

AN ROINN OIDEACHAIS AGUS EOLAÍOCHTA

LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2002

SPANISH

LISTENING COMPREHENSION TEST - HIGHER LEVEL
(80 marks)

TUESDAY, 18 JUNE – MORNING, 12.10 - 12.50

CENTRE NUMBER

CANDIDATE'S NUMBER

N.B. FOR USE BY EXAMINER ONLY

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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 volume should be adjusted. Once the test has started you must not interrupt.

The test consists of seven sections: an announcement, two dialogues, two descriptive passages, a weather report and a news item.

You will hear each section three times.

N.B. All questions to be answered in English.

1. **ANUNCIO:** This will be played **three times**: first right through, then in two segments with a 40-second pause after each segment, and finally, right through again.

HARRY POTTER: UN HÉROE INFANTIL
(HARRY POTTER: A YOUNG HERO)

(a) Mention three details about Harry Potter's appearance.

(i)

(ii)

(iii)

(b) For how long have Harry Potter books been best sellers?

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* PAUSE

(c) Why do the books appeal to young readers? (Give full details.)

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(d) What can be expected when Warner Brothers make a film of the Harry Potter books?

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2. **DIÁLOGO:** This will be played **three times**: first right through, then in two segments with a 40-second pause after each segment, and finally, right through again.

ENTREVISTA CON UNA ACTRIZ DE CINE DE 18 AÑOS
(INTERVIEW WITH AN 18 YEAR OLD FILM ACTRESS)

(a) Mention two characteristics of this actress's personality.

(i).....(ii).....

(b) According to the actress, how does she achieve her objectives in life?

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* PAUSE

(c) What does she regret having to do?

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(d) What causes people to fall in love according to this actress? (Give two details.)

(i).....(ii).....

3. **DIÁLOGO:** This will be played **three times**: first right through, then in two segments with a 40-second pause after each segment, and finally, right through again.

CARLOS LLEVA A LUISA EN SU NUEVO COCHE
(CARLOS GIVES LUISA A LIFT IN HIS NEW CAR)

(a) What does Carlos think of his new car?

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(b) Why does Luisa not want to travel very far in Carlos' car?

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(c) What comment does Luisa make about the speed limit? (Give full details.)

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* PAUSE

(d) What happens to the car?

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(e) What does Luisa then decide to do?

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4. **DESCRIPTIVO:** This will be played **three times**: first right through, then in two segments with a 40-second pause after each segment, and finally, right through again.

BRITNEY SPEARS: UNA ESTRELLA DEL SIGLO XXI
(BRITNEY SPEARS: A 21ST CENTURY STAR)

(a) Give one reason why Britney Spears is described as an exceptional person.

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(b) What did she do with the money earned from selling the signed copy of *Rolling Stone*?

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* PAUSE

(c) What is her philosophy in life?

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(d) What would she do if she had a week free from work? (Give full details.)

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5. **DESCRIPTIVO:** This will be played **three times**: first right through, then in two segments with a 40-second pause after each segment, and finally, right through again.

UNAS VACACIONES MÁGICAS
(MAGICAL HOLIDAYS)

(a) Mention two aspects of holidays which this person likes.

(i).....

(ii).....

(b) Why do we need to have contact with nature?

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* PAUSE

(c) Why are we advised to bathe in the sea?

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(d) Explain in detail why trees are mentioned.

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6. **EL TIEMPO:** This will be played **three times** right through with ONE 40-second pause after the SECOND hearing.

(a) What weather is forecast for the early morning in the Basque region?

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(b) What is forecast for (i) the morning and (ii) the afternoon in the Galicia, La Rioja, Navarra and Aragón regions?

(i).....

(ii).....

(c) What are the maximum and minimum temperatures forecast for the region?

Maximum:..... Minimum:.....

7. **UNA NOTICIA:** This will be played **three times:** first right through, then in two segments with a 40-second pause after each segment, and finally, right through again.

DETENIDA UNA ADOLESCENTE POR AGRESIÓN A SU HERMANO
(TEENAGER ARRESTED FOR ATTACK ON HER BROTHER)

(a) Why did the girl attack her brother?

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(b) Describe the nature of the attack. (Give three details.)

(i).....

(ii).....

(iii).....

* PAUSE

(c) Why did the police feel it necessary to bring her to the Police Station?

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(d) What happened later (i) to the girl, and (ii) to the boy. (Give full details.)

(i).....

(ii).....

END OF LISTENING COMPREHENSION TEST