

AN ROINN OIDEACHAIS AGUS EOLAÍOCHTA
LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION 1999

SPANISH

**LISTENING COMPREHENSION TEST — HIGHER LEVEL
(80 marks)**

TUESDAY, 22 JUNE — MORNING, 12.10 — 12.50

CENTRE NUMBER

CANDIDATE NUMBER

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

If you have difficulty hearing the tape, raise your hand now to indicate to the Superintendent that the sound should be adjusted. Once the test proper has started, you must not interrupt.

The test consists of nine sections: two announcements, two dialogues, two descriptive passages, a weather report and two news items.

You will hear each section three times.

The first reading is intended to give you a general idea of the meaning of the section and it is suggested that you listen carefully and do not write answers. At the end of this reading you will hear two pips.

At the end of the second reading you will hear two pips and this will be followed by a one minute pause during which you should write the answers to the questions on that section.

The third reading is intended to give you an opportunity to revise your answers. It will be followed by a continuous tone which will signal the end of the test on that particular section.

There will be a short pause between sections.

1. ANUNCIO (8)

**GODZILLA VA A LLEGAR PRONTO
(GODZILLA IS ON THE WAY)**

(a) Why are people who come to see the film advised to hold on to their seats?

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(b) Mention two unpleasant characteristics of Godzilla.

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(c) What happened the crew of the fishing boat?

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(d) What happened in the hospital?

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2. ANUNCIO (10)

**DESFILE DE MODA EN EL COLEGIO
(FASHION PARADE IN THE SCHOOL)**

(a) For what season are the fashions suitable?

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(b) What is said about the collection?

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(c) What two features of the designs are highlighted?

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(d) Who will model the clothes?

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(e) What will be done with the money taken at the function?

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3. DIÁLOGO (8)

**INTERVIÚ CON UN CANTANTE DE POP
(INTERVIEW WITH A POP STAR)**

(a) What is Andrés asked about his latest album?

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(b) How does he describe the album?

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(c) Who helped him most in his professional life?

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(d) What does he plan to do now?

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4. DIÁLOGO (8)

**MARÍA Y PILAR SE ENCUENTRAN EN LA PLAYA
(MARÍA AND PILAR MEET ON THE BEACH)**

(a) Why has Pilar not been to the beach for over two weeks?

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(b) Why has she come to the beach today?

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(c) Why has María not gone for a swim yet?

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(d) What will Pilar be doing in the afternoon?

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5. DESCRIPTIVO (10)

**CELINE DION, CANTANTE
(CELINE DION, SONGSTRESS)**

(a) What is mentioned as being a cause of Celine Dion's sale-topping success in recent years?

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(b) When was she born?

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(c) What is said about her family?

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(d) Why were the years 1983 and 1990 significant in her career?

1983

1990

6. DESCRIPTIVO (10)

**PROBLEMAS AL VOLVER AL COLEGIO
(PROBLEMS ON RETURNING TO SCHOOL)**

(a) From what complaints do some students suffer when they return to school in September?

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(b) What brings on these complaints?

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(c) Why may a visit to the doctor be necessary?

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(d) Why do most students look forward to returning to school?

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7. EL TIEMPO (8)

(a) Which areas are affected by the depression-related unstable atmosphere?

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(b) What is said about the strong anticyclone?

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(c) Summarise the forecast for the Basque country under the headings given.

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8. UNA NOTICIA (8)

**HUELGA EN UN AEROPUERTO
(STRIKE AT AN AIRPORT)**

(a) When did the strike start?

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(b) What indicates the workers' determination?

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(c) What are the workers looking for?

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(d) What is the management's final offer?

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9. UNA NOTICIA (10)

**UN PADRE SE ENCUENTRA POR INTERNET
(FATHER TRACED BY INTERNET)**

(a) For how long had Ángel presumed that his father was dead?

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(b) State where and when they will meet.

WHERE WHEN

(c) How did he loose contact with his father?

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(d) What happened when Ángel tried to trace his father on the Internet?

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