# **IDIOMA: INGLÉS**

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## **DISCURSO CONTINUO**

- 1. Los profesores examinadores entregarán **dos láminas** a cada aspirante para que elija una para realizar el ejercicio.
- 2. Se le indicará que en esta parte del ejercicio tiene que hacer un **monólogo** basado en la lámina que haya escogido para lo que deberá **describir brevemente las imágenes** que componen la lámina y **desarrollar el tema** propuesto por las mismas. Se le indicará que para ello dispone de **tres minutos** aproximadamente.
- 3. Cada aspirante dispondrá de un par de minutos para examinar con calma la lámina y preparar su exposición.
- 4. Una vez comenzada la exposición del aspirante si éste se bloquea, se le podrá hacer alguna pregunta para ayudarle a continuar, pero sin convertir esta parte de la prueba en un ejercicio de interacción.

	ТЕМА
1	WHAT MAKES SOMEONE BEAUTIFUL?
2	ARE CITIES ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY?
3	FIRST WORLD VS. THIRD WORLD
4	FAMILY TIES
5	EATING HABITS
6	CULTURES ARE LOSING THEIR IDENTITIES
7	YOUR PERFECT HOLIDAY
8	HOUSE AND HOME?
9	HOW HAVE TECHNOLOGIES CHANGED?
10	SHOPPING HABITS
11	THE SHOW BUSINESS
12	SPORTS AND DOPING
13	THE MEDIA: HOW DO YOU KEEP UP-TO-DATE?
14	ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

## WHAT MAKES SOMEONE BEAUTIFUL?

Describe these pictures and talk about the topic suggested





## ARE CITIES ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY? Describe these pictures and talk about the topic suggested





### FIRST WORLD vs. THIRD WORLD Describe these pictures and talk about the topic suggested





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#### **EATING HABITS**

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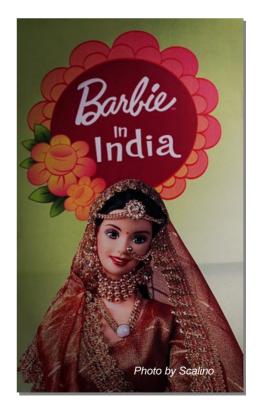
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## CULTURES ARE LOSING THEIR IDENTITIES Describe these pictures and talk about the topic suggested







### YOUR PERFECT HOLIDAY Describe these pictures and talk about the topic suggested

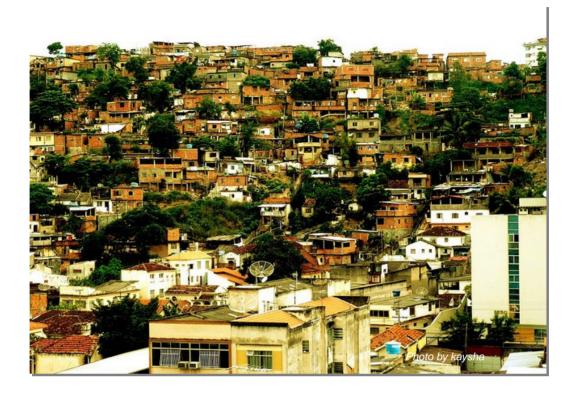






#### HOUSE AND HOME?

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### HOW HAVE TECNOLOGIES CHANGED? Describe these pictures and talk about the topic suggested





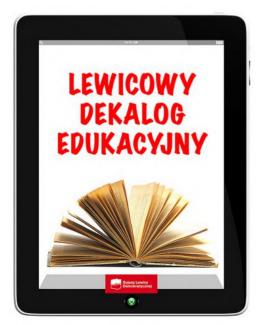


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#### **SHOPPING HABITS**

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#### THE SHOW BUSINESS

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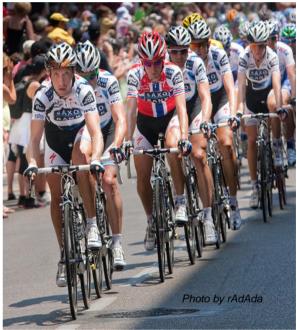




#### **SPORTS AND DOPING**

#### Describe these pictures and talk about the topic suggested







## THE MEDIA: HOW DO YOU KEEP UP-TO-DATE? Describe these pictures and talk about the topic suggested





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## ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

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# **INTERACCIÓN ORAL**

Para el ejercicio de interacción se plantean una serie de preguntas para cada uno de los temas especificados en la tabla.

