

CONVERSAR C1 JUNIO Modelo 1

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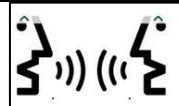
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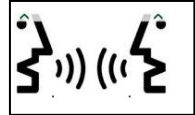
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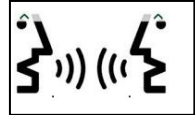
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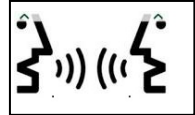
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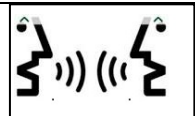
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HABLAR C1 JUNIO Modelo 1**TECHNOLOGY OPTIMIST OR PESSIMIST?**

Reports that robots, automation and artificial intelligence are going to put millions of us out of work may sound troubling, but should we believe them? That largely depends on whether we are technology optimists or pessimists. How do you think technology will affect our lives in the near future?

Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:

- Robots and unemployment
- Autonomous planes and cars
- Machine learning and artificial intelligence
- Telemedicine and distance learning services



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HABLAR C1 JUNIO Modelo 2**FRIENDSHIP**

Research has shown that the better the quality of our relationships, the more likely we are to be happy. Having good friends who love and support us for who we are is really important to our happiness but, what makes a good friend?

Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:

- How to be a good friend
- Is it better to have a lot of friends or a few very close friends?
- What would and wouldn't you do for a friend?
- Which situations can affect friendship negatively?



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HABLAR C1 JUNIO Modelo 3**IS SOCIAL MEDIA BAD FOR YOU?**

Three billion people, around 40% of the world's population, use online social media – and we're spending an average of two hours every day sharing, liking, tweeting and updating on these platforms. With social media playing such a big part in our lives, could we be sacrificing our mental health and well-being as well as our time?

Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:

- Effect on relationships: positive or negative?
- Danger of addiction
- Possible effects on our well-being, mood and sleep
- Do you think they can be a source of stress, anxiety and even depression?



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HABLAR C1 JUNIO Modelo 4**ARE WE SUFFERING FROM INFORMATION OVERLOAD?**

Research suggests that multi-media tasking lowers our mental capacity and reduces our ability to concentrate. The ever increasing bombardment of information could make us lose our ability to think clearly.

Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:

- Is all information useful?
- Do we need more space for our own thinking?
- Do we pay too much attention to unnecessary information?
- The importance of knowing when to say no



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HABLAR C1 JUNIO Modelo 5**FAKE NEWS**

Hoaxes are plans to deceive people and they have been associated with the internet since its early days, but it is only recently that organised, systematic misinformation campaigns have emerged.

Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:

- Do you know anybody who has been misled by a hoax?
- Disinformation campaigns designed to influence public opinion
- Fake news stories and social networks
- Is fake news easy to distinguish?



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HABLAR C1 JUNIO Modelo 6**LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR**

Everybody wants good neighbours, but few seem to have them. A recent survey found that one in four people have had a problem with nuisance neighbours in the last year, leaving people angry, irritable and stressed. Have you ever had arguments with your neighbours?

Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:

- How to be a good neighbour
- Typical annoying habits neighbours have
- What are the most frequent causes of arguments?
- Is it better to keep your distance or to have a close relationship with your neighbours?



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TELECOMMUTING

Working from home is a dream for many but it might have its drawbacks. Think of some of the possible advantages and disadvantages of working from home. Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:



- Isolation and loneliness
- Distractions
- Flexibility
- Work/life balance

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RISK

Those who do not take chances are on the path to “guaranteed failure”, according to Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg. We all have different attitudes towards taking risks; some of us are risk-oriented, others are risk-averse. How do you feel about risk-taking? Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:



- Are you a risk taker? Why/why not?
- What are the advantages and disadvantages of taking risks?
- What risks do you come across in your work/life?
- What risks have you taken in your life?

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There have always been differences between generations, but some think the gap is less divisive than it used to be. Compare the old generation with the young generation today. Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:



- Similarities between generations
- Differences between them
- The relationship between the two age groups
- How can we bridge the gap?

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HABLAR C1 JUNIO Modelo 10**TOURISM**

Spain is the world's second most popular destination. Tourism accounts for 11% of Spain's Gross Domestic Product. But 82 million visitors may also have some negative effects. What effect does tourism have in Spain?

Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:



- The importance of tourism in Spanish economy
- Is society affected by tourism?
- How does mass tourism affect natural resources?
- How can we deal with environmental issues related to tourism?

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ARE YOU A PERFECTIONIST?

Many of us believe perfectionism is a positive thing, but researchers are finding that it can be dangerous, leading to a long list of health problems. Making mistakes is a necessary part of learning, and avoiding mistakes can make it harder to reach your goals. What is your attitude towards perfectionism?

Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:

- Do you have high personal standards?
- How do you cope with things when they go wrong?
- If you don't succeed, do you feel disappointed or ashamed?
- Are you often critical with yourself?



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TIME MANAGEMENT

Time management is a struggle for many people these days. We have so much to do in both our work and personal lives – and so little time to make it all happen. How do you manage your time?

Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:

- Do you plan your time in advance?
- Are you easily distracted?
- Are you always punctual?
- Do you often leave things to the last minute?



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HABLAR C1 JUNIO Modelo 13

SLEEP

Some people need eight hours, others four. But the bottom line is that everybody needs sleep. Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:



- Sleeping habits
- Do you ever have trouble sleeping? If so, what do you do?
- Do you take daytime naps?
- Do you remember your dreams?

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HABLAR C1 JUNIO Modelo 14

CITIES OF THE FUTURE

Imagine a city of the future and give a short talk about it.

Read the following suggestions and talk about, at least, two of them:



- What will your city of the future look like?
- Will your city be sustainable? How?
- What will the quality of life be like?
- How will everyday life be different?

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