

# INGLÉS

## CERTIFICADO DE NIVEL AVANZADO C2

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## COMPRENSIÓN DE TEXTOS ESCRITOS

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### INSTRUCCIONES PARA LA REALIZACIÓN DE ESTA PARTE:

DURACIÓN: 75 minutos

- Esta parte consta de tres tareas.
- Lea las instrucciones al principio de cada tarea y realícela según se indica.
- Las respuestas escritas a lápiz o en rojo no se calificarán.
- No escriba en los recuadros sombreados.
- No está permitido el uso de diccionarios.

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	TAREA 1	TAREA 2	TAREA 3	TOTAL	CALIFICACIÓN
PUNTOS				/ 25	/ 10

**TASK ONE (7 X 1 mark = 7 marks)**

Read the following text and insert the missing paragraphs you will find at the end (A to I) into the most appropriate gap in the text. Each paragraph can only be used ONCE. There is one extra paragraph you will not need to use. Paragraph 0 is an example.

**MARK*****WHY DO MEN STILL INSIST ON PROPOSING IN PUBLIC?***

*It's awkward and kind of manipulative and women almost never like it*

Women are getting more and more tired of public proposals these days. Only 15 percent actually want a public proposal, according to research by Lisa Hoplock, PhD, a postdoctoral fellow in the college of nursing at the University of Manitoba. Moreover, a public proposal is actually almost twice as likely to be rejected than a private one.

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This trend however seems not to be going away any time soon. To understand why this trend refuses to die, it helps to revisit why it was born. Like so many ostentatious practices, the public-proposal phenomenon can be traced back to a royal wedding: Prince Charles and Princess Diana's, in 1981. The so-called "wedding of the century" was watched by more than 750 million people—and set in motion modern wedding mania, according to Pleck.

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The proposal-by-jumbotron trend took off long before social media existed and persists to this day—at Yankee Stadium, it currently costs \$100 to put your beloved's name in lights, and yours could be 1 of as many as 10 proposals during a single game.

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Michele Velazquez, one-half of *The Heart Bandits*, a company that offers custom proposal packages that can cost upward of \$3,000, says she's seeing fewer jumbotron requests, but "the new trend is a 'surprise reveal,' where the gentleman has a friend or relative bring his partner to the venue and she has no idea he's there." She experiences the flash mob, and then he appears out of nowhere.

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What hasn't changed is that these proposals are often more about the man than the woman. "Sometimes it's coming from a place of insecurity, sometimes from pride, and sometimes it's just truly someone who is not getting it," says Andrea Syrtash, relationship expert. Social media has turned everything about weddings into a competition, which encourages guys to focus on the wrong things. "If they have friends who do this and share it, then they feel the pressure to compete and to one-up them."

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Unfortunately, "the frustration for the person on the receiving end is often that if the proposer knew her, he'd know that this was not something she'd want," adds Syrtash. Indeed, "one of the reasons you marry somebody is because they get you like nobody else," adds Tara Fields, a licensed marriage and family therapist.

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In any elaborate and stunt-ish public proposal, "there is guilt and bullying attached," says Lisa Brateman, PhD, a psychotherapist and relationship specialist in New York City who has helped several clients rethink their desire to pop the Q in public.

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"It's a way of putting on the pressure," explains Brateman. "How could she turn you down with all those people there?" What woman wants to be the one to tell the world that love is dead. or at least more complicated than a yes or no? It's worth pointing out that some women do want their big moment on YouTube.

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And if you've already dealt with a public proposal, that doesn't mean your love is doomed (Kat and Nick, for example, are now married and joke about their engagement). "If you believe that your partner was truly well-intentioned, it's something you can repair," says Fields. Some men believe a big proposal shows "absolute dedication," says Brateman. "But absolute dedication is getting married, it's not how you ask."

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- A. ***"And that's not including women who say yes in the moment only to take it back later, when it's 'less embarrassing' to do so", says Elizabeth Pleck, PhD, a professor emerita at the University of Illinois.***
- B. But social media have upped the ante, stoking a demand for unique proposals that play well to a virtual crowd. As the boundaries between public and private continue to evaporate, why not just invite them, amirite?
- C. It's therefore true that women should help usher this trend out by doing more of the proposing themselves.
- D. She says that in her study, "some men proposed in public to try to save the relationship" or because a private proposal hadn't yielded the desired answer.
- E. "Signs declaring *Marry Me* are also a thing", she adds: "They're getting bigger. Most recently, we had a 4-foot neon sign!"
- F. "So it's not just, I wish you hadn't done that," says Fields, "it's, He doesn't listen, he doesn't get me."
- G. Soon, it wasn't good enough to have just a lavish big day; you had to also have an over-the-top proposal. Pleck says one of the first public engagements took place a couple of years later between sportscaster Ahmad Rashād and actress Phylicia Ayers-Allen.
- H. The culture is also egging them on. "Maybe these men are trying to have a movie moment," says Syrtash. "But there's an element of puffing out your chest and showing off that you're doing this elaborate thing."
- I. Which is why couples (men but also women) should talk about their engagement just like they now talk about (and shop for) rings.

