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PRUEBA DE COMPRENSIÓN DE TEXTOS ESCRITOS

TAREAS: La prueba de Comprensión de Textos Escritos consta de TRES textos y TRES tareas.

DURACIÓN TOTAL: 60 minutos INDICACIONES:

- TODAS las respuestas se escribirán en la ***hoja de respuestas***.
- Emplear tinta permanente azul o negra. No usar lápiz.
- Corregir ~~tachando~~ el texto. No usar correctores líquidos o cintas.

Puntuación total: 26 puntos. "Apto" ≥ 13

TASK 1 ➤ Read TEXT 1, "Kenya Celebrates New Tree-Planting Holiday". For each gap (1-10), choose the best item from the table below. There are TEN items that you DO NOT need. The first item is an example.

amazed	around	both	created	early
excited	exhausting	for	hopes	late
of	planting	sensitive	special	stubborn
them	to grow	wants	which	who

TEXT 1 – Kenya Celebrates New tree-Planting holiday

On Monday, people across Kenya took part in the **– *EXAMPLE* –** first national tree-planting holiday. The holiday was **– 1 –** by Kenya's president, William Ruto, to encourage people to plant trees as part of a plan to fight the climate crisis.

Kenya is famous for its beautiful forests and wildlife. But large areas of Kenya's forests have been cut down, either for the wood, to clear the land for farming, or **– 2 –**. And these trees would normally help absorb carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas that's a major cause of the climate crisis.

Currently, just 7% of Kenya is covered by trees. Mr. Ruto has a goal of planting 15 billion trees by 2032. He **– 3 –** that will help Kenya cover 30% of its land with trees.

The government says **– 4 –** trees will reduce pollution, and help protect the country's food and water supply. Kenya has been seriously affected by the climate crisis. The country has been hit by a severe drought*, and the area's rain patterns have been changing for the worse.

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In **– 5 –** November, to help get Kenya's massive tree-planting effort started, the government declared November 13 a holiday – National Tree Growing Day. To prepare for the day, the government got 150 million young trees ready for planting

The government created a **– 6 –** app to help organize the tree planting. The app is called JazaMiti, which means "fill with trees" in Swahili. The app helps people collect young trees, find places to plant, and record their efforts. The app will also help the government track how many trees have been planted in different areas **– 7 –** the country.

On Monday, people all over Kenya turned out in large numbers to take part in the holiday. In the capital, Nairobi, hundreds of people joined in, even though it was raining. Government leaders led planting efforts in different parts of the country. Workers, students, families, and other groups showed up to take part.

Mr. Ruto took part in a tree-planting event in Kiu Wetland in southern Kenya. "We will continue to protect our environment and ensure we leave behind a nation that the future generation will be proud **– 8 –**," he said.

It's not yet clear how many trees were actually planted. But the government had a goal of planting 100 million trees on Monday, and several hundred million more before the end of December.

Elizabeth Wathuti, **– 9 –** works to protect the environment, was very happy about the support Kenyans showed for tree planting. But she pointed out that it would be very important to continue to take care of the trees as they grow. "Tree planting is just the beginning," she said.

Though most Kenyans supported the event, some people were upset because the holiday was announced too late for them to be able to take part.
Still others have criticized the government for a decision Mr. Ruto made earlier this year. The country had a ban* on cutting down older trees, and Mr. Ruto ended that ban.

Even so, many people were very **– 10 –** about the tree-planting holiday. Some expect it to happen every year.

*drought: a long dry period with little or no rain.
*to ban something: to make it against the law.

Fuente: Newsforkids.net - NFK Editors - 16/11/2023 Adaptado de https://newsforkids.net/articles/2023/11/16/kenya-celebrates-new-tree-

TASK 2 ➢ Read TEXT 2, "Reasons to Learn English". Choose the heading (A-J) that best matches each paragraph (11-18). There are TWO extra headings that you DO NOT need. The first one is an example. Write the corresponding letters (A-J) 8 points

A-It increases your job opportunities.
B-It makes it easier to connect with others.
C-It's one of the easiest languages in the world.
D-It's the language most widely used online.
E-Knowing the language will give you access to endless material.
F-Most academic research is done in English.
G-Most movies are done in English.
H-There are lots of materials for students.
I-Travel will become much easier.
J-Your work will be appreciated by more people.

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TEXT 2 – Reasons to learn English

There are currently about 7,106 languages in use today. Some of these are not used beyond small communities while others are known across the world. One of the most popular of these is English. If you are considering learning English but aren't sure if it'll be worth it, here are some reasons why you should look for an English language course and learn the language.

