

TEENS 07 MIDTERM EXAM

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DATE:	Reading:	Grammar:	Listening:	Writing:	Speaking:	

Instrucciones: "Esta prueba tiene como finalidad comprobar las destrezas y logros alcanzados hasta la fecha". Este examen es personal y debe desarrollarse en forma responsable - lea, piense, revise detenidamente cada pregunta y cumpla correctamente las consignas - No usar corrector - No prestarse materiales - revise antes de entregar, observe que todas las preguntas estén contestadas.

READING

1. Read the text.

Country Living

Today, I'm visiting Jeanette and Ross Walton in Devon, in the west of England. They live in a stone house not far from a pretty village. They left London only two years ago, but there has been a huge change in their lives. When they lived in London, they were both successful business people. They had a luxury apartment, a Mercedes and two smaller cars. They used to spend a lot of money on fashionable clothes, the latest gadgets and expensive vacations. They did all these things without thinking because they could afford them. But were they happy?

"We made the decision to move five years ago," says Jeanette. "I was driving home one day when I realized it was always dark when I left home and dark when I left the office. I usually came home in a bad mood. And I used to work most weekends, too."

"I was also getting fed up," says Ross. "I never had time for my hobbies - cooking and cycling - and then one day Jeanette said: 'Wouldn't it be nice to live off the grid?'"

It was time for a change. It took three years to make the move, but the Waltons finally sold their apartment and businesses, found a house in the country, and set up a small restaurant. "It's perfect," says Jeanette. "We grow all the fruit and vegetables for the restaurant, Ross does the cooking and I love talking to customers."

The Waltons still work hard, but the move has made a huge difference to their lives. "We don't live off the grid," laughs Ross, "but now we have time to do all the things we like."

Do they miss London? "We've given up that lifestyle," Jeanette replies. "We're happy with fewer things and in fact, we don't think about London any more!"

Choose the correct answers. (2 points)

What kind of text is this? ____

a a magazine article

b a short story

The Waltons made a decision to move to the country ____ years ago.

a five b two

They left London because ____.

a they worked in a dark office

b they were unhappy with their life there

What do they do in Devon? ____.

a They are professional gardeners

b They have their own business

Read the text again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? (1 point)

- 1) The Waltons live in a village in Devon. ____
- 2) They could afford to buy expensive things when they lived in London. ____
- 3) Jeanette didn't have much free time when she lived in London. ____
- 4) Ross was the one who suggested a change. ____
- 5) The Waltons now own an apartment in London and a house in the country. ____

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2. Read the text.

A Life in Television

He is one of the most famous television personalities in Britain. His career in television has lasted for over 60 years and he has written and presented some of the best natural history documentaries ever made, including the series *Life on Earth*. His name? Sir David Attenborough.

David was born in 1926 in London, but grew up in Leicester. He became interested in natural history at an early age and loved collecting things like stones and fossils. He never lost this interest and when he left school, he studied geology and zoology at the University of Cambridge.

After graduating in 1947, he spent two years in the navy and then worked for a short time editing science textbooks for children. However, he didn't like the work and in 1950 he applied for a job at the BBC. At the time, like most people in Britain, he himself didn't have a television set. He joined the BBC in 1952 but at first, he didn't appear on any shows because Mary Adams, his boss, thought his teeth were too big! This changed when he made and helped to present a series called *The Pattern of Animals*. After that, he made a number of shows on different subjects.

In 1965 Attenborough became Controller of BBC Two. At the time, this channel was not popular, but he changed all that and introduced shows about sports, business, music, the arts, entertainment, science, natural history, etc. He also introduced color television to Britain. In 1969 he was given responsibility for the shows on both BBC channels. Then in 1972 he was offered the top job at the BBC, but he didn't want to take it. He was more interested in making and presenting shows. So he left the BBC and made shows. These were different from most other documentaries at the time: they were serious, but not boring and audiences loved them.

In his eighties, Attenborough continues to appear on television and he has millions of fans all over the world.

Read the text and answer the questions. (2 points)

- 1 How many years has David Attenborough's career in television lasted?

- 2 Where was he born?

- 3 What kinds of things did he collect when he was a child?

- 4 What year did he graduate from the university?

- 5 What kinds of books did he edit?

- 6 Who was his boss at the BBC in 1952?

- 7 What job was he offered in 1965?

- 8 What did he introduce to Britain?

- 9 Did he accept the top job at the BBC in 1972?

- 10 How were his shows different from most other documentaries?

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GRAMMAR

1. Choose the correct options.

- 1) At six o'clock last night, I *watched* / *was watching* TV in the living room.
- 2) She *didn't hear* / *wasn't hearing* anything last night.
- 3) They *had* / *were having* dinner when the phone rang.
- 4) He *got up* / *was getting up* and *had* / *having* a shower. Then he *got* / *was getting* dressed.
- 5) It was a beautiful day. The birds *sang* / *were singing* and the sun *shone* / *was shining*.

2. Choose the correct options.

- 1) She's *just* / *yet* received a text from her best friend.
- 2) We've *ever* / *never* been abroad, but we'd love to go.
- 3) I've had my laptop *for* / *since* January.
- 4) Have you *ever* / *for* seen such a wonderful view before?
- 5) He's fast. He's *never* / *already* finished his homework.
- 6) It's 11 o'clock, but Fred hasn't got out of bed *already* / *yet*!
- 7) I've been at work *since* / *just* early this morning.
- 8) Why haven't they arrived *yet* / *already*? What's happened to them?
- 9) I've known my best friend *for* / *since* many years.
- 10) She isn't here. She's *ever* / *just* left the building.

3. Complete the phrases with go, keep or make.

- 1 ___ a decision
- 2 ___ a difference
- 3 ___ a secret
- 4 ___ abroad for a vacation
- 5 ___ calm
- 6 ___ control
- 7 ___ in touch
- 8 ___ it to the finals
- 9 ___ crazy
- 10 ___ someone's dreams come true

LISTENING

1. Listen. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? (CD Folder 2 Track 1)

- 1) Nancy finished writing her novel when she was 11 years old. ___
- 2) She has lived in the USA since she was seven years old. ___
- 3) Emily made one painting every day for eight years. ___
- 4) She began painting when she was 78. ___

2. Choose the correct options. (CD Folder 2 Track 2)

- 1) *Many* / *A few* children with a cleft lip or palate die before they are one year old.
- 2) In 1982 Bill and Kathy Magee were in the Philippines for a *short* / *long* time.
- 3) Operation Smile does work in *16* / *60* countries.
- 4) Five *hundred* / *thousand* volunteers work for Operation Smile.

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WRITING

THINK! Write (50 words or more). Write a “for and against” essay.

Is the computer the most important machine in our lives?

What do we use computers for?

What other things are important in our lives?

SPEAKING

1. Follow the instruction of the speak evaluator. Use complete statements and be as natural as you can.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Imagine you can live another person's life for one day. Whose life would you choose?2) What did you do the day before yesterday?3) What were you doing between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. last Sunday?4) What sports facilities do you have in your town or city?5) What have you already done today? What have you never done, but want to do? |
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