





TAREA 1

Impeachment

Read these extracts about Donald Trump's Impeachment process. Match each of the following statements with one of the articles. Write the letter in the appropriate box in the Answer Sheet <u>at the beginning of the booklet</u>. There are two extra statements that you do not need to match with any of the texts. Statement 0 is done as an example. You need to use the text matched to the example again. (6x1=6 points)

Don't forget to write your answers on the answer sheet.

1. Long list of potential witnesses

All four White House officials who are scheduled to give depositions on Monday during the House's impeachment inquiry won't show up, as a source with knowledge of the situation tells CNN that National Security Council lawyers John Eisenberg and Michael Ellis will not testify.

Their lawyer has said they will not appear without a subpoena. But it's not clear if they will testify even if served. And since Democrats have said they will not allow the impeachment drive to be bogged down in legal challenges like the one that could be necessary to force their compliance, they may move ahead without it.

Democrats have also warned that they will consider Trump administration attempts to block testimony by officials as a sign of obstruction that could be folded into articles of impeachment.

CNN(https://edition.cnn.com/2019/11/04/politics/donald-trump-impeachment-democrats-witnesses-republicans-hearings/index.html)

2. Trump's Impeachment Inbox

President Trump doesn't think House Democrats' impeachment inquiry should get any media coverage.

Meanwhile, he's ravenously consuming news about the subject — primarily through a friendly lens. From the Oval Office to the White House residence to Air Force One, he's closely tracking how Republican members of Congress are digesting the latest revelations on his handling of Ukraine, and monitoring their statements for any sign of hesitation or perceived disloyalty.

"We're getting fucking killed," Trump often gripes — a complaint about media coverage that is escalating in volume and frequency amid the impeachment probe, according to a Republican close to the White House. "He does make that comment literally every day."

Politico (https://www.politico.com/news/2019/11/03/trumps-impeachment-inbox-065058)

3. Is Trump's Impeachment Process Different from Nixon And Clinton?

For the third time in almost 46 years, the House of Representatives has voted to begin a formal impeachment inquiry into the actions of the sitting president.

And despite criticisms from President Trump — whose press secretary Stephanie Grisham called the resolution "unfair, unconstitutional, and fundamentally un-American" — the measure lawmakers approved Thursday charts a course similar to that of the inquiries into Presidents Richard Nixon and Bill Clinton.

"The process seems very fair to me," said former Republican Rep. Tom Campbell, who served in the **House*** during the Clinton proceedings and voted for impeachment. He called

the current plan "very consistent with how the House operated in the two previous impeachment matters."

*(**House** here makes reference to the House of Representatives, the lower chamber of the US Congress).

NPR (<u>https://www.npr.org/2019/11/03/775152421/fact-check-is-the-trump-impeachment-process-different-from-nixon-and-clinton?t=1572862965868</u>)

4. How an Impeached Trump Wins

President Trump is showing how he could be impeached, survive and still win re-election, something never done before in American history.

Trump officials think two things must unfold for this to happen: Republicans must stay unified, in votes and voice, and the economy must be strong, in jobs and market returns. The trends are strong on both fronts.

Every single House Republican voted against a formal impeachment proceeding, a powerful show of unity. In the Senate, there are very few public signs of the **Great Red Wal**l* cracking. The economy is humming, too.

Markets are rising; growth continues, albeit more slowly; and more jobs are materializing. It's hard to argue that the Trump economy is anything but consistently strong one year out from the presidential election.

*In the US, red is the color of the Republican Party.

Axios (https://www.axios.com/trump-impeachment-senate-republicans-178c6d1d-f75d-4e18-8edf-0ecd639cdf05.html)

5. Trump used Ukraine aid as leverage, says diplomat

Bill Taylor, the top US diplomat in Ukraine, testified in closed door impeachment hearings last month, and a transcript of his evidence was released to the public on Wednesday.

He told a Congressional committee that two state department officials said Mr Trump would not "sign a check" for nearly \$400m in US military aid until Ukrainian officials announced an investigation into Democratic presidential contender and former vice president Joe Biden.

Mr Biden's son Hunter Biden previously sat on the board of the Ukrainian oil company Burisma. President Trump has claimed without evidence that Joe Biden used his position as vice president to quash an investigation into Burisma.