– *EXAMPLE* – Take a look at the global media landscape. One thing you will realise is that English is quite widely used by radio stations, news channels, and more media. For example, the official language of France is French but even they have news services offered in English. The same goes for Iran, China, Russia, and many more countries.

– 11 – Most businesses conduct their day-to-day operations in English. Especially if you are dealing with a multinational corporation, knowing how to speak the language will put you a step ahead of your competition .

– 12 – It would not be an exaggeration to say that. It is based on a simple alphabet with 26 letters and it is really flexible. It will almost be a walk in the park, explaining the many English classes for kids in Singapore.

– 13 – You will have a much better time communicating with the people you meet if you know how to speak English. This covers a whole lot of areas: from immigration officers to hotel personnel, and even the taxi drivers that will move you around your destination.

– 14 – The Internet has become such a big part of our lives. Today, you can learn, shop, get some entertainment, and even find a partner on the many dating platforms that are on the web. Most of these sites are in English and knowing the language will make it easy for you to do anything.

– 15 – Although some are translated into other languages, you will have a much better time if you can understand English. Also, you will have the opportunity to improve your English while you enjoy your favorite pastime.

– 16 – Part of the reason learning English is easy is that there is so much content to suit your needs, whether you are a beginner or a proficient speaker. There are all sorts of websites, forums, and even smartphone apps that you could use.

– 17 – You will have better chances of communicating with other people if you can speak English. As stated earlier, most countries are English speaking. Knowing the language simply means you have a much bigger pool of people to communicate with.

– 18 – Today, picking up a craft is easy. For example, if you would like to learn Photoshop, all you have to do is go to YouTube and you will find a million tutorials on the subject. The only problem is that if you cannot speak English, you will miss out since most of these are done in English.

Fuente: English Explorer
Adaptado de https://englishexplorer.com.sg/10-reasons-learn-english/ - 537 palabras

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TASK 3 ➤ Read TEXT 3 "The roommate: a scary story". Choose the line (A-N) from the list below that best completes each gap. There are SIX extra lines that you DO NOT need. The first one is an example. Write the right letters (A-N). ***8 points***

(EXAMPLE) for a cheap and spacious home for rent. ✓

A-a knock on the door
B-checking it would take him so long to get to work
C-every time they came face to face
D-felt as if he was a little child
E-felt someone was already there
F-hearing the reasonable and cheap price of the spacious flat
G-his girlfriend with a bunch of flowers
H-it was the perfect home for him
I-the lights went out
J-the owner holding an axe
K-the stranger decided to leave
L-watching the news on TV
M-when he went to bed
N-where he knocked on the door

TEXT 3 – *The roommate: a scary story*

Aniket had to move to a new city due to his new job. He was searching **– *EXAMPLE* –**. After lots of searching, he entered an apartment with three floors. He headed towards the owner's house on the ground floor, **– 19** , and the owner, after a cautious glance through the peephole, welcomed him in.

He decided to take the house on the first floor for rent after **– 20 –**. The owner's smile while leaving made him a little curious. He shifted into that house, Aniket became absorbed in his daily work routine after joining his new office.

Day by day, he got busy with his daily routine. Someone from the neighbourhood told him that the owner was unstable, and he should have rented another house. But he ignored the suggestion because **– 21 –**, and he was convinced of that.

Now, however, the owner's smile became creepy for him and used to make him nervous **– 22 –**, whenever they crossed paths.

In the next week, during his week off from the office, he decided to spend a peaceful day at home. However, **– 23 –** in the late morning disrupted his plans. Opening the door, he was greeted by a stranger with luggage, looking for a room to rent. Aniket, being an accommodating host, welcomed the new roommate into his home.

After that, they had a long talk. They discussed why the other flats were empty and, intrigued by the mystery, they decided to talk about it with the owner after dinner. Just as they finished their meal, **– 24 –**. The only source of illumination was the faint light coming from the bottom of the door as the lights in the corridor were on.

Suddenly, they heard hard knocks on the door. Aniket managed to reach the door as the light was coming from the bottom of the door in the home. Aniket looked through the peephole and, to his horror, he saw **– 25 –**.

Aniket got scared, thinking about the talk with the neighbour. In a panic, he turned back and started

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searching desperately for a cupboard to hide. Somehow, he found the door of the cupboard in the dark. Aniket got into that cupboard and **– 26 –**. It was his roommate.

The roommate told him to get out from the cupboard and hide somewhere else. Aniket asked, "why?" The roommate replied, "This is the place where the owner killed me last time!"

Fuente: Quora.com Adaptado de https://www.quora.com/What-are-the-best-short-scary-stories - 464 palabras

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