

CERTIFICADO DE NIVEL INTERMEDIO B2

IDIOMA: INGLÉS

CONVOCATORIA ORDINARIA - 2022

COMPRENSIÓN DE TEXTOS ESCRITOS

INSTRUCCIONES PARA REALIZAR ESTA PARTE:

DURACIÓN: 85 minutos

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- **Atención: Escriba sus respuestas en la hoja de respuestas. Las respuestas escritas en este documento no se corregirán.**



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TAREAS

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TASK 1 (6 x 0.4 points = 2,4 points)

Read the texts describing places to visit (1-6) and match them with the phrases (B-J). There are THREE phrases you do NOT need. Write your answers in the table on the ANSWER SHEET. Text 0 is an example.

THE MOST AMAZING PLACES TO VISIT IN BRITAIN

0. Glasgow Science Center

The hundred-meter-high Glasgow tower ... is the world's only tall structure that can rotate 360° from the ground up. ... Inside, there are four floors of displays and hands-on exhibits offering insights into the world of science, health and medicine and the environment.

1. Shugborough

This 18th century mansion contains collections of ceramics, French furniture, silver and paintings. ... In the park there is a replica Georgian farm. But it is the estate's ornamental architecture that leaves the most lasting impression.

2. Packwood House

Graham Baron Ash, the wealthy son of a Birmingham industrialist, restored 16th century Packwood House in the 1930s: it contains his collection of furniture, tapestries and paintings.

3. Mr. Straw's House

After William Straw and his wife died, their sons, William and Walter, kept everything exactly as Dad and Mum had left it ... Nothing was thrown out either – as shelves lined with ancient tins of treacle and bottles of solid cream... testify.



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4. Buckfast Abbey

On first sight the grey and gold tower and blue limestone walls of Buckfast Abbey look as if they must have been standing among Devon fields and woods for at least 700 years. But this lovely church is less than a century old, part of a monastery abandoned in 1539.

5. Blickling Hall

The hall was built in 1616-28 on the site of Anne Boleyn's childhood home. Huge yew hedges frame the view of the symmetrical, red brick Jacobean mansion from the drive. It is homely looking in spite of its size, and surrounded by vivid flower gardens.

6. Jumbo Water Tower

You can't miss it. This grand and grotesque Victorian water tower at the top of a hill is 40m above Colchester. When construction began in 1882, Jumbo the London Zoo elephant was sold to New York. A local rector, whose house was near the tower, said, 'Never mind, now I have a Jumbo in my own garden.'

The Most Amazing Places to Visit in Britain (Readers Digest ISBN 978-0-276-44176-9)



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NOMBRE: _____

TASK 2 (9 x 0.4 points = 3,6 points)

Read the text below. Fill in the gaps with one suitable word from the WORD BANK provided. There are THREE extra words you do not need. Write your answers in the table on the ANSWER SHEET. Item 0 is given as an example.

What is England's sugar target and why has the food industry missed it?

According to a damning report from Public Health England, the food industry has **failed** (0) to meet a voluntary target to remove 20% of sugar by 2020.

The government's sugar reduction plan is a voluntary _____ (1) with the food and drinks industry – though not alcoholic drinks – that is based on advice from Public Health England, which also monitors it. Companies making processed foods [...] were asked in 2016 to find ways to cut the _____ (2) of sugar they use and we eat.

PHE set a target of a 20% reduction in sugar by 2020. [...] It's a central part of the government's anti-obesity strategy. We eat twice as much sugar as is _____ (3) for us, according to PHE.

The sugary drinks tax is part of the sugar reduction programme, but fundamentally different because it is _____ (4). It is a levy brought in by the Treasury in 2018 on soft drinks such as colas and lemonade that exceed certain levels of sugar [...]. Soft drinks manufacturers responded in various ways. Some reformulated to escape the tax, using sweeteners usually to replace sugar. Some changed the size of the bottle or can to avoid a price hike for consumers. Coca-Cola did for its classic variety rather than risk changing the taste – and unwilling to change the product internationally – while promoting Coke Zero as an alternative. _____ (5) sugar levels in soft drinks fell by 44% between 2015 and 2019.

The latest PHE report shows that in the three years since the programme was _____ (6) there has been an overall cut of 3% in sugar. Nowhere near the 20% target.

It's harder to reformulate some food products than it is to change soft drinks. It's not just the taste that can be altered. Cakes need sugar to _____ (7). In other foods it gives bulk or adds



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crunch.

Sweeteners don't do the same job. It's been easier in breakfast cereals, yoghurts and fromage frais, which have all managed an overall cut in sugar. It's much harder in sweets and chocolate, where some companies have hunted for technological answers while others have _____ (8) to smaller portion sizes to reduce our sugar intake. Overall, sugar in sweets has actually risen between 2015 and 2019.

Some companies have tried but others have not. That's why obesity campaigners are calling for mandatory sugar cuts instead of the voluntary _____ (9). This government [...] has taken other actions such as restricting ads for junk food on TV and Bogof (buy one get one free) offers on unhealthy foods, but it will be reluctant to upset the food industry further with taxes.

The Guardian
Sarah Boseley



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**Exams, rules, timetables: do teachers know what's best for children?
Increasing numbers of British parents don't think so.**

The home-schooling movement emerged in the 1970s, when it was considered a fringe pursuit. Today, it is probably the fastest-growing form of education in the UK. The number of home-schooled children has risen by about 40% over three years, according to recent research by the BBC. [...]

