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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 B: NETFLIX ADDICTION IS REAL

The World Health Organization (WHO) recently classified obsessive video-gaming as an addiction. I believe it won't be long until "gaming disorder" is joined in the WHO's International Classification of Diseases by another modern, screen-based illness: "Netflix disorder".

I watch a lot of Netflix and I am starting to worry that it has become an emotional aid. If I am feeling stressed or depressed, I self-medicate by staying up late, watching show after show. It makes me forget about everything else, which is welcome, considering the state of the world. And just when I remember what I should be focusing on, another episode starts automatically and I disconnect again.

Entertainment has always been about escapism. What is new, however, is the degree to which Netflix, like all the big tech platforms, is engineered to be addictive. Netflix has turned unhealthy behaviour into an accepted part of modern culture. It does not even try to hide the fact that its ambition is to hook us all. Reed Hastings, Netflix's co-founder, has admitted its biggest competitor is sleep. "When you watch a Netflix show and you get addicted to it, you stay up late at night", he said.

I am not the only one with a Netflix problem. Netflix has become the opium of the masses. Indeed, it is beginning to feel as though we are living in a real-world version of David Wallace's famous book, *Infinite Jest*, where there's a film so entertaining that its viewers lose interest in anything other than viewing it, and eventually die. We are also entertaining ourselves to death. Actually, I never finished reading *Infinite Jest*. But I am sure it will be on Netflix soon.

I * COMPREHENSION (4 points)

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

1. The author watches Netflix because... ____

(a) he/she is ill and confined to bed. (b) it helps him/her to stay away from his / her problems.
(c) he/she can't get any sleep at night. (d) it offers a kind of entertainment that is cheap and easy.

2. According to the writer, addiction to Netflix is... ____

(a) an isolated fact. (b) helpful for sleeping longer.
(c) an imaginary problem. (d) a collective problem.

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. Netflix addiction has already been considered a mental disease. ____ *lines* ____

Justify here: ____

4. Netflix is the only application which may turn you into a compulsive user. ____ *lines* ____

Justify here: ____

5. Reed Hastings admitted that helping people sleep is their final aim. ____ *lines* ____

Justify here: ____

6. As in the book *Infinite Jest*, the amusement provided by Netflix can be dangerous. ____ *lines* ____

Justify here: ____

7. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)

7.1. ONE SYNONYM FOR **"help"** (noun). ____ *line* ____

7.2. ONE SYNONYM FOR **"confess"** (verb). ____ *line* ____

8. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)

8.1. ONE WORD MEANING **"the way somebody or something acts or functions in particular situations."** ____ *line* ____

8.2. ONE WORD MEANING **"to put out of sight, or to keep secret."** ____ *line* ____

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. **"My parents won't allow me... Netflix."** (watch) ____

9.2. **"By the time they arrived, the film... yet."** (not begin) ____

10. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH THE CORRECT OPTION:

10.1. **"What time does the plane take...?"** over / on / off / up ____

10.2. **"She is getting... her flu really quickly."** of / along / over / from ____

11. REWRITE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE WITHOUT CHANGING ITS MEANING. BEGIN AS INDICATED: **"I was so bored that I decided to go to the cinema with my friends." If I...**

Answer here: ____

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12. GIVE A QUESTION FOR THE UNDERLINED WORDS: **"I self-medicate by staying up late."**

Answer here:

13. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO THE PASSIVE VOICE: **"Netflix has turned unhealthy behaviour into a part of modern culture."**

Answer here:

14. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO REPORTED SPEECH: **"Gloria said to us, 'Let's go for a walk.'"**

Answer here:

III * WRITING (3 points)

15. WRITE A COMPOSITION OF APPROXIMATELY 120 WORDS ABOUT THE TOPIC PROPOSED AND FOCUS STRICTLY ON IT:
Do you enjoy watching TV series? Explain.

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