Mr Taylor also told the Congressional committee that Mr Trump's personal lawyer, Rudy Giuliani, was behind the drive to get Ukraine to announce an investigation into the Bidens. BBC (https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-50327036).

6. Inside the Republican Plan to Deep-Six the Trump Impeachment Hearings

As **House*** Democrats ramp up their impeachment push, their adversaries on the Republican side are preparing to unleash a counter-push to disrupt impeachment proceedings, discredit the whistleblower, and interrogate every person the whistleblower spoke with.

In a show of unity, **House*** Republicans unanimously voted on Thursday against a resolution recognizing the framework of the impeachment inquiry and outlining its next phase. With the party now relatively focused, the Republicans leading the counter-impeachment campaign are taking this moment to lay out their next steps, which will continue to center on claims that the impeachment process is profoundly unfair to Trump and Republicans—and that the whole Ukraine matter was a sham to begin with.

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The Daily Beast (https://www.thedailybeast.com/inside-the-republican-plan-to-deep-six-the-trump-impeachment-hearings)



TAREA 2

Quantum Computing Is Coming, Bit by Qubit
Read the article about quantum computing. Choose the best option (a, b, or c) for each blank. Item 0 has been done as an example. Write your final answers in the Answer Sheet at the beginning of the booklet. (7x1=7 points)

Don't forget to write your answers on the answer sheet.

A bolt from the maybe-future struck the technology community in late September. A paper by
Google computer scientists (0 example) appeared on a NASA website, claiming that an
innovative new machine called a quantum computer had demonstrated "quantum
supremacy."
According to the paper, the device, in three minutes, had performed a (1) technical and
specialized computation that would have taken a regular computer 10,000 years to work out.
The (2), if real, could presage a revolution in how we think, compute, guard our data
and interrogate the most subtle aspects of nature. But then the paper disappeared, leaving
tech (3) grasping at air.
At the time, Google (4) to comment, but many experts suspect that an official
announcement, with all the bells and whistles of publicity and proper peer review, is
imminent.
It's been a century since scientists discovered that, on the most intimate scales, nature
operates according to principles that boggle our poor ape brains. Randomness and
uncertainty rule, causes are not (5) to be linked to effects, and an electron or other
subatomic entity can be everywhere or nowhere, a wave or a particle, until someone
measures it.
Last year Congress passed, and President Trump signed, the National Quantum Initiative
Act, a plan to spend \$1.2 billion to (6) research into quantum technology and especially
quantum computers.
By exploiting the properties of quantum weirdness, these computers could do gazillions of
calculations simultaneously, enough to break (7) unbreakable codes and to solve
hitherto unsolvable mathematical puzzles. Google, IBM, Microsoft and other companies are
now designing and building starter versions and even putting them online, where almost
anyone can learn to put the quantum realm to work.
Adapted from: https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/21/science/quantum-computer-physics-qubits.html

TAREA 3

Environmental Migrants: Up To 1 Billion By 2050

Read the article about environmental migrants. Choose the correct statement from the list for each of the blanks. There are two sentences that you do not need to use. Item 0 has been done as an example. Write your final answers in the Answer Sheet at the beginning of the booklet. (6x1=6 points)

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There are currently 64 million forced migrants in the world fleeing wars, hunger, persecution and a growing force: climate change. UN forecasts estimate that there could be (0 example) _A_ by 2050. Understanding the climate change-migration nexus will prove instrumental in addressing our current climate emergency.



Climate change is bringing both gradual yet pervasive environmental change, as well as sudden natural disasters, (1) _____ of human migrations in differentways. For example, although sudden-onset natural disasters are more likely to result in mass displacement, those affected can often return to their homes. On the other hand, slow-onset disasters and gradual environmental erosion, including phenomena such as desertification, reduction of soil fertility, coastal erosion and sea-level rise, which may be more directly associated with climate change, (2) _____. Both are caused by climate change and both require different adaptation and mitigation strategies.

In fact, examples of global migratory crises linked to climate change abound. Possibly the most well documented in the Western world is (3) _____ to the

United States. Recent studies and reports on the issue highlight the role of climate change in this migratory crisis, indicating that it is becoming abundantly clear that climate change is a key factor. Average temperatures in Central America have increased by 0.5C since 1950 and scientists believe these will rise another 1-2 degrees before 2050. Furthermore, the number of storms, floods (4) ____ and the US Agency for International Development predict that rainfall will decrease just as prolonged droughts increase.

