

CERTIFICADO DE NIVEL AVANZADO (B2) DE INGLÉS

CONVOCATORIA PARA POBLACIÓN ESCOLAR
2017

COMPRENSIÓN DE LECTURA

CUMPLIMENTE LOS SIGUIENTES DATOS:

APELLIDOS: _____

NOMBRE: _____

INSTRUCCIONES PARA REALIZAR ESTA PARTE:

DURACIÓN: 65 minutos

- Esta parte consta de dos tareas. Lea las instrucciones al principio de cada tarea y realícela según se indica.
- Las respuestas escritas a lápiz o en tinta roja no se calificarán.
- No está permitido el uso del diccionario.
- El uso del teléfono móvil queda prohibido durante toda la prueba y tendrá que permanecer apagado y guardado.
- **Atención:** No escriba en los recuadros sombreados; son espacios reservados para la calificación de las tareas.

PUNTUACIÓN: / 10



TASK 1 (5 x 1 point = 5 points)

Read the following text about a gap year (a year without working or going to school to normally find yourself, travel, decide about your future, etc.) and choose the best heading A-I from the list below for each paragraph. There are three extra headings you will not need. Number 0 is given as an example.

Please transfer your answers to the answer sheet.

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5 REASONS TO TAKE A GAP YEAR!

Here's a few reasons you might want to take the leap!

0. You (might) perform better academically

The stereotype for gap year students can be long-haired hippy-types wandering round Thailand trying to 'find themselves'. However, the truth is you could actually end up finding some more braincells while you're out exploring the world.

1. _____

Travelling abroad doesn't just open your eyes to new experiences and knowledge but also to new people! During your travels you'll probably come across people of all backgrounds and diversities, some that you may never have come across before. What's that old saying about finding love when you least expect it? Don't rule out meeting the perfect match whilst you're hitchhiking up a mountain trail in Chile or canoeing through an Amazonian rainforest!

2. _____

One of the most obvious positives to taking a gap year is the ability to do whatever you please with your time. However, why waste it? Whether you're choosing to spend the majority of the time hibernating in your house, or you plan to travel abroad, you can still use your time valuably by learning a language. Whether you're bilingual, trilingual or just stupidly academic, having an extra language on your university application or CV will be like a shiny star on a school essay – and it'll definitely catch the attention of future employers.

3. _____

As you grow older and wiser you'll realise the world isn't as big as you first thought. The idea of travel suddenly seems much more appealing, especially when you consider the



idea of living abroad somewhere! Unfortunately it's not that easy to get your backpack and move instantly, so taking a gap year out and travelling will allow you to see other parts of the world without committing to anything. This way it's like an extremely enjoyable house hunting holiday! At the end of the day even if you decide to stay where you are, at least you've had a great adventure along the way.

4. _____

One of the most valuable and unattainable things in life is time, you can't get it back and you can't bottle it; so sometimes it's good to just take a break and allow yourself time to do as you please. Taking a gap year not only allows you to experience new things, but also you get to spend time on yourself, something we very rarely get a chance to do. Use this time out to think about the way your life is going right now; what would you like to change, alter or sustain? You'll be pleasantly surprised when you discover how many home truths you realise when you just sit and think for a while! Use this time to better understand yourself and your needs, we promise you won't regret it!

5. _____

It's worth remembering that Coventry University gives every single student the support to find international experiences through internships with global companies or a period of study abroad. Also, with our fantastic [Global Leaders Programme](#), our [add+vantage language courses](#) and our [exchange programs](#) it's clear you don't need a gap year to travel the world.

Adapted from <http://blogs.coventry.ac.uk/uncovered/2015/06/03/5-reasons-to-take-a-gap-year/>

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G.	You could meet your special someone.
H.	<i>You might perform better academically.</i>
I.	You might want to move after visiting.

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TASK 2 (5 x 1 points) = 5 points)

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PRESENT AND PAST OF TEENAGE GIRLS' READING HABITS

By [Alice Vincent](#), Entertainment writer

On 11 January, 1964, a new magazine burst into newsagents nationwide: *Jackie*. With its “Cathy and Claire problem” page and exciting mix of gossip and beginner beauty tips, the magazine caused a stir among girls embarking upon their teenage years. It was also avidly discussed by their parents.

Young women of the mid-Sixties and Seventies – when circulation rose to more than 600,000 copies per week – would gather around the magazine in classrooms or at sleepovers, “pouring over the problem page”, according to my mother, who turned 11 a week before the first copy hit the shelves. While she was allowed the luxury of having *Jackie* delivered in the family paper round, many others had to hide it - in the case of [Twitter user Holly Smale](#), under her pillow - from disapproving parents. One forum member posted on the Gransnet website: “I remember banning my daughters from reading *Jackie* - I was horrified one week when reading the problem page.”

Nearly five decades later, children’s author Jacqueline Wilson, has recognised the change in teen editorial content today. Wilson worked at DC Thomson, *Jackie*’s publisher, [aged 17 and commented in 2009](#): “*Jackie* was considered a bit outrageous in its day, but if we could have seen some of the articles in teenage magazines now, we would have been amazed.”

Magazine circulation figures in 2013 continued to drop, and it’s not surprising considering the online-focused reading habits of teenage girls today. The mysteries of adolescence can potentially be unraveled with a specific Google search and click of a button, and with the resulting answers being sorted by a computer algorithm, brand loyalty to magazines seems a distant concept for the teens I asked about their reading habits. Of the nine I asked, between the ages of 12 and 18, just one said she was loyal to a particular brand of magazine: Ruby, aged 14, is a fan of Company Magazine and certain blogs.

One of *Jackie*’s major unique selling points was the “Cathy and Claire problem” page. But most of these young women said they didn’t have an interest in modern magazine’s problem pages, described by one as “quite depressing” and instead said they asked their



friends or sometimes Google for advice. One recipient admitted that the problem pages generated by a Google search offered comfort in presenting “someone else with the same problem as me”.

Adapted from: <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/culture/culturenews/10563790/Jackie-magazine-50-years-on-what-teenage-girls-read-today.html>

0.	<i>The Jackie magazine was first released in 1964</i>
1.	The magazine was widely accepted by both teenagers and parents.
2.	Cathy and Claire are two examples of teenage girls who used to read the magazine.
3.	Girls used to take the magazine with them everywhere.
4.	The most controversial section was the “problem page”.
5.	Girls magazines haven't changed much throughout the years.
6.	According to Jaqueline Wilson present and past magazines are equally shocking in their contents.
7.	Girls nowadays share their problems only with their friends.
8.	Most girls don't follow any particular magazine.
9.	When looking for advice, young women resort to Google sometimes.
10	Some teenage girls now feel more at ease with Google results for problem pages.

TRUE	
0	✓



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HOJA DE RESPUESTAS

NOMBRE Y APELLIDOS: _____

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CLAVE PARA EL PROFESORADO

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0.	<i>H</i>	✓
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5.	B	✓

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9	✓
10	✓

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