PRUEBA DE ACCESO Y ADMISIÓN A LA UNIVERSIDAD

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LENGUA EXTRANJERA (Inglés)

Instrucciones: a) Duración: 1 h.30m. b) No se permite el uso de diccionario. c) La puntuación de las preguntas está indicada en las mismas. d) Los alumnos deberán realizar completa una de las dos opciones A o B, sin poder mezclar las respuestas.

OPTION A: THE SPANISH LEGIÓN PUT ON DIET OVER OBESITY FEARS

The Spanish army has put soldiers in one of its most famous units on a diet because of fears that some are becoming obese. Members of La Legión, nicknamed "the Bridegrooms of Death", are known for their toughness, distinctive green uniforms and rapid marching pace. Recognisable by their open-necked shirts, the legionnaires found themselves attracting global attention last year after a Twitter user posted a picture of fatty soldiers with a sarcastic comment about their bellies and unbuttoned shirts.

Concerns have emerged over the legionnaires' figures and fitness levels, forcing the army to act. La Legión has elaborated an internal report, published by *El País*, which states that they require a series of measures to reduce excess weight among their personnel. The document has noted that factors including a lack of fitness facilities and a higher average age are contributing to the problem.

More than 3,000 troops have undergone checks to determine their body mass index (BMI). The results showed that 180 (6%) had a BMI of 30 or above, which makes them obese. They received medical examinations as well as nutritional advice and exercise plans to help them lose between 500g and 1kg a week. Although La Legión recognises that without the necessary action "we will be condemned to loss of prestige as a combat unit", it admits that being overweight "can be due to cultural, pathological or even psychological factors that need to be properly considered."

An army spokesman said the initiative, which began last September, was designed to improve legionnaires' wellbeing. "The reaction has been very positive and the initial results are good", he said.

I * COMPREHENSION (4 points)

CHOOSE AND WRITE THE CORRECT OPTION (A, B, C or D). (0.5 points each)

1. **According to the text, the legionnaires have become the focus of attention for…** ☐

(a) posting pictures on Twitter. (b) a picture posted on Twitter.
(c) their sensitiveness. (d) their good shape.

2. **The document treating obesity factors in the legionnaires was…** ☐

(a) posted by a Twitter user. (b) written by *El País*.
(c) tweeted by *El País*. (d) written by the military.

ARE THESE STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE? JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH THE PRECISE WORDS OR PHRASES FROM THE TEXT, OR USE YOUR OWN WORDS. (0.5 points each)

3. **Older legionnaires are more likely to be obese according to the report.** ☐ *lines* ☐
4. **More than 3,000 troops have been found to be overweight in La Legión.** ☐ *lines* ☐
5. **La Legión doesn't really care about its soldiers' appearance as long as they keep a high level of performance.** ☐ *lines* ☐
6. **The actions taken so far have been well received by the troops.** ☐ *lines* ☐

7. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)
   - 7.1. ONE OPPOSITE FOR **"excess"** (noun). ☐ *lines* ☐
   - 7.2. ONE OPPOSITE FOR **"worsen"** (verb). ☐ *lines* ☐

8. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)
   - 8.1. ONE WORD MEANING **"a person who speaks on behalf of others."** ☐ *lines* ☐
   - 8.2. ONE WORD MEANING **"good reputation, honour."** ☐ *lines* ☐

II * USE OF ENGLISH (3 points; 0.5 points each)

9. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH A CORRECT FORM OF THE VERB IN BRACKETS:
   - 9.1. **"She made me… the same thing over and over."** (do) ☐
   - 9.2. **"He never knows when… talking."** (stop) ☐

10. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH THE CORRECT OPTION:
    - 10.1. **"La Legión's pet goat plays a part… the Annual March."** to / for / in / from ☐
    - 10.2. **"They are not fond… summer camps."** of / about / for / to ☐

11. JOIN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES USING A RELATIVE. MAKE CHANGES IF NECESSARY: **"The infantry was marching past the cheering crowd. Their uniforms looked nicer this year."**

Answer here: ☐

12. GIVE A QUESTION FOR THE UNDERLINED WORDS: **"They received nutritional advice <u>to lose weight</u>."**

Answer here: ☐

13. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO THE PASSIVE VOICE: **"Doctors advise weak patients to gain weight gradually."**

Answer here: ☐

14. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONAL SENTENCE: **"Unless you change your eating habits,…"**

Answer here: ☐

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III WRITING (3 points)

15. WRITE A COMPOSITION OF APPROXIMATELY 120 WORDS ABOUT THE TOPIC PROPOSED AND FOCUS STRICTLY ON IT:
Advantages and disadvantages of following a diet.

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