

DEPARTAMENTO DE INGLÉS  
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## **Nivel Intermedio B2**

### **LISTENING COMPREHENSION**

Este es un modelo que informa sobre el nivel de la prueba. Consta de 15 items. El examen real consta de 25 items, tal como se indica en la Guía de Examen publicada en esta misma página.



**PART ONE (5 x 5 marks = 5 marks)**

Listen to the following extracts (1 – 5) and match them to the corresponding statements (A - H). Then write the letter in the corresponding white box. There are three statements you do not need. You now have 30 seconds to read the statements.

<b>MARK</b>

***What's in the news?***

- A.- Controversial decision on traffic control.**
- B.- Financial entity refuses government aid.**
- C.- Mistakes in categorising crimes.**
- D.- Parents against sex lessons for youngsters.**
- E.- Politicians against a third airport.**
- F.- Obligatory contents for school syllabus.**
- G.-Radio scandal sparks different reactions on decency.**
- H.- World crisis also hits Middle East.**

<b>EXTRACT</b>	<b>LETTER</b>	
<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b>		
<b>4</b>		
<b>5</b>		

**PART TWO (5 x 1 marks = 5 marks)**

Listen to the following passage and complete the sentences by choosing the best option (a, b or c). You now have two minutes to read the questions.

<b>MARK</b>

***Interview: Emma Nicholson on Religion***

**1) To explain why Britain is highly secular according to a BBC poll, Nicholson claims that**

- a) most polls give completely the opposite view.
- b) no single explanation is valid.
- c) the BBC poll is unreliable.


**2) According to Nicholson, the European Union wide surveys conclude that**

- a) Britain is a multicultural society.
- b) Britain is less Christian than most polls say.
- c) Europeans are still very Christian


**3) According to the interviewer, Nicholson has vast experience with people through her work**

- a) as a campaigner for ethnic minorities.
- b) as a government minister.
- c) in favour of human rights.


**4) According to the largest poll ever conducted, the“Millennium Poll”,**

- a) Muslims considered family as important as religion.
- b) Muslims considered health the most important aspect.
- c) Non-Muslims put friendship before work.


**5) In a family discussion, Nicholson's mother and aunt**

- a) believed God was more important than husbands.
- b) gave in to the male members of the family.
- c) upset her because of their views on religion.


**PART THREE (5 x 5 marks = 5 marks)**

**MARK**

Listen to the following passage and fill in the gaps below with a suitable word or expression. You now have 1 minute to read the task sheet.

**“LOST LANGUAGES.”**

*Mark Abley (author of “Spoken Here - Travels among threatened languages”)*

**Situation of languages:**

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ languages are under threat.

OR

- One language disappears every two weeks.

Natural life-cycle of a language not valid: Disappearance caused by

- globalisation.
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Disappearing languages:**

An example of resistance efforts among minority groups.

The Abenaki language in Montreal

Cécile Wawanolet

- Number of Abenaki speakers she discovered:

3) \_\_\_\_\_.

- To help maintain the Abenaki language, she

4) \_\_\_\_\_.

- Maintaining a language requires

5) \_\_\_\_\_.

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2	F	
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4	G	
5	B	

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OR

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Natural life-cycle of a language not valid: Disappearance caused by

- globalisation.
- 2) economic pressures.

**Disappearing languages:**

An example of resistance efforts among minority groups.

The Abenaki language in Montreal

Cécile Wawanolet

- Number of Abenaki speakers she discovered:  
3) 12 / a dozen.
- To help maintain the Abenaki language, she  
4) taught it / began to teach it / passed it on.
- Maintaining a language requires  
5) commitment / passion.