No es imprescindible preguntar todas las preguntas propuestas ni seguir el mismo orden que se propone ya que la finalidad de este ejercicio es valorar la capacidad del aspirante para interactuar de manera activa en una conversación.

- 1. Se indicará al aspirante que en esta parte del ejercicio tiene que participar en un diálogo sobre el tema elegido por el profesorado examinador.
- 2. Se le indicará la importancia de involucrarse en la conversación.
- 3. Se le recomendará que desarrolle sus respuestas.

	ТЕМА
1	TRAVELLING
2	THE MEDIA
3	CRIME
4	SHOPPING
5	TECHNOLOGIES
6	CLOTHES AND FASHION
7	HOUSING
8	WORK
9	EDUCATION
10	LANGUAGES
11	HEALTH
12	ENVIRONMENT AND POLLUTION
13	SPORTS
14	MONEY

#### TRAVELLING

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about TRAVELLING. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. Which means of transport do you prefer and why?
- 2. What has been the most frightening travelling experience you have ever had?
- 3. Do you prefer beach holidays, city breaks, resorts or adventure holidays? Can you tell me the advantages and disadvantages of these types of holidays?
- 4. Do you pack a lot of things or just the basics?
- 5. Do you prefer to travel alone or in a group? Why?
- 6. Is there any difference between young tourists and adult tourists?
- 7. What are the enjoyable and the irritating aspects of travelling with children?
- 8. What do you think are the five most interesting touristic attractions in your country?
- 9. What is the most interesting souvenir you have ever bought on one of your holidays?
- 10. Do you think that travel agencies are at risk? Why? Why not?

#### THE MEDIA

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about THE MEDIA. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. How many TV channels do you watch? Do you think that more TV channels mean more variety and better programmes?
- 2. What kind of programmes do you enjoy / hate?
- 3. What do you think of the standard of TV programmes in general?
- 4. Do you normally change channels when the adverts come on? Why? Why not?
- 5. What do you think of TV shows that are designed to "discover new talent"?
- 6. Do you think that TV, radio and the Internet have made newspapers irrelevant? Explain your answer.
- 7. Do you ever read newspapers? Do you read them online? Why? Why not?
- 8. Do you always follow the same news bulletin and weather forecast? Explain your answer.
- 9. Do you think the Internet is a reliable source of information? Explain your answer.

#### CRIME

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about CRIME. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. What crimes have been on the news recently?
- 2. Do you know anyone who has been robbed or burgled? What happened?
- 3. Have you, or anyone you know, been stopped by the police when driving? If not, why are people usually stopped by the police when driving?
- 4. How can your prevent things from being stolen?
- 5. Can you describe a time when you cheated and it helped you?
- 6. What would you do if you saw somebody shoplifting?
- 7. Do you think graffiti is vandalism or art? Explain your answer.
- 8. Do you think that having trials with a jury is a good system? Would you like to be a member of a jury? Why? Why not?
- 9. In your opinion, what kinds of crime are likely to decrease in the future? And to increase?

#### SHOPPING

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about SHOPPING. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. Have you ever wasted money on something?
- 2. What do you prefer, small shops or shopping centres?
- 3. Do you tend to buy local products? Explain your answer.
- 4. Are you willing to pay more for food that is really organic? Why? How much more? Why not?
- 5. Are credit cards a good thing? Have you ever had a problem with them?
- 6. When you buy something, which features are most important to you: price, quality, fashion trends...?
- 7. Do you ever return or re-gift presents? Explain your answer.
- 8. Have you ever sold anything online? If so, what was it? If not, why do you think some people do it? Is it a good idea?
- 9. What is something you would like to buy but you think you never will. Why not?
- 10. Are there any items you have bought because of the adverts? Why? Why not?
- 11. Have you ever bought anything which wasn't as good as the advert led you to believe? Explain your answer.

