

SUPERLATIVES – 8TH GRADE

1. Read the text.

Lee el texto.

FINNISH, THE HAPPIEST PEOPLE IN THE WORLD

Finnish are the happiest people in the world according to the World Happiness Report. They asked respondents how satisfied they were with their overall quality of life. Most Finnish claimed to be “very happy” and expressed optimism about their future. Following them in the “very happy” stakes was the Denmark, Switzerland, Iceland and Norway. South Sudan finished last on the happiness chart, becoming the unhappiest country in the world.

The research demonstrated that money and age were key determinants in how happy people are. Although the study could not prove money could buy happiness, it did reveal a link between a lack of money and unhappiness. People with lower incomes or unemployed considered themselves unhappy. The study also suggested the older we become, the less happy we are. Globally, teenagers are the happiest people. The age group with the lowest levels of happiness was 50-59 – only 16 percent of those in their 50s said they were very happy. The things that make us happy include good health, financial security, and a happy marriage. Material comforts such as cars, clothes and gadgets ranked comparatively low.

2. Read the text and answer the questions.

Lee el texto y responde las preguntas.

***IMPORTANT:** Responde las preguntas usando oraciones completas.

Ejemplo: Chileans are the most sociable.

a) Which is the **happiest country** in the world, according to the survey? _____

b) Which is the **unhappiest country** in the world, according to the survey? _____

c) Who are **happier**, richer or poorer people? _____

d) Who are **happier**, older or younger people? _____

e) According to the survey, **what makes people happy**? _____