



I'M A UAEH MEDICAL STUDENT. DO I REALLY NEED ENGLISH?

Yes, you do, and here's why:

The ENARM (Examen Nacional para Aspirantes a Residencias Médicas) is a test for Mexican medical graduates. An ENARM certificate is necessary to apply for a medical residency in a hospital. No ENARM certificate, no residency and no specialization!

There aren't many places in Mexico to take the ENARM. Only Sonora, Nuevo León, Guanajuato, Mexico City, Morelos, Puebla and Chiapas offer the exam.

It is a computer-based exam, exploring knowledge in the areas of basic sciences, public health and clinical medicine in Spanish and reading comprehension in English.

There are 450 questions in total, 50 of them in English. Doctors have to demonstrate their ability to understand medical English texts at intermediate level.

At present, UAEH medical graduates usually fail the ENARM! In 2011, only 122 out of 537 UAEH candidates passed the test. Medical graduates often have to take it several times to pass and be able to apply for a medical residency or a specialization.

3 Read the article again and then the sentences below. Mark them correct ✓ or wrong ✗.

- a English is necessary for medical students. ☒ ☐
- b The ENARM is not a test for first semester medical students. ☒ ☐
- c UAEH medical graduates usually take the test in Pachuca. ☒ ☐
- d Most of the test is in English. ☒ ☐
- e Most UAEH candidates do not pass the test first time. ☒ ☐
- f It is possible to do a medical specialization and not have an ENARM certificate. ☒ ☐
- g Medical graduates frequently take the ENARM a number of times. ☒ ☐
- h I'm interested in medicine as a career. ☒ ☐