#### **TECHNOLOGIES**

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about TECHNOLOGIES. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. Do you think modern technology reduces or increases stress? Why?
- 2. What social changes have new technologies encouraged or produced?
- 3. How do you think face to face communication differs from communication using computers?
- 4. How has studying (a degree, a foreign language...) changed with the use of new technologies?
- 5. What do you think robots should be used for? Will they cause unemployment or produce more work? Why?
- 6. At what age do you think you should be allowed to have a mobile phone?
- 7. Do you think texting is destroying the language or just enriching it?
- 8. Do you have a facebook account? What is the best and the worst thing about it? Do you accept any friend requests? What kind of information do you feel comfortable releasing to the public?
- 9. In which ways can new technologies and social networking invade people's privacy?
- 10. Do you think the government has the right to read your emails?

# INTERACCIÓN TRIBUNAL-ASPIRANTES CLOTHES AND FASHION

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about CLOTHES AND FASHION. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. Do people tend to judge others by the way they dress? Do you do that? Explain your answer.
- Do you think the way you dress reflects the way you are? And the way you feel? Explain your answer.
- 3. Do people in your country have a reputation for dressing well or badly? Explain your answer.
- 4. In your country, are there any social conventions about what NOT to wear at some events? Can you tell me about it?
- 5. Do you think people should be allowed to wear casual clothes to work? Why? Why not?
- 6. Do you think women pay more attention to their appearance than men, or vice versa? Explain your answer.
- 7. Do you know what are the current "tribes" of young people (or any "tribes")? What do they wear? Do you like the way they dress?
- Have you ever bought something that you later decided didn't look good on you? Explain your answer.
- 9. Would you ever buy / wear second hand clothes? Explain your answer.
- 10. What do you think about tattoos? Would you ever consider having one done?

#### HOUSING

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about HOUSING. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. What would your dream house be like? What facilities and features would it include?
- 2. What makes a house a home? Is your house comfortable? If so, what makes it comfortable? What would make it more confortable?
- 3. What things in your home couldn't you live without?
- 4. Have you ever shared a house with anyone? What are the advantages and disadvantages of sharing a flat or a house with other people?
- 5. Describe your ideal neighbours.
- 6. What are the most important things you would look for when choosing a house to live in?
- 7. In your opinion what is best, renting a property or buying one? What are the advantages and disadvantages of each alternative?
- 8. What are the best and worst things about your hometown?
- 9. Would you like to own a holiday home? In what ways is a holiday home different from the one where you regularly live?
- 10. When people move house they usually throw away things they no longer need. What things would you throw away? What items would you definitely keep?

#### WORK

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about WORK. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. What would be your "dream job"? Why?
- 2. How would you define "work satisfaction"?
- 3. What jobs are considered good jobs? Do you think that some of these jobs are overpaid / underpaid?
- 4. Would you like to work from home? Why? Why not?
- 5. Do you know anyone who is self-employed? What does he / she do? What are the advantages and disadvantages of doing so?
- 6. Many people have to move to different regions or countries because of their job. Would you be prepared to move to a different place? How far would you be prepared to go?
- 7. Is it common for men and women to have the same jobs in your country?
- 8. In general, do you think that academic education prepares you for work?
- 9. Do you think people over 65 should be made to retire?

#### **EDUCATION**

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about EDUCATION. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. What kind of school did you attend? What are your memories from those times?
- 2. Some people think private schools are better than state schools, what is your opinion about this?
- 3. Do you agree that schooling should be compulsory up to a certain age? If so, what would this age be? / If not, Why?
- 4. Do you think that the government really cares about education? Why? Why not?
- 5. What do you think about the level of education in Spain? If you could, what would you change about the education system?
- 6. Are tuition fees reasonable in Spain? Is it easy to get scholarships or government grants?
- 7. In some places parents opt for homeschooling as an alternative to schools. What is your opinion about this? What are the advantages and disadvantages of this type of education?
- 8. How have new technologies changed education? What do you think of the idea of all education being online?
- 9. Would you like to work in education? Why? Why not?