Mass migration and climate change are intertwined problems. A planet that is unstable (5) ____. As certain areas are more affected than others, at least in the short run, this leads to mass movements of people seeking better and more stable alternatives. Therefore, understanding the climate-migration nexus can become a key to (6) ____. If we continue to treat them separately, we are failing to see the bigger picture.

Adapted from: https://www.climateforesight.eu/migrations/environmental-migrants-up-to-1-billion-by-2050/

THE (1)WTO COULD BE DANCING ITS LAST TANGO, STRICTLY SPEAKING

Read the text below and then answer the following multiple choice questions. There is only one correct answer for each question. Write your final answers in the Answer Sheet <u>at the beginning of the booklet.</u> Question 0. has been done as an example. (7x1=7 points.)

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Trump and Xi's truce at the ⁽²⁾G20 is a start but international trade still stands at the crossroads.

Contestants on ⁽³⁾Strictly Come Dancing dread the Argentine tango. No matter how good the choreography, it is technically tricky and devilishly difficult to get right.

So the audience was holding its breath as Donald Trump and Xi Jinping got into hold for their own version of the dance in Buenos Aires this weekend. Trade tension between the world's two biggest economies has increased markedly over the past 12 months and the chances of what Strictly judge Craig Revel Horwood calls a "dance disaster" were high.

In the end, Trump and Xi executed some neat footwork. The trade war is not over but a 90-day truce has been agreed, which means that the 10% tariff Washington has imposed on \$200bn of Chinese imports will not be raised to 25% on New Year's Day. Beijing must then convince Trump that it is meeting Xi's pledge at the working dinner to substantially increase what it buys from the US.

Further, the fact that a decision not to go ahead with a new round of tit-for-tat tariffs is seen as some sort of victory speaks volumes about the weakness of international cooperation. Nobody seriously thought the G20 gathering would address any of the global issues it is there to tackle: preventing another financial crisis and co-ordinating a sustainable growth strategy, for example. It turned into the usual excuse for glad-handing and grandstanding for politicians often quite relieved to get away from troubles back at home.

The fact that the meeting was dominated by fears of a return to 1930s-style protectionism is symbolic of the retreat from multilateralism in the 10 years since the first G20 summit in Washington in late 2008. Trump's trade agenda has not just involved imposing tariffs; he is also threatening to pull the US out of the World Trade Organisation.

Bringing developed and developing countries together made a lot of sense in the fevered atmosphere a decade ago. There was a recognition that decisions could no longer be taken alone by the G7 – the US, Japan, Germany, the UK, France, Italy and Canada. The economic dominance of the big developed countries was being challenged by the fast-growing emerging market economies. There could be no serious discussion about exchange rates that excluded China, no meaningful talks about oil without the inclusion of Saudi Arabia.

In the early days, there were hopes that the G20 would turn into an effective body for economic global governance. Gordon Brown, who chaired the London summit, envisaged it acting to reform financial markets to avoid a repeat of the 2008 meltdown and agreeing to a global growth pact to underpin jobs and wages.

However, with the fruits of what little growth there was going mainly to the privileged few, it was not surprising that voters lost faith in multilateralism. A key reason why Trump's protectionist message resonates with so many American voters is that the trade agenda has been captured by big business:

At Trump's insistence, the Buenos Aires communique noted that the multilateral trading system was "currently falling short of its objectives and there is room for improvement. We therefore support the necessary reform of the WTO to improve its functioning. We will review progress at our next summit."

A quarter of a century ago the WTO was seen as the future. Today it could be dancing its last tango. That's how much things have changed.

- (1) The World Trade Organisation
- (2) The G20 (or Group of Twenty) is an international forum for the governments and central bank governors from 19 countries and the European Union (EU)
- (3) Strictly Come Dancing (often called only "Strictly") is a British television dance contest in which celebrities partner with professional dancers to compete in mainly ballroom and Latin dance.

