



SELECTIVIDAD SEPTIEMBRE 2014 INGLÉS OPCIÓN A RESUELTA

The Decline of "Once upon a time..."

**1.- Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Copy the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)**

a) A little over a third of parents who took part in the study never read a story to their children.

TRUE "According to a poll of mums and dads with under-sevens, 36 per cent of parents never pick up a book with their little ones"

b) Most of the mums and dads who participated in the study had bedtime stories read to them when they were kids.

TRUE "the vast majority of parents were told bedtime stories regularly when they were little"

**2.- In your own words and based on the ideas in the text, answer the following questions. Do not copy from the text. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos) hay muchas respuestas correctas, lo importante es NO COPIAR DEL TEXTO, o no nos darán puntuación, aun así os proponemos posibles respuestas.**

a) How is Natasha Hamilton collaborating with Littlewoods.com in order to get young people to read again? They had created a reading contest to try to make young people read more.

b) Give two reasons why parents fail to read stories to their kids. They say that they live under pressure and that they don't have time to read with their children, others say that their children don't want to do it.

**3.- Find the words in the text that mean: (Puntuación máxima: 1 punto)**

a) almost (paragraph 1) :also

b) joined forces (paragraph 2) : teamed up

c) produce (paragraph 2) : create

d) main (paragraph 3) : vast

**4.- Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)**

a) When my children were young, I \_\_\_told\_\_\_ (tell) them a story every night before \_\_\_going\_\_\_ (go) to bed.



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b) Nowadays, reading \_\_\_ is considered \_\_\_ (consider) to be an interaction \_\_\_ between \_\_\_ the reader and the text.

The more you read to children, \_\_\_ better \_\_\_ (good) their reading and writing skills become.

c) According to research, English children read less for pleasure \_\_\_ than \_\_\_ their peers in many other countries.

d) Complete the following sentence to report what was said:

A spokesman from the company said: "We appreciate how important it is for parents and kids to spend quality time together."

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**5.- Write about 100 to 150 words on the following topic. What kind of books do you like to read? Explain why you like them. (Puntuación máxima: 3 puntos)**

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I like reading fantasy books, because they are special and different.

First of all, fantasy books are based on fiction so you have to think more about them, and our imagination flies. Secondly, it is a good way of disconnecting with everyday problems. However it is true the fact that other kind of books are nice too. Finally I prefer fantasy books because they are different of our normal life that is sometimes very boring.

To sum up, reading is a very good activity for all the people and it is also very important, so we have to read, I recommend fantasy and science-fiction books.

SELECTIVIDAD SEPTIEMBRE 2014 INGLÉS OPCIÓN B RESUELTA

Courses Online

**1.- Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Copy the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)**

a) Online courses do not offer the possibility of getting a diploma.

FALSE "Significantly, the platform has developed an examination process, which means that online learners can graduate from an EdX course with a certificate and a grade"

b) Education online is already available in every university of Great Britain.



FALSE "It is well-known that many leading institutions, including Oxford and Cambridge, are absent from a list of 17 universities that have signed up to give away their course content online"

**2.- In your own words and based on the ideas in the text, answer the following questions. Do not copy from the text. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos) hay muchas respuestas correctas, lo importante es NO COPIAR DEL TEXTO, o no nos darán puntuación, aun así os proponemos posibles respuestas.**

- a) How will courses online change the academic routine of university students? They will be free, the students can be from worldwide.
- b) Why is it so difficult for students to complete an online course? Because they have to study a lot and define their own discipline to achieve.

**3.- Find the words in the text that mean: (Puntuación máxima: 1 punto)**

- a) make a great effort (paragraph 1) : STRUGGLE
- b) nevertheless (paragraph 3) : HOWEVER
- c) replace (paragraph 3) : SUPERSEDE
- d) needed (paragraph 4): REQUIRED

**4.- Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)**

- a) I graduated years ago. If my university \_\_\_offered\_\_\_ (offer) courses online, I \_\_\_would take\_\_\_ (take) them.
- b) Professor Nelson is not interested \_\_\_in\_\_\_ laptop lectures. He prefers traditional education \_\_\_rather than\_\_\_ virtual platforms.
- c) Students who \_\_\_are admitted\_\_\_ (admit) in MIT are aware that they won't succeed \_\_\_unless\_\_\_ they work hard.
- d) Complete the following sentence to report what was said.

"What would you like to do when you finish High School?" Mary asked her son.

Mary asked her son \_\_\_what he would like to do when he finished High School

**5.- Write about 100 to 150 words on the following topic. Do you think online learning will eventually substitute traditional education? Give your opinion(Puntuación máxima: 3 puntos)**



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It is difficult to know if one day online learning will substitute traditional education, but it has a lot of advantages.

First of all, you can wake up when you want, and you organize your own timetable, so you are free to do other things. Secondly, you can follow your rhythm and go slower or faster depending on your level. However, it is true the fact that a teacher always help a lot with the doubts and maybe being at home you don't understand the same way as in person. Finally if you study at home you will save a lot of money because you don't need to take the public transport.

In conclusion, online learning has a lot of advantages but we don't know if it will substitute the normal or presential education.

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