either directly or by using a screen on his body.	Τ	
4.	At first, the employees at Margiotta were really happy with Pepper's work.	Τ	
5.	In general, Pepper's answers to the customers are always accurate and full of details.	F	
6.	Pepper even accompanies customers to all the sections in the grocery store.	F	
7.	On some occasions, customers do NOT receive an answer from Pepper due to some technical difficulties.	T	
8.	Customers preferred the pulled pork that was offered by an employee to the samples that were offered by Fabio.	Τ	
9.	Franco, the owner of the store, is firing Pepper because he is angry with him.	F	
10.	Other companies are testing if Pepper can be of help to their businesses.	Τ	
		sco)RE : / 10

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Text 1: Beautiful stories to make you smile

STORY 1. A PROPOSAL TO REMEMBER

The New York Police Department (NYPD) showed its romantic side by returning a(n) **(D) ENGAGEMENT** ring to a couple who lost it in Times Square right after the proposal. Last Friday, two lovers were strolling through New York when the man got on his knees and proposed. She said yes. But in all the excitement, the man dropped the ring, **(1) WHICH** fell through a grate*. The couple were unable to get the ring back. The whole thing was caught on security camera, and the NYPD made public part of the recording looking for help to find the unlucky couple. The police recovered and cleaned the ring. Fortunately, the video went viral and **(2) WAS VIEWED** by over eight million times. This helped to determine that the pair was John and Daniella, an English couple on vacation from Peterborough, Cambridgeshire. The NYPD later posted an update with a photo of the happy couple. Daniella was wearing her newly recovered ring.

* grate: a structure made of metal bars used to cover a hole.

STORY 2. A BAG OF CASH AND A HEART OF GOLD

If you found a bag with \$17,000 cash, what would you do? Would you take the money and run, or would you return it to its owner? The temptation to keep it would be huge for anyone **3) EXCEPT** for Kevin Booth of Sumner, Washington. He has been homeless for seven and a half years. But when this exact scenario happened to him, he gave the money to the local food bank because it would benefit more people than just himself. Three months ago, Booth found a brown bag outside the food bank's community bread box. He reached inside and pulled out a \$20 bill. As he later confessed, he thought about running away with the money. But he waited for food bank director Anita Miller to arrive and handed the bag to her **(4) INSTEAD**. At first, Miller thought it contained food so she took the sack to weigh it. She was shocked after discovering that it had \$17,000 cash inside. The two called the cops, who looked at the security footage** to try to find the person who had dropped the bag. The police couldn't determine who had left the money. However, under state law, they still waited 90 days for someone to make a claim of ownership. That never happened, so the funds went to the food bank. To thank Booth for his **(5) HONESTY**, the bank rewarded him with part of the money as gift cards and Police Chief Brad Moericke gave him a citizen medal of honor.

** footage: video recording.

Source: Adapted from "10 uplifting stories to get you through the week" <u>http://listverse.com/2018/12/09/10-uplifting-stories-to-get-you-through-the-week-12-9-18/</u>

Text 2: Safety tips for traveling alone

<u>0. Where you're staying is personal information</u>. (EXAMPLE). Don't tell strangers where you're staying either in words or actions. Your accommodation should be your safe haven*.

<u>1. Sleep well</u>. Being well rested makes you more alert. Conversely, if you're overtired or jetlagged you should be aware that you are naturally less alert.

<u>2. Keep your possessions close</u>. Hold your wallet, camera, cell phone/mobile... close to you. Never keep your wallet in your back pocket. Keep the number of things you're most concerned about to a minimum. For me it's my wallet, phone and passport. Having just three things make them easy to carry and keep track of.

<u>3. Take a break once in a while</u>. If you're experiencing traveler's fatigue, join a day tour or cooking class or something that will make for a simple, interesting and relaxing day.

<u>4. Stay vigilant</u>. While it's wonderful to sink into a destination, enjoying its culture, it is also important to be aware of what's going on. Be careful and check your surroundings at all times.

<u>5. Don't show jewellery</u>. Leave expensive things at home. Don't wear expensive clothes/accessories that will attract attention to yourself. Even if they don't go after your accessories, you can become the perfect target for pickpockets.

<u>6. Walk with confidence</u>. In tourist areas such as the Eiffel Tower, walking as a tourist makes sense. However, there are other circumstances where you want to walk like a local, as if you know exactly what you're doing and where you're going. You don't want to look like a tourist.

<u>7. Trust your intuition</u>. If it doesn't feel right, leave. Whether it's a bar or a park or a hostel, if you don't feel good in the situation, it's best to get out of there.

