

# PRUEBA DE NIVEL DE INGLÉS

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## PART 1

### A) READ THE TEXT. ARE THE STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE?

Dear Mike,

Hope you are OK. We are having a great holiday here. We arrived in Caernarfon, Wales, four days ago and we are staying in a small hotel in the old town. Yesterday we went to see the castle, and tomorrow we are driving to Snowdonia National Park.

At the moment we are sitting in a café in the city centre after spending a lot of money shopping. In the afternoon, we plan to relax on the beach.

People here are very friendly. They are easy to talk to. The main language here is English but about a twenty per cent of the Welsh can speak both Welsh and English. Next week we are visiting a village that has the longest place name in the world: Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerych – wyrndrobwllantysiliogogoch. Try to say that!

Laura XXX.

1. Laura has spent four days in Caernarfon.
2. Shopping is the only attraction for tourists in Caernarfon.
3. There are no shops in Caernarfon.
4. The locals are very friendly.
5. Everybody in Caernarfon speaks Welsh.
6. Laura wrote this letter from a village called Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllanty-siliogogoch.
7. Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllanty-siliogogoch it's the largest village in the world.

## B) WRITING

Now write a few words about yourself: your name, your age, what you are studying, the place where you were born, your family, your hobbies or pastimes, etc (use between 25 to 50 words, which make approximately 4 to 6 lines).

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## C) USE OF ENGLISH

Choose the best option for each sentence.

1. "How many books \_\_\_\_\_?"  
A) he did write      B) wrote him      C) did he write
2. He \_\_\_\_\_ after dinner.  
A) usually drinks coffee      B) drinks coffee usually      C) coffee usually drinks
3. I'll buy you a present \_\_\_\_\_ you pass your exams in June.  
A) because      B) if      C) so
4. I'll relax \_\_\_\_\_ I finish all my exams in June.  
A) after      B) before      C) while
5. My mother's brother is my \_\_\_\_\_.  
A) aunt      B) uncle      C) nephew
6. \_\_\_\_\_ to the cinema last Saturday?  
A) Have you gone      B) Did you go      C) Went you

7. Both of them are good secondary schools, but this one is \_\_\_\_\_ than the other.

- A) nearer      B) more nearer      C) more nearly

8. Liz \_\_\_\_\_ some tea when her son came back home.

- A) was having      B) has had      C) has

9. You've never been to a Chinese restaurant, \_\_\_\_\_?

- A) have you      B) don't you      C) aren't you

10. You are never \_\_\_\_\_ to learn.

- A) enough old      B) older enough      C) too old

11. You have done your homework \_\_\_\_\_ than yesterday.

- A) more bad      B) worst      C) worse

12. Your sister would have more friends if she \_\_\_\_\_ out every day.

- A) would go      B) went      C) will go

13. The play will start \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) at half an hour      B) at half hour      C) in half an hour

14. While my house \_\_\_\_\_ I'll live in Ann's flat.

- A) Is paint      B) is painted      C) paints

15. Do you give and get presents \_\_\_\_\_ Christmas Day?

- A) on      B) in      C) at

## PART 2

### A) READING COMPREHENSION

Read the following passage and complete each gap with one suitable word from the list provided. Each of these words can be used only once. There are some words you will not need.

#### LITTLE GARDEN

Whether you think that garden gnomes are fun and playful (0) ..., or that they are ugly and take away from the beauty of any garden, most people seem to view them with affection and amusement. Many English gardeners happily display their collection of garden gnomes as part of a water display or as a centerpiece to a (1) ... flowerbed.

Ardent enthusiasts travel many miles to add a sought-after gnome to their collection. Such collectors search out gnomes with fishing rods, gnomes (2) ... wheelbarrows, gnomes dancing, or even gnomes simply sitting on a mushroom and serenely watching the world go by. However, the majority of professional gardeners see garden gnomes as a blight on good gardening, an unwelcome sign of the sort of kitsch taste that many of us secretly love!

