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INSTRUCCIONES PARA LA REALIZACIÓN DE ESTA PARTE

- **DURACIÓN: 45 minutos.**
- **PUNTUACIÓN:** Será necesario superar todas y cada una de las cinco actividades de lengua de las que constan las pruebas de certificación con una puntuación mínima del 50% en cada una de ellas y una calificación global final igual o superior al 65%.
- Las respuestas erróneas no descontarán puntos.
- Esta parte consta de TRES tareas.
- Leer las instrucciones al principio de cada tarea y realizarla según se indica.
- Las respuestas escritas a lápiz no se calificarán.
- No está permitido el uso del diccionario.
- **NO ESCRIBIR NADA EN LAS ÁREAS GRISES.**

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TASK 1

Read the following text and choose the best answer (A, B or C) for each question (1-8). Question (0) is an example. Write your answers in the Answer Box (1 item = 0.8).

HOUDINI

Harry Houdini was born on March 24, 1874 in Budapest, Hungary. When he was four years old his family moved to the United States. They lived in Wisconsin for a while and then moved to New York City.

Harry Houdini's real name was Ehrich Weiss. He started using the name "Harry Houdini" as a stage name in 1894. The name "Harry" came from his childhood nickname "Ehrie." The name "Houdini" came from one of his favorite musicians, a Frenchman with the last name Houdin. He added the "i" to "Houdin" and he had the name Harry Houdini.

Harry worked various odd jobs to help out the family while growing up. He worked as a locksmith for a time where he became an expert at picking locks (this skill would come in handy later). Young Harry always had an interest in magic and performing. Around the age of seventeen he began doing a magic show with his brother "Dash" called "The Brothers Houdini." Harry would spend hours working on magic tricks and practicing quick hand movements.

While Harry and his brother were working at Coney Island, Harry met a dancer named Bess. They fell in love and married a year later. Bess and Harry started their own magic act called "The Houdinis." For the rest of his career, Bess would act as Harry's assistant.

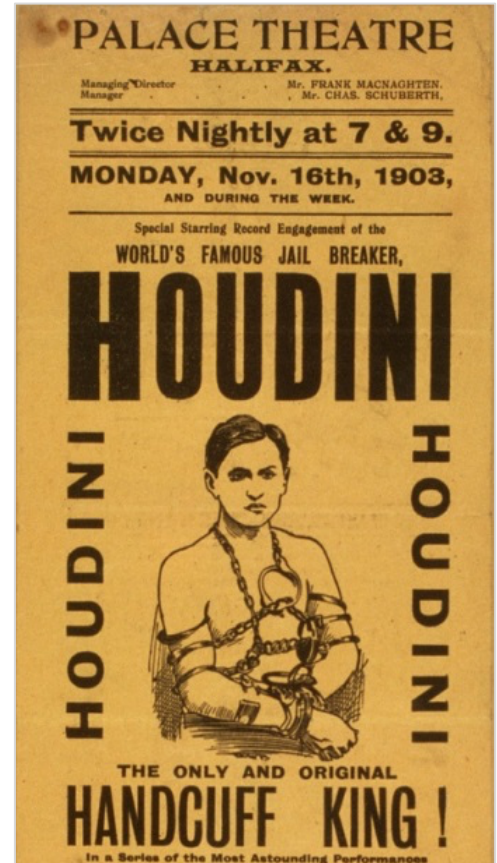
He traveled to England to perform. At first, he had little success. Then he challenged the English police at Scotland Yard to an escape. The police searched Harry thoroughly and handcuffed him inside a cell. They were sure they had him secure. However, Houdini escaped in a matter of a few minutes. They couldn't believe it! Now Harry was famous and everyone wanted to see his amazing escapes.

Harry traveled around Europe and then returned to the United States performing all sorts of dangerous escapes and amazing illusions. These escapes made him the most famous magician in the world.

Houdini performed a variety of escapes. He often invited the local police to try and handcuff him or hold him in a cell. He always escaped. He also performed an escape where he was buried alive six feet underground and another where he was put in a casket under water for over an hour.

In his later life, Houdini took on many other activities such as making movies, learning to fly an airplane, and debunking psychics (proving they were fake).

One night before a show in Montreal, Canada, two young men visited Houdini backstage. Rumor had it that Houdini was invincible to blows to the body. One of the students decided to test out this rumor and punched Houdini in the stomach. A few days later, on October 31, 1926 (Halloween), Houdini died from a ruptured appendix.



(Adapted from: ducksters.com)

0. Houdini is from...
A. Budapest.
B. New York.
C. Wisconsin.
1. He chose the name Houdini because it was...
A. the name of a person he admired.
B. very similar to his original name.
C. what he was called as a child.
2. Harry's love for magic began...
A. after working for his family.
B. at the age of seventeen.
C. when he was very young.
3. After Harry and Bess got married, ...
A. Bess became part of "The Brothers Houdini" act.
B. Harry stopped working with his brother.
C. "The Brothers Houdini" changed their name.
4. When Harry arrived in England, he...
A. had trouble with the police.
B. requested to be put in jail.
C. was immediately successful.
5. Regarding Harry's "Scotland Yard escape", ...
A. Harry became more well-known afterwards.
B. it took Harry a long time to complete the trick.
C. the police weren't happy that Harry was successful.
6. According to the article, Houdini...
A. needed to be rescued at times.
B. performed the same types of tricks.
C. put himself in dangerous situations.
7. Houdini spent his last years...
A. enjoying fame from making movies.
B. exploring other interests.
C. performing his best magic tricks.
8. Houdini died...
A. backstage after one of his performances.
B. due to a problem he suffered after an attack.
C. shortly after two students hit him in the stomach.