<u>8. Remember where you are staying</u>. Getting back to your hotel or hostel is pretty important but it can be a challenge if you're in a country where you don't speak the language. When you check in, take all the details from the establishment, especially the address, and carry them with you.

<u>9. Don't automatically jump in to help</u>. If you see someone suddenly in need of help, get someone else to go to their aid with you. A local is more able to help and having someone else involved will protect you in case the incident is a trick.

10. Be careful in crowded places. Markets, train stations, large public events... these are the types of places that pickpockets love. Your purse should have a flap** and a zipper. If you carry a backpack, wear it on your front rather than your back in these places. If you insist on carrying a wallet in your pocket, it should be a front pocket not in the back.

^{*} haven: a place where people or animals feel safe, secure and happy.

 $^{^{\}star\star}$ flap: a piece of cloth that can move easily up and down or from side to side.

Source: Adapted from "Solo Traveler: 50+ tips for those who travel alone" <u>https://solotravelerworld.com/travel-safety/</u>

Text 3: Pepper the robot loses job at grocery store

(0) Robots may already be taking our jobs in some industries, but it looks like humans' jobs are still safe. This conclusion comes after watching the tasks carried out by a Pepper robot in a Scottish grocery store.

Pepper, a humanoid robot created by Japanese telecoms giant SoftBank, was put to work in Margiotta Food & Wine in Edinburgh for a whole week, (1) helping customers with inquiries and offering some light entertainment.

Pepper was introduced in Japan in 2015 and (2) is being marketed as an assistant for businesses as well as a companion for families and people who live alone. Standing 120 centimeters tall, (3) the robot can understand speech and respond with his own voice, and also communicate via a tablet on his torso. A set of wheels allows it to move around. For the grocery store trial, Pepper had a chatbot created by a local university so he could have relevant conversations with customers.

(4) Initial reactions to Pepper, or "Fabio", as the staff at Margiotta decide to call him, appear to be mainly positive. "He's just superb," says one shop worker with a warm smile on his face, while the shoppers seem both amused and curious about the latest addition to the team.

Soon, however, (5) it becomes apparent that Fabio is rather limited in the way he can help customers, and his answers don't seem that helpful. For example, when a woman asks where she can find the milk, Fabio says only that it's "in the fridge section," without explaining where the fridge section is, (6) and without taking her there. The same happens when he's asked about wine, answering, "It's in the alcohol section."

(7) Other customers get no response at all from the robot helper, though this is because of the ambient noise in the store, which causes a problem for his microphones. This indicates that Pepper's sensors need to be improved in order to function effectively in noisy surroundings.

The owner of the store, Franco Margiotta, decides to try out Fabio for himself. The final task for Fabio involves offering samples of pulled *pork** to customers, but it soon becomes apparent that shoppers are real experts at completely ignoring the robot, as well as the pulled pork. "It's just a walking sign," says Franco's daughter, Luisa. (8) A member of staff in another part of the store offers the same sample, and has far more success interacting with shoppers and getting them to try the food. The human has clearly beaten the robot in this particular task.

(9) "Unfortunately, Fabio didn't perform as well as we'd hoped," Franco says, and with that, it was time to fire Fabio for his poor performance. "Regarding that contract, I don't think you need to sign it just yet," Franco tells Fabio, to which he responds rather lovingly, "Are you angry?"

Perhaps Pepper isn't quite ready for the shop floor, though (10) a number of companies and organizations are still trying the robot to see how it might fit with their business. And as the technology improves, Pepper and robots like it will inevitably find a growing role in our lives.

Source: Adapted from "Pepper the robot fired from grocery store for not being up to the job" <u>https://www.digitaltrends.com/cool-tech/pepper-robot-grocery-store/</u>

^{*} pulled pork: pork cooked slowly over a low heat until it is tender enough to be pulled into strips, often prepared with a barbecue sauce.

NIVEL B1 COMPRENSION DE TEXTOS ORALES JUNIO 2019

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TASK 1. Marlon Brando

You will hear a recording about film star Marlon Brando. Decide which FIVE of the statements below are TRUE, according to the recording. Write your final answers in the grid provided below, as shown in example 0.

You will hear the recording TWICE.

5 points



0. (EXAMPLE) Marlon Brando was born in Omaha, Nebraska in 1924.