#### LANGUAGES

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about LANGUAGES. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. Why are you studying English?
- Do you think English is a difficult language to learn? How often do you practice it?
  What is your favourite way to practice it?
- 3. What kind of advice would you give to someone who wants to learn English?
- 4. Do you ever watch series or films in the original version? If so, how often? Does it help you to learn another language? Do you think the Internet is a useful tool for learning English? If so, how do you use it?
- 5. English is regarded as a global language, what are the advantages and disadvantages of having a universal language? Do you think English could be that universal language?
- 6. What is your opinion about bilingual schools?
- 7. Do you think some languages are more important than others? Why do you think so?
- 8. Would you ever want to learn a third language? Which one and why?
- 9. Do you think some languages will eventually die out? Could it be prevented? Should governments have programmes to protect minority languages, or should we accept that they will die out?
- 10. To speak any language well, how important is it to know something about the culture of the country/countries where it is spoken?

#### HEALTH

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about HEALTH. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. Do you consider yourself a healthy person? Why? Why not?
- 2. What about your diet? Do you really pay attention to what you eat?
- 3. Is obesity a great problem where you live? Apparenty, more and more Spanish children are becoming obese. What do you think is the reason for this? What would you do to stop this problem?
- 4. Do you agree with the saying "Eat your breakfast, share your lunch with a friend and give dinner to your enemy"? What do you think it means?
- 5. Do you think life is more stressful today than fifty years ago? When do you feel stressed and how does stress affect you? What do you do to overcome stress?
- 6. How do you think body and mind are connected?
- 7. What is your opinion about alternative medicine?
- 8. Do you smoke? Do you think tobacco companies should be responsible for a person's addiction to nicotine?
- 9. What is the health system like in your country? Do you think it can be improved? If so, how?

# INTERACCIÓN TRIBUNAL-ASPIRANTES ENVIRONMENT AND POLLUTION

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- 1. Are you really worried about the environment? What do you think is the most important issue facing the environment today?
- 2. How is pollution affecting our world today?
- 3. What do you do to protect the environment?
- 4. Who do you think is more responsible for pollution, individual people or governments? Explain. Do you know any anti-pollution programmes in our country?
- 5. Do you know what global warming is? Is it really happening? Why?
- 6. If you could choose one alternative energy source to develop in your country, which one would you choose and why?
- 7. What is your opinion about nuclear power? Is it safe?
- 8. Which is more important, increasing people's standard of living or protecting the environment?
- 9. We all know that cars pollute quite a lot so, should petrol be more expensive?

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about SPORTS. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. Do you play any sports? If not, how often do you exercise?
- 2. What are the benefits of sports?
- 3. Is there any sport which you would like to take up? What qualities or strenghts would you need to have? Are there any dangers involved?
- 4. Is it true that people playing team sports work better as a team at work?
- 5. Did you play any sport when you were at school? Should P.E. be compulsory at school?
- 6. Are parents nowadays too involved in their children's sports activities?
- 7. Do you think that professional sportspeople earn too much money?
- 8. Is it fair that sportspeople are treated as role models all over the World? Explain your answer.
- 9. Are sports given too much importance in your country? Explain your answer.
- 10. Lots of sportspeople are accused of taking performance-enhancing drugs. What is your opinion on this issue?

#### MONEY

In this part of the test we are having a conversation about MONEY. I am going to ask some questions that you are expected to answer. Try not to use monosyllabic answers, but to build up your responses; please show interest and take active part in the conversation.

- 1. How important is money to you? If you had no money, do you think you could be happy?
- 2. What would you do if you had €1million?
- 3. What different methods of payment do you know (cash, credit cards...) Which of them are used more widely in your country? What are their advantages and disadvantages?
- 4. There is an English proverb which says "time is money" do you agree with it?
- 5. Do you think that riches can have a bad effect on a person? Explain your answer.
- 6. Should children be given an allowance (pocket money) from their parents? If so, how much?
- Is it common to tip people in your country? Do you think tipping is a good idea? Explain your answer.
- 8. Do you give money to some charities? Why? Why not?
- 9. Do you remember what you bought with your first salary?
- 10. If you inherited a large amount of money, what would be the first thing you would do with it?
- 11. What is the most ridiculous tax in your country (past or present)?