

## FACULTAD DE CIENCIAS AGRARIAS

### LEVEL 5: QUIZ 1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### 1) Read the following text and choose the correct person A to D (15p)

## When you don't go out to work

### A Max: language tutor

My work involves teaching people English via the internet. The best thing about working from home is not having anyone breathing down your neck or telling you what to do and being able to work in your own time. I teach people in other time zones so a lot of my classes are in the evenings or early mornings. The negative points have to be when an unexpected caller insists on ringing the doorbell when I'm working or when it's a very hot, sunny day and you'd rather be out in the sunshine but have to put in your hours. At the beginning, I was putting in far too many hours, actually. That was before I started using a diary. I make a note of all my appointments and classes, personal and professional alike. I don't think I could manage without it. It's my lifeline. I have one unbreakable rule: I always keep Sunday free for myself. Saturday too, if I can.

### B Peter: historian

I have always been home based. Soon after university I started work as a researcher for an established writer on archaeology and then I started writing my own books. Of course, I have had other jobs. As a kid I used to help in my parents' shop and I had a few holiday office jobs as a student as well. I learnt from the office jobs that I never wanted to do that sort of thing again! I feel sorry for those people who spend two hours a day squished in a Tube train breathing in bad air and then have to work in places like that. My office at home, the largest room in the house, has a sofa, TV and radio. I think it is important to be able to switch off occasionally and watch the news or whatever. Apart from not having to commute, you can also do two things at the same time, like monitoring the washing machine while getting on with work.

### C Mervin: musical supplier

I am the UK's leading supplier of music rolls for mechanical organs. For me working from home has all the usual advantages like not having to get up at some ungodly hour to go out to work, especially when it's freezing outside; no office politics, no boss looking over my shoulder and I can sit in the garden with my wife when the sun comes out. I can't think of any disadvantages but there are some things to take into account. Firstly, a home-based business sometimes has less credibility than a 'proper' one. It's generally not a good idea to let new customers know that you are working from home until you can show them that you are serious about what you do. Another thing is that sometimes it is illegal to run a business from your premises unless you get planning permission, especially if your work involves extra traffic, either deliveries or people, activity or noise.

### D Gary: magazine journalist

I was injured in a car crash and was stuck in the house with nothing to do. I did a lot of thinking about things and realised that I hated my job so much that it was making me miserable. Despite having wanted to be a journalist since I was a kid, I'd never really tried to get into it. It seemed a good time to change that, so I decided to contact a magazine with some story ideas. I ended up with my first commission and had enough work to go self-employed within six months. I need to do things pretty much the minute I get the commission. I don't mind, though. I like the pressure. I do find that without it, I just don't work. I need to have a bit of a crisis mentality. That's where I get the motivation from. Without something that motivates you, you end up watching dodgy television programmes instead of working.

#### 3 Read the article again. For questions 1–15, choose from the people A–D.

##### Which person

- offers some advice to others planning to work from home?
- was very unhappy before he started working from home?
- has not worked anywhere else since completing his education?
- finds it annoying when others interrupt his work?
- had to control the amount of time he was spending on work?
- sometimes finds self-discipline a problem?
- regards taking breaks and relaxing as a good thing?
- likes to spend longer in bed in the mornings?
- resists the temptation to go and sit outside?
- had an accident and couldn't go to work?
- keeps careful track of his activities?
- realised early on that he could not do some sorts of work?
- has managed to fulfil an ambition?
- is the most successful person working in his field?
- is sympathetic with other workers and what they have to put up with?

