

## GRAMMAR BANK EvAU MADRID (2009-2011)

## 2009-2010 - ORDINARIA - TEXTO A (The truth about bears)

- a) Everybody \_\_\_\_\_ (believe) that bears love \_\_\_\_\_ (eat) honey.  
 b) If we want to know the real facts \_\_\_\_\_ animals, we \_\_\_\_\_ study them in action.

**Rewrite the sentences starting with the words given:**

- c) It's not necessary to dissect an animal to know a lot about it.  
 You ....  
 d) When Rogers went near the bear, he called to it "Don't worry, bear!"  
 Rogers told....

## 2009-2010 - ORDINARIA - TEXTO B (India's economic revival)

- a) India is a country in South Asia \_\_\_\_\_ comprises most of the Indian subcontinent. The Ganges is the \_\_\_\_\_ (long) river in India.  
 b) The term "colony" comes \_\_\_\_\_ the Latin *colonia*, which originally \_\_\_\_\_ (mean) a place for agricultural activities.  
 c) "How \_\_\_\_\_ does it take to fly from London to India?"  
 "It \_\_\_\_\_ (take) around nine hours."  
 d) The Ming dynasty began in 1368, and lasted until 1644 AD. \_\_\_\_\_ founder was a peasant who became Emperor after \_\_\_\_\_ (defeat) the Mongols and the Yuan Dynasty.

2009-2010 - EXTRAORDINARIA - TEXTO A  
(Music therapy can help children with communication problems)

- a. Music, \_\_\_\_\_ constitutes a bridge \_\_\_\_\_ the quiet world that the children knew and a new world of sounds, is used in rehabilitation.  
 b. These sessions \_\_\_\_\_ (videotape) and analysed \_\_\_\_\_ show the results.  
 c. There is still \_\_\_\_\_ work to be done \_\_\_\_\_ researchers in this area.  
 d. **Rewrite the sentence beginning with the words given.**  
 The mother said: "My son has improved his communication with music therapy."  
 The mother said that.....

## 2011-2012 - EXTRAORDINARIA - TEXTO B (Trick or treat: It's Halloween)

- a) \_\_\_\_\_ children don't get sweets \_\_\_\_\_ their neighbours, they will play tricks on them.  
 b) The Irish emigrated to America \_\_\_\_\_ they could find \_\_\_\_\_ better life.  
 c) \_\_\_\_\_ it is an American tradition, interest \_\_\_\_\_ Halloween is increasing in Europe.  
 d) **Rewrite the following sentence from the text. Begin with the words given.**  
 d. New York's Village Halloween Parade attracts two million people who celebrate in the streets.  
 Two million people .....

**2010-2011 - ORDINARIA - TEXTO A (Self-driving Google Cars)**

- a) Last year my neighbour \_\_\_\_\_ (buy) a Google car and he \_\_\_\_\_ (complain) since then.
- b) According to the World Health Organization, more \_\_\_\_\_ 1.2 million lives \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) in accidents every year.
- c) Nowadays, there \_\_\_\_\_ many people who would enjoy \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) a robot car.
- d) The robot car was invented \_\_\_\_\_ Sebastian Thrun, \_\_\_\_\_ engineer who works for Google.

**2010-2011- ORDINARIA - TEXTO B (What's in a name?)**

- a) Naming your baby is one of \_\_\_\_\_ (important) tasks you will ever face. A silly name may affect you and your child \_\_\_\_\_ ever!
- b) \_\_\_\_\_ you don't like the first name that comes into your mind, keep \_\_\_\_\_ (search) until you find a name that you really like.
- c) No one \_\_\_\_\_ (like) having their name constantly \_\_\_\_\_ (mispronounce), that's for sure.
- d) Once you have an idea for your \_\_\_\_\_ (baby) name, always check the initials! I had a neighbour \_\_\_\_\_ initials were "P.I.G."

**2010-2011- EXTRAORDINARIA - TEXTO A (Cleopatra was not killed by a snake)**

- a) The popular image we have of Cleopatra is \_\_\_\_\_ of a beautiful queen \_\_\_\_\_ was adored by Roman politicians and generals.
- b) An old coin with the image of Cleopatra \_\_\_\_\_ (show) that she may not have been as attractive \_\_\_\_\_ first thought.
- c) The coin, which \_\_\_\_\_ (hide) in a bank vault, accidentally fell \_\_\_\_\_ the floor of the bank after a robbery.
- d) Shakespeare \_\_\_\_\_ (write) his tragedy *Antony and Cleopatra* in 1608, but it was first printed fifteen years \_\_\_\_\_ (late).

**2010-2011- EXTRAORDINARIA - TEXTO B (What should we do about climate change?)**

- a) The environment is a topic \_\_\_\_\_ many people are interested \_\_\_\_\_.
- b) The electricity \_\_\_\_\_ (cut) off while we were listening \_\_\_\_\_ the radio.
- c) Last year I \_\_\_\_\_ (take) the bus to work instead of \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) my car.
- d) **Rewrite the following question, beginning with the words given.**  
 d. "Why should people use less energy?" they asked.  
 They asked \_\_\_\_\_