- 1. Marlon's father was a salesman, and his mother was an actress.
- 2. Marlon was the oldest of three siblings.
- 3. Marlon's father did **NOT** get on well with his son.
- 4. Marlon's parents separated and reunited many times.
- 5. When Marlon started attending the military school in Minnesota, he became a better student.
- 6. A teacher at the military school encouraged Marlon to start acting.
- 7. Marlon moved to New York after completing his studies at the military school.
- 8. Stella Adler taught Marlon how to use his own memories and emotions in his acting.
- 9. Marlon improved his acting by observing real tigers in the jungle.
- 10. Marlon acted both in the play and in the movie A Streetcar Named Desire.

Source: <u>http://www.manythings.org/voa/people/Marlon_Brando.html</u>

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TASK 1. Marlon Brando (TRANSCRIPCION)

(0) Marlon Brando was born in Omaha, Nebraska in 1924. He was named after (1) his father, a salesman, but his family called him Bud. (1) <u>His mother, Dorothy, was an actress</u> in the local theater. (2) <u>He had two older sisters.</u>

Marlon Brando's childhood was not happy. His parents drank too much alcohol and argued often. Dorothy Brando blamed her husband for the failure of her acting career. (3) <u>The older</u> <u>Marlon Brando did not have a good relationship with his son</u>. In a book about his life, the actor wrote that his father never had anything good to say about his son.

The Brandos moved many times when Marlon was young. (4) <u>His parents separated when he</u> was eleven, but they reunited after two years. Young Marlon was always getting into trouble at school. His father decided to send him to a military school *in Minnesota.* (5) <u>Marlon did not do</u> well in classes there. But he did find support for his interest in theater. (6) <u>A drama teacher</u> urged him to begin acting in plays there and he did. But (7) he was expelled from the school for getting into trouble.

Marlon Brando moved to New York City when he was 19 years old in 1943. He took acting classes at the New School for Social Research. One of his teachers was (8) <u>Stella Adler, who taught the "Method" style of realistic acting. The Method teaches actors how to use their own memories and emotions to identify with the characters they are playing.</u>

Marlon Brando learned the Method style quickly and easily. Critics say he was probably the greatest Method actor ever. One famous actress commented on his natural ability for it. (9) <u>She said teaching Marlon Brando the Method was like sending a tiger to jungle school.</u>

Marlon Brando appeared in several plays. He got his first major part in a Broadway play in 1947, at the age of 23. **(10)** <u>He received great praise for his powerful performance as Stanley</u> Kowalski in the Tennessee Williams play, *A Streetcar Named Desire*. His fame grew when he acted the same part in the movie version, released in 1951.

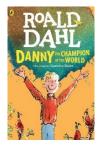
Source: <u>http://www.manythings.org/voa/people/Marlon_Brando.html</u>

TASK 2. Danny, the champion of the world

Listen to Danny talking about his childhood. Decide if the ten statements below are TRUE (T) or FALSE (F). Write your final answers in the boxes provided next to each statement, as shown in example 0.

You will hear the recording TWICE.

10 points



0. (EXAMPLE) Danny's mother died a few months after his birth.	T	\checkmark
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1.	Danny and his father lived in a small cottage behind their filling station*.	F
2.	Danny's father owned a filling station in a busy city street.	F
3.	When Danny was a baby, his father had to stop working to look after him.	F
4.	Danny was never unhappy or sick during his childhood.	Τ
5.	The office at the filling station was full of furniture.	F
6.	Danny's father built the workshop himself, and it was quite firm.	
7.	The workshop was spacious enough to work comfortably in there.	T
8.	The caravan Danny and his father had was over a hundred years old.	T
9.	In the past, the caravan was used to travel all around Europe.	F
10.	The caravan only had one room, but it was quite big.	F

* a filling station: a petrol station

Source: Danny, the champion of the world. Penguin Audiobooks UK. Read by Timothy West



TASK 2. Danny, the champion of the world (TRANSCRIPCION):

(0) <u>When I was four months old, my mother died suddenly</u> and my father was left to look after me all by himself. I had no brothers or sisters. So all through my boyhood, from the age of four months onward, there were just the two of us, my father and me. (1) <u>We lived in an old gipsy caravan behind a filling station</u>. (2) <u>My father owned the filling station and the caravan and a small field behind, but that was about all he owned in the world</u>. It was a very small filling-station on a small country road surrounded by fields and woody hills.

While I was still a baby, my father washed me and fed me and changed my nappies and did all the millions of other things a mother normally does for her child. That is not an easy task for a man, **(3)** <u>especially when he has to earn his living at the same time by repairing motor-car engines and serving customers with petrol</u>. But my father didn't seem to mind. I think that all the love he had felt for my mother when she was alive he now lavished on me. **(4)** <u>During my early years, I never had a moment's unhappiness or illness</u>.