Whatever your personal view, most people generally assume that garden gnomes are not especially (3) ... or dangerous. So it comes as a(n) (4) ... to many to discover that a group of garden gnomes is responsible for the injury – and even death – of many (5) ..., a group of garden gnomes lies hidden at the bottom of a deep lake called Wastwater, in the Lake District in the north of west England. A young diver first placed a garden gnome at the bottom of the lake as a joke to amuse other divers experienced enough to swim in the treacherous waters of the lake. The idea spread.

(6) ..., the presence of these otherwise charming gnomes is having tragic fatal consequences for many visitors to the lake. As the fame of Watswater garden gnomes grows, a(n) (7) ... number of divers come to the lake to add their own gnome to the garden, or simply to see this weird, very English kind of folly for themselves. Sadly, the lake's cold, dark waters are proving to be treacherous and fatal for all too many of the increasingly inexperienced divers swimming in the depths.

AMAZINGLY

CHARMING

EXCEEDING

HARMFUL

INCREASING

ORNAMENTS (0)

PUSHING

SHOCK

TRAUMA

UNFORESEEN

UNFORTUNATELY

## **B) WRITING**

Now write about this reading. Did you like it or find it interesting? Explain and justify your answer (25 to 50 words approximately).

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### C) USE OF ENGLISH

Choose the correct option to complete the following sentences.

1. When can we meet again?
  - A) When are you free?
  - B) It was two days ago.
  - C) Can you help me?
  
2. My aunt is going to stay with me.
  - A) How do you do?
  - B) How long for?
  - C) How was it?
  
3. When do you study?
  - A) At school.
  - B) In the evenings.
  - C) In the library.
  
4. Are you free this Tuesday?
  - A) I can be, if it's important.
  - B) Sorry I'm late.
  - C) Not very often.
  
5. Let's have supper now.
  - A) You aren't eating.
  - B) There aren't any.
  - C) Bill isn't here yet.
  
6. The snow was ... heavily when I left the house.
  - A) dropping
  - B) landing
  - C) falling
  - D) descending

7. I can't find my keys anywhere I ... have left them at work.
- A) Can
  - B) must
  - C) ought
  - D) would
8. When a car pulled out in front of her, Margot did well not to ... control of her bicycle.
- A) miss
  - B) lose
  - C) fail
  - D) drop
9. According to Ivan's ... the train leaves at 7 o'clock.
- A) opinion
  - B) advice
  - C) knowledge
  - D) information
10. My friend's child behaved really well ... the journey.
- A) all over
  - B) wherever
  - C) throughout
  - D) right across
11. What differences are there ... the English spoken in England and the English spoken in America?
- A) among
  - B) between
  - C) beside
  - D) with

12. At 6pm I started to get angry with him because he was late ...
- A) as usual
  - B) in general
  - C) typically
  - D) usually
13. ... you get your father's permission, I'll take you skiing next weekend.
- A) Although
  - B) Provided
  - C) As
  - D) Unless
14. The journey ... out to be a lot easier than I had expected.
- A) set
  - B) came
  - C) put
  - D) turned
15. This product must be eaten ... two days of purchase.
- A) by
  - B) before
  - C) within
  - D) under
16. I didn't ... driving home in the storm so I stayed overnight in a hotel.
- A) fancy
  - B) desire
  - C) prefer
  - D) want

17. ... from the surveyor's report, we would be unwise to purchase that property.

- A) Seeing
- B) Taken
- C) Given
- D) Judging

18. Marianne seemed to take ... at my comments on her work.

- A) annoyance
- B) insult
- C) offense
- D) indignation

19. It was a ... of luck that Jane was available when the job came up.

- A) blow
- B) stroke
- C) brush
- D) touch

20. The farmhouse was so isolated that they had to generate their own electricity ...

- A) current
- B) supply
- C) grid
- D) power