Many parents who opt to home-school their children say they are avoiding bullying, exam pressure and stress. Others have concerns about special educational needs, not getting a place at the school of their choice, or the school environment.

Helen Lees, a specialist in alternative Education at York St John University, believes the increase suggests "something quite worrying about the state of the education system. I'm not sure having 30 children in a classroom all doing the same thing works any more. Not with the way the classroom is structured, and the way the curriculum is followed."

Changes in technology have made it easier to teach out of the classroom, [...] The father of "unschooling" US author and educator John Holt in the 1970s believed that if you give a child the freedom to follow their own interests, and a rich assortment of resources, they will do the actual learning themselves.

There are families that dip into home-education for short periods – to get into competitive secondary schools, or retake A-levels, for example. For others it is not just an interlude; it's their lives.

[...]

A recent report by the National Association of Head Teachers union highlights the pressure on headteachers to get good results on pain of being forced out, and how the emphasis on test results



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has narrowed the curriculum and made “drilling” for key stage 2 Sats* common. Children take the test when they’re around 11 and are prepared with revision classes and practice tests, sometimes even during the Easter holidays.

Critics argue that the “cocooning” desire of some home-schooling parents is fuelled by a romanticised vision of the past. “It is not just about seeking an escape from the problems of the ‘city’ (a metaphor for danger and heterogeneity), it is a rejection of the entire idea of a city, writes educational theorist Michael Apple. He likens home-schooling to a “gated community”, mirroring the filter bubbles that have been created by the internet [...] and says, schools “provide a kind of ‘social glue’, a common cultural reference point in our polyglot, increasingly multicultural society.”

* SATs: external marked National Curriculum Tests

Adapted from *The Guardian*
By Sally Williams

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COMPRENSIÓN DE TEXTOS ESCRITOS

CUMPLIMENTE LOS SIGUIENTES DATOS:

APELLIDOS: _____

NOMBRE: _____

ASPIRANTE: Libre Escolarizado Grupo: _____

(Marque con una X la respuesta que corresponda)

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HOJA DE RESPUESTAS

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NOTA

| | PHRASES |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| A. | All round views |
| B. | A beautiful building |
| C. | A bigger place than before |
| D. | A time capsule |
| E. | An improvement has been made |
| F. | Beautiful from the entrance |
| G. | Big and ugly |
| H. | Newer than it looks |
| I. | Quieter than before |
| J. | Still residential |

| Text | 0. | 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5. | 6. |
|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Phrase | A | | | | | | |
| | ✓ | | | | | | |

TASK 2 (9 x 0,4 = 3,6 points)

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NOTA

| WORD BANK | | | | |
|-----------|---------------|---------|---------|----------|
| amount | arrangements | average | deal | disorder |
| eager | failed | face | healthy | launched |
| mandatory | resorted | rise | | |

| | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---|----|--|----|--|----|--|
| 0. <i>failed</i> | ✓ | | | | | | |
| 1. | | 2. | | 3. | | 4. | |
| 5. | | 6. | | 7. | | 8. | |
| 9. | | | | | | | |

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Read this text and decide which of these sentences (1-10) are true or false. Write T (TRUE) or F (FALSE) in the table on the ANSWER SHEET. Sentence 0 in an example.

NOTA

| | Sentences |
|-----|---|
| 0. | <i>The number of home-schooled children grew fast in the 1970s.</i> |
| 1. | Helen Less implies that the growth of homeschooling casts doubts on the Education System. |
| 2. | Some parents choose homeschooling as school can be intimidating for some children. |
| 3. | Helen Less claims that schools should avoid departing from the official syllabus. |
| 4. | There are parents who expect homeschoolers to get higher exam results. |
| 5. | Parents union forces school headmasters or headmistress to achieve better exam results. |
| 6. | Repetitive skills training to improve children's performance is part of the National Curriculum. |
| 7. | The attention to outcome-based evaluations has raised educational standards. |
| 8. | Michael Apple holds his firm belief in home-schooling and its benefits. |
| 9. | Michael Apple sees homeschooled children as a community willing to consider other people's views. |
| 10. | Michael Apple maintains that Schools create a sense of belonging in our contemporary diverse society. |

| | T/F | |
|-----|-----|---|
| 0. | F | ✓ |
| 1. | | |
| 2. | | |
| 3. | | |
| 4. | | |
| 5. | | |
| 6. | | |
| 7. | | |
| 8. | | |
| 9. | | |
| 10. | | |

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CLAVE DE RESPUESTAS**

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| Text | 0. | 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5. | 6. |
|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Phrase | A | B | E | D | H | F | G |
| | ✓ | | | | | | |

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|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|-----|
| N.º respuestas correctas | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| puntuación | 0,4 | 0,8 | 1,2 | 1,6 | 2 | 2,4 |

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| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|---|-------------|--|------------|--|--------------|--|--|--|
| 0. failed | ✓ | | | | | | | | |
| 1. deal | | 2. amount | | 3. healthy | | 4. mandatory | | | |
| 5. average | | 6. launched | | 7. rise | | 8. resorted | | | |
| 9. arrangements | | | | | | | | | |

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|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| N.º respuestas correctas | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| puntuación | 0,4 | 0,8 | 1,2 | 1,6 | 2 | 2,4 | 2,8 | 3,2 | 3,6 |

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|----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| T/F | F | T | T | F | T | F | F | F | F | F | T |
| | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | |

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|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| N.º respuestas correctas | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| puntuación | 0,4 | 0,8 | 1,2 | 1,6 | 2 | 2,4 | 2,8 | 3,2 | 3,6 | 4 |