Adapted from: https://www.theguardian.com/business/2018/dec/02/wto-could-be-dancing-its-last-tango-g20-xi-trump-strictly-speaking

ACTIVITY SHEET

TAREA 1: Impeachment

	EMENT	TEXT
0.	An advance the following week is not expected to happen.	1
1.	Trump's bright prospects despite impeachment.	
2.	Democrats show great unity throughout the process.	
3.	Republican strategy about impeachment may backfire.	
4.	Republican oficial confirms the process follows due course.	
5.	Republicans ready to strike back.	
6.	Biden paying a high Price for bribing Ukranian officials.	
7.	News about impeachment upset Trump.	
8.	President Trump turns to coerción abroad to gain an edge at home.	

TAREA 2: Quantum Computing Is Coming, Bit by Qubit

0.	a) appeared	ppeared b) published					
1.	a) highly	b) difficulty	c) much				
2.	a) discovery	b) goal	c)				
	a, alocevery	a) godi	achievement				
3.	a) enthusiasts	b) contestants	c) pundits				
4.	a) denied	b) declined	c) reclined				
5.	a) certified	b) fulfilled	c) guaranteed				
6.	a) better	b) boost	c) soar				
7.	a) currently	b) nowadays	c) actually				

TAREA 3: Environmental Migrants: Up To 1 Billion By 2050

- a. anywhere between 25 million and 1 billion environmental migrants
- b. threaten the welfare of indigenous peoples
- c. induce long term migrations
- d. both solving the climate crisis and the migration crisis
- e. both of which are influencing the nature and extent
- f. and droughts in the region continues to rise
- g. the extent of which is still partially unknown
- h. leads to a volatile society, violence and insecurity
- i. the Central American mass migration

TAREA 4: THE WTO COULD BE DANCING ITS LAST TANGO, STRICTLY SPEAKING

Example:

0. The writer of this article believes that the G20 summit

- a. made some progress but left many things unresolved
- b. was a success given the difficult circumstances
- c. failed due to the personalities of the American and Chinese leader

1. The truce is based on

- a. The United States agreeing to buy more from China.
- b. China agreeing to reduce U.S. trade tariffs.
- c. The U.S. agreeing to maintain duties on Chinese goods.

2. The writer suggests that Trump

- a. cannot be trusted to keep his word
- b. is normally against U.S protectionism
- c. should show restraint when dealing with China

3. According to the writer, the summit:

- a. managed to solve a number of outstanding foreign problems
- b. is a way for leaders to increase their prestige on the world stage
- c. merely triggered a trade war that had been predicted by experts

4. According to the writer, Trump's plans are to:

- a. open up the US economy to more outside trade
- b. wreck the G20 altogether as soon as possible
- c. protect US producers at the cost of multinationalism

5. The G20 today ha

- a. achieved its goal to fulfil its long term aims
- b. succeeded in reshaping international trading
- c. failed to live up to the objectives it set itself

6. American voters are multilateralism

- a. disillusioned with
- b. defensive of
- c. unbothered by

7. The author predicts that the WTO

- a. is set to improve in the future
- b. will be under the United States' control
- c. has an uncertain future

CLAVE DE CORRECCIONES

Task 1 (Impeachment)

Sta	tement	Paragraph
0.	An advance the following week is not expected to happen.	1
1.	Trump's bright prospects despite impeachment.	4
2.	Democrats show great unity throughout the process.	-
3.	Republican strategy about impeachment may backfire.	1
4.	Republican official confirms process follows due course.	3
5.	Republicans ready to strike back.	6
6.	Biden pays a high price for bribing Ukrainian officials.	
7.	News about impeachment upset Trump.	2
8.	President Trump turns to coercion abroad to gain an edge at home.	5

Task 2 (Quantum Computing)

Number	Example	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Answer	а	а	С	a	b	С	b	а

Task 3 (Environmental Migrants)

Number	Example	1	2	3	4	5	6
Answer	а	е	С	i	f	h	d

Task 4 (WTO's Last tango)

Number	Example	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Answer	а	С	а	b	С	С	а	С

1. TABLA DE CONVERSIÓN

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
0.4	0.7	1.1	1.4	1.8	2.1	2.5	2.9	3.2	3.6	3.9	4.3	4.6	5
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
5.4	5.7	6.1	6.5	6.8	7.1	7.5	7.9	8.2	8.6	8.8	9.3	9.6	10