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**2) IDIOMS and VOCABULARY. Complete the sentences with the correct idiom. There are extra idioms you don't need to use. Conjugate TENSES (15p 1.5)**

**HILARIOUS – HAPPY GO LUCKY - HIGH FLIER- KNOW IT ALL – SOUR GRAPES - DEVIOUS –PANICKY- GREGARIOUS – MOODY- QUARRELSOME**

- 1) My older brother is always going out, he is really.....and has lots of friends!
- 2) He is so violent and ..... he would always start a fight.
- 3) I love Sam! He is so extroverted and .....he always makes me laugh!.
- 4) He is a real.....he is just 32 and he has set up his own computing company
- 5) Don't be..... go to her birthday party! you are always isolated!
- 6) My sister is so..... she would always rick my parents to do whatever she wants
- 7) Alice is a really unpredictable and .....person you have no idea how she will react
- 8) Yesterday I was.....when I heard you had a car accident.
- 9) I don't like .....people who are always pretending to be a walking encyclopedia.
- 10) He is such a .....woman, she would always smile and make you feel relaxed and optimistic!

**3) COMPLETE THE SENTENCES WITH THE CORRECT TENSE OF THE VERB (15p)**

1. Andy is tired because he (work)..... all day.
2. David broke his leg when he (ski).....last week.
3. (you/have)..... a nice time in Rome?
4. (you/finish)..... your homework yet?
5. He (be)..... at his computer for six hours.
6. I (not/know)..... much about art, but I like some artists.
7. I (receive)..... a postcard from Jane yesterday.
8. I (never/be)..... sailing, what's it like?
9. It (rain)..... when I got up this morning.
10. Janet (start)..... a new job next September.
11. Nelly (have)..... a great time in New York at the moment.
12. When I got the airport I realized I (forget)..... my passport.
13. As soon as they (arrive)..... we had dinner.
14. Where (Robert/live).....at present?
15. Who (Mandy/talk)..... to over there?

**4) Transformations. Transform the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first one. Don't change the word given (25p 2.5)**

- 1) I wanted to go to your house but I couldn't (GOING)  
I.....to go to your house but I couldn't

- 2) I really a didn't mean to offend you like that (**REGRET**)  
I.....you like that
- 3) You didn't call me so I didn't know (**WOULD**)  
If you had called me I.....
- 4) I should have told you the truth (**REGRET**)  
I.....you the truth
- 5) I hope I can go tomorrow it will be awesome! (**WISH**)  
I.....tomorrow it will be awesome!
- 6) If you had showed me how to do it I wouldn't have made a mistake (**IF ONLY**)  
If only you.....it I wouldn't have made a mistake
- 7) Why don't you start studying today? (**SUGGESTED**)  
She .....that day
- 8) I didn't take your money from your wallet! (**DENIED**)  
She.....from her wallet
- 9) I 'm so sorry for not telling you the truth (**APOLOGISED**)  
She.....her the truth
- 10) Sarah ,I will meet you at the cinema at 5 o'clock! (**TOLD**)  
She .....meet her at 5 o'clock.

5) Choose the correct option (16p)

- 1) She is a very **RUDE/POLITE/ THOUGHTFUL** person she would never tell you something offensive.
- 2) Just relax and don't **HAVE/MAKE/TAKE** a fuss about such a silly thing
- 3) Susi is such a **PICKY / EASY GOING /SYMPATHETIC** person she will always hear you and understand you
- 4) My father is so **STUBBORN/ SCEPTICAL / PICKY** he will always do thing in his own way!
- 5) Can I **TAKE / MAKE/ HAVE** a word with you about something important?
- 6) Don't be so **PICKY / ANNOYED / STUBBORN** with your food! Just eat it for God's sake!!!
- 7) I believe that the government should **HAVE- TAKE-MAKE** action about the environmental problems
- 8) If you feel stressed just **TAKE/HAVE/MAKE** a deep breath and you will feel much better.

**6) Complete with CONDITIONAL 3 (15p)**

- 1) If you ..... (not/be) late, we ..... (not/miss) the bus.
- 2) She ..... (pass) the exam if she ..... (study)
- 3) If we ..... (arrive) earlier, we ..... (see) John.
- 4) If they ..... (go) to bed early, they ..... (not/wake) up late.
- 5) He ..... (record) a CD if he ..... (become) a musician,