SELECTIVIDAD SEPTIEMBRE 2011 INGLÉS OPCIÓN A RESUELTO

Cleopatra Was not Killed by a Snake

1.- Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Copy the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a) Professor Schaefer’s new hypothesis about the cause of Cleopatra’s death was made known through a specialized magazine.
   **FALSE** “Now Christoph Schaefer, a German historian and professor at the University of Trier, has presented evidence on a television programme that drugs and not a snake were the cause of death”

b) Experts in poisons told Schaefer that a snake bite causes immediate death.
   **FALSE** “He said that the bite of a snake would have given her an agonizing death over several days”

2.- In your own words and based on the ideas in the text, answer the following questions. Do not copy from the text. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos) hay muchas respuestas correctas, lo importante es NO COPIAR DEL TEXTO, o no nos darán puntuación, aun así os proponemos posibles respuestas.

a) Why is Mark Antony mentioned in the text? Because he was Cleopatra’s boyfriend and he also killed himself.

b) What made Professor Schaefer think that a snake bite was not the cause of Cleopatra’s death? Because the snake’s poison would have killed her slowly.

3.- Find the words or phrases in the text that mean: (Puntuación máxima: 1 punto)

a) the same (paragraph 1) - likewise

b) represented (paragraph 1) - portrayed

b) proof (paragraph 2) - evidence

c) drink (paragraph 3) - took

4.- Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a) The popular image we have of Cleopatra is _____ of a beautiful queen __who____ was adored by Roman politicians and generals.

b) An old coin with the image of Cleopatra __showed____ (show) that she may not have been as attractive ____as____ first thought.
c) The coin, which __was hidden___ (hide) in a bank vault, accidentally fell __on___ the floor of the bank after a robbery.

d) Shakespeare __wrote___ (write) his tragedy Antony and Cleopatra in 1608, but it was first printed fifteen years __later___ (late).

5.- Write about 100 to 150 words on the following topic. Write about a historical figure that you admire. (Puntuación máxima: 3 puntos)

En las redacciones hay también muchas opciones, tantas como personas ya que tiene que ser algo de invención propia, lo importante es intentar hacer párrafos diferenciados, usar un vocabulario variado y extenso, y emplear un orden lógico.

EJEMPLO:

I admire very much, the historical figure of Ramses II, there are a lot of reasons why he is my favourite character of the World History.

First of all he was a pharaoh with a lot of power, but he wasn’t bad with the rest of the people nor he was a dictator. People of his age admired him as God, because he was fair and generous. Secondly he ordered the most beautiful temples and monuments of Egypt. However, it is true that The Holy Bible say that he was the enemy of Moses.

Finally, his empire was known all over the world and he is famous now and then.

SELECTIVIDAD SEPTIEMBRE 2011 INGLÉS OPCIÓN B RESUELTO

What Should We Do about Climate Change?

1.- Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Copy the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a) In Australia, more energy is used in the winter.

FALSE “In Australia, peak energy demand is on hot summer days, when solar energy is most abundant”

b) Most scientists think climate change is taking place.

TRUE “As a matter of fact, ninety-seven percent of scientists agree that climate change is happening”

2.- In your own words and based on the ideas in the text, answer the following questions. Do not copy from the text. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos) hay muchas respuestas correctas, lo
a) How can global warming be solved? Give at least two possible solutions. Maybe using renewable energies, using water properly, saving water and energy, producing clean combustible.

b) Why are some industries against informing the public about climate change? Because changing their production, using less or clean energy will cost them a lot of money, so they won’t have the same benefits.

3.- Find the words in the text that mean: (Puntuación máxima: 1 punto)

a) supplying (paragraph 1)-providing

b) maximum (paragraph 1) -peak

c) since (paragraph 3) –for over

d) repair (paragraph 3) -fix

4.- Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a) The environment is a topic __which/that___ many people are interested __in__.

b) The electricity __was cut___ (cut) off while we were listening __to___ the radio.

c) Last year I ___took__ (take) the bus to work instead of ___driving___ (drive) my car.

d) Rewrite the following question, beginning with the words given.

d. “Why should people use less energy?” they asked.

They asked__ why people should use less energy__

5. - Write about 100 to 150 words on the following topic. Is climate change a real problem? Why? Give your opinion on the topic. (Puntuación máxima: 3 puntos)

In my opinion, climate change is a reality, but we prefer to believe that it is not a real problem.
First of all, some seasons have disappeared like autumn and spring, here, in Spain we can feel how one day we change our coat for a t-shirt and at the end of the summer one day we are wearing a bikini and the next day it’s freezing. Secondly, scientists say that the poles are melting and that this is dangerous for future generations. However, people don’t mind, it is not our business because it will happen to our children or grandchildren.

To sum up, I think that we don’t want to realize that climate change is a real problem and our problem