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**PRUEBA DE COMPRENSIÓN DE TEXTOS ESCRITOS**

**TAREAS:** La prueba de Comprensión de Textos Escritos consta de TRES textos y TRES tareas.

**DURACIÓN TOTAL: 60 minutos**

**INDICACIONES:**

- TODAS las respuestas se escribirán en la *hoja de respuestas*.
- Emplear tinta permanente azul o negra. No usar lápiz.
- Corregir tachando el texto. No usar correctores líquidos o cintas.
- Puntuación total: **26 puntos**. "Apto"  $\geq 13$

**TASK 1 ► Read TEXT 1: "World's oldest man", an article from CNN World. Decide if the following statements are TRUE or FALSE, according to the text. The first item is an example. Write TRUE or FALSE on the answer sheet, in spaces 1 to 9.**

**9 points**

**TEXT 1 – World's Oldest Man.**

John Tinniswood, the world's oldest man, has died at the age of 112.

Tinniswood died on Monday at a care home in Southport, England, according to a news release from Guinness World Records (GWR) on Tuesday.

"His last day was surrounded by music and love," his family told GWR in a statement.

Born in the northwestern English city of Liverpool on August 26, 1912, Tinniswood lived through two world wars – as well as the Great Influenza and Covid-19 pandemics – and also held the record for world's oldest surviving male World War II veteran, according to Guinness. He was born the same year the Titanic sank.

He was a lifelong fan of Liverpool Football Club, and lived through all nineteen of his club's league title wins and all eight of his club's FA Cup wins.

Tinniswood didn't have any particular explanation for how he managed to live for so long, describing it as "pure luck." "You either live long or you live short, and you can't do much about it," he told GWR earlier this year.

Tinniswood, who did not smoke, rarely drank and had fish and chips every Friday, said the secret to longevity is "just luck." However, he had one piece of advice for staying healthy: do everything in moderation.

"If you drink too much or you eat too much or you walk too much; if you do too much of anything, you're going to suffer eventually," he said.

And while he can't tell them how to live as long as he did, Tinniswood did have some life advice for younger generations. "Always do the best you can, whether you're learning something or whether you're teaching someone," he added.

“Give it all you’ve got. Otherwise it’s not worth bothering with.”

Tinniswood is survived by his daughter, Susan, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

“John had many fine qualities. He was intelligent, decisive, brave, calm in any crisis, talented at maths and a great conversationalist,” said the family in a statement.

According to GWR, the oldest man ever was Jiroemon Kimura of Japan. He was born in 1897 and died in 2013 at the age of 116.

This year has also seen the death of the world’s oldest person. US-born Maria Branyas Morera passed away at the age of 117 years 168 days, making her the eighth-oldest person with a verifiable age in history, said GWR.

The title of the oldest person ever recorded belongs to Jeanne Louise Calment. Born on February 21, 1875, her life spanned 122 years and 164 days, according to GWR.

Source: CNN World - 26/11/2024  
Adapted from: <https://acortar.link/gvj2Ee> - 424 words

**(EXAMPLE)- John Tinniswood is the oldest living man in the world. (FALSE) ✓**

- 1-He shared his birthday with the Titanic accident.
- 2-He missed eight of his club’s FA cup wins.
- 3-Tinniswood claimed the keys to his long life were healthy habits and daily exercise.
- 4-He said that people who exercise too much end up suffering.
- 5-He advised young people to concentrate on learning instead of teaching others.
- 6-He recommended putting in your maximum effort, or there’s no point in trying at all.
- 7-Tinniswood died after his daughter Susan.
- 8-According to his family, he was a smart man, among other qualities.
- 9-Morera was one of the oldest confirmed individuals in recorded history before she died.

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**TASK 2 ► Read TEXT 2, “How to Stop Being Scared After Watching Scary Movies”. Choose the heading (A-M) that best matches each paragraph (10-17). There are FIVE extra headings that you DO NOT need. The first one is an example. Write the corresponding letters (A-M) on the answer sheet, in spaces 10 to 17.**

**8 points**

## **TEXT 2 – How to Stop Being Scared After Watching Scary Movies.**

If you have watched a scary movie and are now worried and anxious, you can stop yourself from being scared by watching a funny show or listening to music after the movie. This can help shift your focus from fear to amusement, making it easier to calm down.

**(EXAMPLE)** \_\_\_\_\_.

Turn it on at the beginning of your day. By the time it's time for bed, you'll have a whole day's worth of activities to distract you. As a result, you won't be as scared of the movie. Watching it in daylight can also make frightening scenes feel less intense.

**10** – \_\_\_\_\_.

Oftentimes scary movies seem worse when you are alone and don't have as many distractions. To avoid this, always watch scary movies with at least one other person. Having company can help you process the fear more rationally and provide a sense of safety.

**11** – \_\_\_\_\_.

Discuss the plot, setting, and characters with your friends or family members if you are watching the movie with someone else. If you are watching the film alone, make comments like “How silly” as the movie plays. This helps create emotional distance from the movie's frightening elements.

**12** – \_\_\_\_\_.

When the music gets intense and you know something shocking is coming, say something funny. Do this even if you don't think the part of the movie is comical. This way those moments won't seem as traumatic. It can trick your brain into associating fear with humor, making it less overwhelming.