GAP	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
PARAGRAPH	<b>A</b>							
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**TASK TWO (8 X 1 mark = 8 marks)**

You are going to read 10 people's comments on the new immigration system in UK. For statements 8-15, match the statements to people B-J. There is one extra person you will not need to use. Statement 0 has been done as an example. This example cannot be chosen again.

MARK

***A NEW APPROACH TO LEGAL IMMIGRATION IN THE UK***

*Homesecretary, Priti Patel, announced a points-based system for immigrants*

- A. MAY: *Okay, fair enough. Most people don't have a problem with a limited number of immigrants coming here and doing jobs that need to be filled, so long as they are able to support themselves, their families and contribute to the NHS, etc. The real issue are the chancers who come here in rubber dinghies or the backs of lorries and are given a free house and benefits for life.*
- B. DAVID: "I deal with a lot of builders of all nationalities, some are good and some not so. Eastern Europeans do tend to work harder, but you have to weigh that against a cavalier attitude to health and safety. My feeling is that a lot of young people in the UK who could have become good trades people, earning good livings, have ended up with a junk degree and worse prospects."
- C. DONALD: "We should not be importing foreigners to provide our trades. We have an abundance of clever young people. Unfortunately, they have been educated by left-wing activists more interested in turning them into servants of the green blob, or they are so politically correct that they simply couldn't survive on a building site or in a factory."
- D. CHRIS: "Patel admits her own parents wouldn't have been allowed in. Many believe Patel would even have been capable of stopping them! Disgusting policy. The Lib Dem's are right: it's all prejudice and xenophobia. Our country has forgotten that immigration systems in all decent countries are designed equally to help the fleeing immigrant and the receiving country. We are losing humanity, and the world is watching."
- E. VINCENT: "About time the influx of all comers to the UK was stopped by a home office minister. The only reason they come in droves was to rip us off, bring their families over, to rip our benefits system off. Then to de-cry the UK as being racist or anti-immigrant, yes, only when you as immigrants fail to adopt to our laws, ways, and language, but keeping to your original country's ways. Put up and shut up. The UK can keep going without low skilled people who subdue wages."
- F. CHIARA: "It's well known that the UK opened its labour (thanks to Labour) market to Eastern European workers before it was necessary. Furthermore, the government was able to go after gang masters. They chose not to do so. Now we've left, you can't blame the EU anymore for decisions taken or not taken by EU government."
- G. ROSS: "There's little or no association between high immigration and employment or unemployment rates. All this is just pandering to the base instincts of the poorly informed and reactionaries instead of educating people, which is what leading a nation is about. I wonder who the scapegoat will be when this government has implemented its evidence-free, economically illiterate plans and pushed the economy into recession."
- H. FAY: "As an initial incentive, to motivate the lazy British content to live on welfare, modify the unemployment benefits programme, so that those proven capable of working are required to do so in order to support themselves and their families (i.e. like it used to be prior to the '70s). Then implement training, with preference being given to the British, providing some level of monetary subsidisation whilst the training is in progress."

- I. DEAN: "This is largely an act of self-harm, but like all government decisions, temporary. There is little hard immigration info available in the UK as we don't have a department of immigration and Boris decided against creating one. But here is some American info for comparison: in fiscal year 2015, spouses and children (immediate relatives) accounted for approximately 69% of family immigration and 44% of total legal immigration to the U.S."
- J. ELIZABETH: "The idea of starting a new career is probably something that appeals to everyone from time to time. Today I decided to become a government strategic defence and security guru. I don't actually have any qualifications or related experience, though I think I read a Tom Clancy's novel once. But that doesn't matter. Apparently, all I have to do is turn up at 10 Downing Street, tell the policeman at the door who I am, and they'll start paying me. There is no vetting or selection process apparently. Sounds great."

**Match the paragraphs above, about the new immigration system in UK, with the statements below.**

8. A light-hearted comment about jobs and training in the UK.
9. Bigotry in times of globalization.
10. Much appreciated, but our youth has been ripped off.
11. Plan B: idle hands back to the grind.
12. Some food for thought from across the pond.
13. Thank God it's gatekeeping!
14. The economy will be the acid test for the conservative government.
15. The Nanny State has nurtured a bunch of cry babies.