Once I was old enough, I spent all day in the workshop helping my father with the cars. The filling-station itself had only two pumps. There was a wooden shed behind the pumps that served as an office. (5) <u>There was nothing in the office except an old table and a cash register</u> to put the money into. (6) <u>The square brick building to the right of the office was the workshop</u>. My father built that himself with loving care, and it was the only really solid thing in the place. (7) It was a fine workshop, big enough to take one car comfortably and leave plenty of room round the sides for working</u>. It had a telephone so that customers could arrange to bring their cars in for repair.

The caravan was our house and our home. It was a real old gipsy wagon with big wheels and fine patterns painted all over it in yellow and red and blue. (8) My father said it was at least a hundred and fifty years old. Many gipsy children, he said, had been born in it and had grown up within its wooden walls. With a horse to pull it, (9) the old caravan must have wandered for thousands of miles along the roads and lanes of England.

(10) <u>There was only one room in the caravan and it wasn't much bigger than a fair-sized</u> <u>modern bathroom</u>. It was a narrow room, the shape of the caravan itself, and against the back wall were two bunk beds, one above the other. The top one was my father's, the bottom one mine. [...]

Source: Danny, the champion of the world (read by Timothy West). Penguin Audiobooks (UK).

TASK 3. Canada

You will hear an extract from a documentary about Canada. Complete the gaps with ONE suitable word from the recording. Write your final answers in the grid provided below, as shown in example 0.

You will hear the recording TWICE.

10 points



0. (EXAMPLE) Nearly 36 people call Canada their	million	\checkmark
home.		

1. Canada is the second country in the world.	largest
2. Over a half of Canadians hold a college	degree
3. English speakers must learn French in order to encourage	bilingualism
4. Apart from Quebec, Canada has other provinces and three territories.	nine/9
5. Canada is the country with more fresh water in the world.	lakes
6. Canada has the largest unprotected in the world.	border
7 million travellers visit Canada every year.	fifteen/15
8. Canada is ideal if you are a fan of activities.	winter
9. In Canada there are some of the best mountains for skiing and snowboarding.	western
10. Apart from skiing, you can embark on a glacier in Alberta's Icefields Parkway.	tour

Source: *Canada: The Ultimate Travel by Tour Radar* https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RUmAUnL65gU

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TASK 3. Canada (TRANSCRIPCION):

[...] Welcome to Canada. Let's start with the basics. Nearly 36 **<u>0. million</u>** people call Canada their home. While that may sound like a lot of people, the nation covers a massive 9.98 million square kilometers making it the world's second **<u>1. largest</u>** country after Russia. The country also leads the world in education with over half of Canadians holding a college **<u>2. degree</u>**. There are two official languages in Canada: French and English. In primary school, it's a requirement for English speakers to learn French in order to foster **<u>3. bilingualism</u>**. And speaking both languages will come in handy when you visit the predominantly French-speaking province of Quebec. But it's not your only option for a good time, Canada has **<u>4. nine/9</u>** other provinces and 3 territories that its residents call home.

Across this expensive and geographically diverse land mass, where you can find everything from mountain ranges to prairie lands, you'll discover that Canada also has more freshwater **<u>5. lakes</u>** than the rest of the world's lakes combined. So many lakes, in fact, that the country has simply numbered many of them as opposed to providing each of them with their own name. And not only are Canadians some of the friendliest people you'll ever meet, they also share the largest unprotected **<u>6. border</u>** in the world. These days the country is proud to celebrate its impressive backdrop with over **<u>7. fifteen/15</u>** million travelers every year.

Let's find out what adventure awaits you, in Canada. Adrenaline junkies need to look no further to find experiences that are sure to get their hearts thumping in their chests. If you're a fan of **8. winter** activities, then consider yourself especially lucky. In **9. western** Canada there are world-class mountains ripe for skiing and snowboarding. From the famous Whistler Blackcomb to Cypress Mountain and Big White. You can't call yourself a snow bunny if you haven't conquered British Columbia slopes. If an invigoratingly chili hike is more your thing, then embark on a glacier **10. tour**, trekking the rugged 10,000-year-old ice field of Alberta's Icefields Parkway, one of the largest non-polar ice fields in the world. You'll drive, trek and drink from these staggeringly beautiful forces of mother nature. Afterwards, you'll certainly have earned that soak in the Banff's Upper Hot Springs.

Wintertime offers a never-ending itinerary of... [...]

Source: Canada: The Ultimate Travel Guide by Tour Radar <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RUmAUnL65gU</u>