**13** – \_\_\_\_\_.

Say to yourself, “This is fake,” and “I am not in danger,” over and over again until you believe it. This may take some repetition and self-trust, but it is helpful because the movie is just a work of fiction. Lock your doors if that makes you feel better. Reassure yourself by thinking about the practical impossibility of the events happening in real life.

**14** – \_\_\_\_\_.

After you watch a horror movie, you are in a state of “fight or flight.” This can help reduce stress. Do things like dance around, jog in place, do jumping jacks, or have a pillow fight. After that, you will probably feel less tense and scared, and you'll have forgotten about the film. Avoid doing it before bed. It may be even more difficult to sleep if you are stimulated.

**15** – \_\_\_\_\_.

An easy way to stop being scared is to immediately change the channel, and make sure it's a subject with a positive tone. You can also read or draw. This way, you'll focus on the good and not feel worried and anxious. Keeping yourself busy can help you let go of constant thoughts about the scary movie.

16 – \_\_\_\_\_.

If you watched a movie with others, continue spending time with them. If you watched the movie by yourself and are scared afterward, contact a friend or family member. Invite them over to hang out, for example. Simply chatting or laughing with someone can calm feelings of fear and isolation.

17 – \_\_\_\_\_.

Plug it into a nearby socket, and turn it on before you go to bed. This way, you can see in the dark and know no ghosts are coming for you. Try to only use this after you watch the movie, so you don't depend on it every time you go to bed. Also, it can make the environment more comforting.

Source: [wikihow.com](https://www.wikihow.com) - 26/11/2024  
Adapted from: <https://acortar.link/2zVRcl> - 637 words

**(EXAMPLE)- Watch the movie in the morning to make it seem less scary. ✓**

- A**-Always sleep with a night light on.
- B**-Avoid watching scary movies by yourself.
- C**-Compare the movie to real life.
- D**-Do brief exercises to disconnect.
- E**-Distract your mind with a funny TV show, movie, or book.
- F**-Laugh during the scary part of the movie so you don't get frightened.
- G**-Play relaxing music.
- H**-Read a book or a magazine while you watch the movie.
- I**-Remind yourself that the movie is not real and you are safe.
- J**-Sleep with a night light turned on if it makes you feel safer.
- K**-Spend time with friends or family so you don't feel alone.
- L**-Talk to yourself or others throughout the movie to free your mind.
- M**-Watch it alone to add excitement to your evening.

**TASK 3 ► Read TEXT 3, the beginning of “The Devil and Tom Walker” by Washington Irving. Choose the best option (A, B, or C) for each item (18-26). The first one is an example. Write the corresponding letters (A, B, or C) on the answer sheet, in spaces 18 to 26.**

**9 points**

## **TEXT 3 – The Devil and Tom Walker.**

Before we begin our story, let us go back three hundred years to the late 1600s. In those years, one of – **(EXAMPLE)** – famous men in the world was Captain William Kidd. Captain Kidd was a pirate. He sailed the seas, capturing any ships he found. He and his men took money from these ships. Captain Kidd hid this money in different places.

Captain Kidd – **18** – the English in Boston, Massachusetts and executed in the year 1701.

From that time on, people all over the world searched in many places for Captain Kidd's stolen money.

The people who lived in Massachusetts in the 1700s believed Captain Kidd buried some of his treasure near Boston. Not far from Boston was a small river which ran into the Atlantic Ocean. An old story – **19** – Captain Kidd had come up this river from the ocean. Then he buried his gold and silver and jewels under a big tree.

The story said that this treasure was protected by the devil himself, – **20** – was a good friend of Captain Kidd.

In the year 1727, a man named Tom Walker lived near this place. Tom Walker was not a pleasant man. He loved only one thing -- money. There was only one person – **21** – Tom. That was his wife. She also loved money. These two were so hungry for money that they – **22** – things from each other.

One day, Tom Walker was returning home through a dark forest. He walked – **23** –, so that he would not fall into a pool of mud.

At last, he reached a piece of dry ground. Tom sat down on a tree that had fallen. As he rested, he dug into the earth with a stick. He knew the story that Indians had killed prisoners there as sacrifices to the Devil. But this did not trouble him. The only devil Tom was – **24** – was his wife.

Tom's stick hit something hard. He dug it out of the earth. It was a human skull. In the skull was an Indian ax.

Suddenly, Tom Walker heard – **25** – voice: "Don't touch that skull!"

Tom looked up. He saw a giant sitting on a broken tree. Tom had never seen such a man. He wore the clothes of an Indian. His skin was almost black and covered with ashes. His eyes were big and red. His black hair stood up from his head. He – **26** – a large ax.

Source: [manythings.org](https://acortar.link/l5b1bn) Adapted from: <https://acortar.link/l5b1bn> - 414 words

	<b>(EXAMPLE)</b> A-more	B-most	<b>C-the most</b> ✓
<b>18</b>	A-captured	B-has captured	C-was captured by
<b>19</b>	A-about	B-cheated	C-said that
<b>20</b>	A-that	B-which	C-who
<b>21</b>	A-better than	B-in charge of	C-worse than
<b>22</b>	A-even stole	B-hardly ever shared	C-sometimes threw
<b>23</b>	A-after a police officer	B-quickly and carelessly	C-slowly and carefully
<b>24</b>	A-afraid of	B-in love with	C-fond of
<b>25</b>	A-an angry	B-a moody	C-a stubborn
<b>26</b>	A-carried	B-grew up	C-dropped off