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**TASK THREE (10 x 1 mark = 10 marks)**

Read the text and complete each gap with the most suitable word from the options provided. Please, write your answers in the boxes. Gap 0 is an example.

MARK

**COLLEGE ADMISSIONS SCANDAL**

*Felicity Huffman, 'Desperate Housewives' actress, gets 14-day prison sentence*

Facing time in prison for her role in the nation's largest college admissions scandal, the actress Felicity Huffman grew tearful, her voice breaking as she told a courtroom that she wished she had never taken part in a scheme to \_\_\_\_ [0] \_\_\_\_ her daughter's SAT score. In the end, a federal judge in Boston sentenced Ms. Huffman to 14 days in a federal prison on Friday —earlier, she sat silent and stoic as a prosecutor \_\_\_\_ [16] \_\_\_\_ all the reasons probation would not be sufficient punishment. She was the first parent to face punishment in a case in which nearly three dozen wealthy people are accused of using lies and bribes to \_\_\_\_ [17] \_\_\_\_ their children's way into prestigious colleges.

Looming over Ms. Huffman's sentencing were questions about fairness and whether she and the other mostly white parents in the case would be treated more harshly than poor or nonwhite defendants accused of educational fraud. The issues were emerging in a case that has been \_\_\_\_ [18] \_\_\_\_ with questions of inequity and well-to-do parents' efforts not just to guard their advantages, but to grab more. Ms. Huffman's lawyer, Martin Murphy, argued that most comparable defendants were given \_\_\_\_ [19] \_\_\_\_ rather than prison. And he said that, just as Ms. Huffman's wealth and fame should not hinder the judge to impose a lighter sentence, they should not lead her to impose a longer one, either. "It can't be the case that Ms. Huffman should be treated more harshly because of her financial circumstances and her \_\_\_\_ [20] \_\_\_\_," he said.

Ms. Huffman, prosecuted for committing mail fraud and honest services mail fraud, a felony, addressed Judge Indira Talwani on Friday. She read from notes and frequently \_\_\_\_ [21] \_\_\_\_ as she said how deeply she regretted taking part in the cheating scheme in which she paid \$15,000 to inflate her daughter's test score.

She recalled driving to the school where her daughter was to take the SAT and — afterward and \_\_\_\_ [22] \_\_\_\_ to her daughter — where a proctor planned to illicitly correct the answers. At one point along the drive, as her daughter asked whether they could get ice cream after the test, Ms. Huffman remembered having \_\_\_\_ [23] \_\_\_\_ thoughts about her plan. She told the court, "I thought to myself, 'Turn around, turn around, turn around'." She paused. "To my eternal shame," she said, "I didn't."

In a statement released by a spokesman after the \_\_\_\_ [24] \_\_\_\_, Ms. Huffman said: "I accept the court's decision today without reservation. I have always been prepared to accept whatever punishment Judge Talwani imposed. I broke the law. I have admitted that and I \_\_\_\_ [25] \_\_\_\_ guilty to this crime. There are no excuses or justifications for my actions. Period."

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<i>0.</i>	<i>A) blow</i>	<i>B) boast</i>	<i>C) <b>boost</b></i>	<i>D) bust</i>
16.	A) labeled	B) resumed	C) ticked off	D) tipped off
17.	A) curb	B) differentiate	C) push up	D) smooth
18.	A) dried	B) fired	C) sealed	D) seeped
19.	A) correction	B) privation	C) probation	D) vigilance
20.	A) nonchalance	B) notoriety	C) posture	D) whereabouts
21.	A) coughed up	B) choked up	C) shook off	D) shrugged off
22.	A) unabashed	B) unbeknown	C) unheeded	D) unaware
23.	A) black	B) free	C) second	D) wild
24.	A) acquittal	B) appeal	C) hearing	D) settlement
25.	A) alleged	B) confessed	C) pleaded	D) stated

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**TASK 1: WHY DO MEN STILL INSIST ON PROPOSING IN PUBLIC?**

<b>GAP</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>PARAGRAPH</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>I</b>

**TASK 2: A NEW APPROACH TO LEGAL IMMIGRATION IN THE UK**

<b>STATEMENT</b>	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<b>PERSON</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>C</b>

**TASK 3: COLLEGE ADMISSIONS SCANDAL**

<b>SENTENCE</b>	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<b>LETTER</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>C</b>