ANSWER BOX

QUESTIONS	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
ANSWERS	A								

Marks 1: ____/6.4

TASK 2

Read the text and complete each numbered space (9-17) with a SENTENCE (A-L) from the sentence bank. There are **TWO** extra sentences. Answer (0) is an example. Write your answers in the Answer Box (1 item = 0.8).

GABY MELIAN

When she was a little girl, (0) _____, where, she says, she fell in love with food.

Melian was born and raised in Argentina's capital of Buenos Aires, where (9) _____, who was inventive in the kitchen and often used leftovers to turn them into something different and delicious. Melian recently wrote a cookbook, "Gaby's Latin American Kitchen," about dishes she learned in childhood and ones she learned after coming to the United States.

She says she hopes that her book and (10) _____ to learn more about Latin America and find ways to explore its food and get to know its people. She also wants to encourage them to get their hands busy in the kitchen.

The book is your guide for an exploration of Latino foods. "Many of these foods — and their ingredients — are easily found in the United States", said Melian, "because of the strong influence of Hispanic Americans in our culture." There are more than 60 million Hispanics in the United States, according to the Census, so (11) _____ that specialize in arepas, empanadas, pupusas and tacos.

Melian said as you expand your skills, (12) _____ such as the plátano and make it in different ways. For example, try the Puerto Rican tostones (fried green plantains) or the Dominican maduros (fried sweet plantains). People eat plantains for breakfast, lunch and dinner in Latin America, and (13) _____ when they are firm and green or soft and black. You can fry, bake or mash them.

In Buenos Aires, (14) _____ and eat a leftover empanada. You can make her chicken empanada with leftover rotisserie chicken.

"Growing up we didn't have snacks. It wasn't like I got home from school, and I said, 'abuela tengo hambre' and my grandma would hand me a bag of chips," Melian recalls. "No, (15) _____, open the fridge and scramble something ... and that was the snack."

Some days she made dulce de leche crepes or panqueques. They are still Melian's favorite postre, and these days (16) _____, one of her favorite ingredients.

"I usually make them when someone comes over because if I make them for myself, it's dangerous!", because (17) _____, she said. "I love them."



(Adapted from: washingtonpost.com)

SENTENCE BANK	
A.	Gaby Melian spent lots of free time helping in the kitchen
B.	I don't like sharing them
C.	Melian would often come home from school
D.	she learned the food of her grandmother Porota
E.	she makes them with store-bought dulce the leche
F.	she would buy food at the supermarket
G.	she would eat too many
H.	she'd go to the kitchen
I.	the many recipes in it inspire kids
J.	they can be cooked
K.	you can find restaurants
L.	you can pick an ingredient that is used across Latino countries

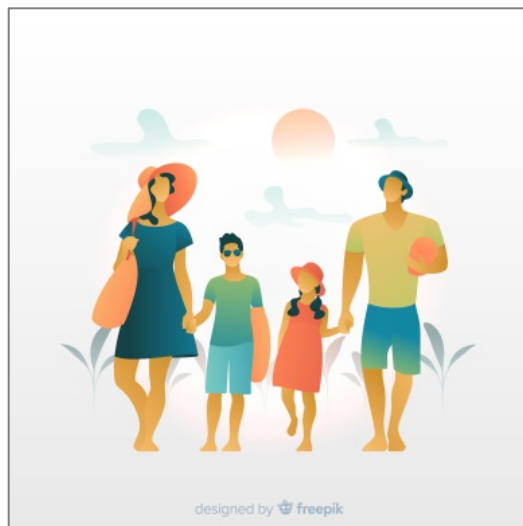
ANSWER BOX										
SPACE	0	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
SENTENCE	A									

TASK 3

Read the descriptions of each vacation destination (A-K) and decide which one would be best for each person (18-25). There are **TWO EXTRA OPTIONS** that you will not use. Write your answer in the Answer Box. Answer (0) is an example (1 item = 0.8).





VACATION DESTINATIONS FOR TEENS

- A. Los Angeles.** If you're heading to LA with teens there are plenty of great theme parks including Universal Studios, Disneyland, and Six Flags Magic Mountain. Paramount Pictures Studios is another great place to visit if you're traveling as a family!
- B. New York City.** Try *The Escape Game* escape room before becoming a spy for a day at the Spy Museum. This incredible, highly interactive museum not only details the history of spy networks all across the world, but it allows you to engage in a series of tasks that will help you and your teen determine what type of spy you should be.
- C. Glasgow.** It is famous for urban street art murals by local and international artists. Searching for these colorful street murals all around the city is very exciting; you can also join a walking tour. You can hire a bike for the day to explore many beautiful parks and gardens in this city.
- D. Houston.** You can explore unique attractions like the NASA Space Center, where teenagers can learn about space travel and look at real equipment from space missions. There is also the Houston Museum of Natural Science with its numerous exhibits from ancient Egypt and the large Burke Baker Planetarium, which hosts astronomy shows.
- E. Boston.** Teens might like a Segway tour through the city, or walking the Freedom Trail, which tells the story of the American Revolution. Boston's shopping districts keep teenage fashionistas busy for days.
- F. Lake Tahoe.** It is situated in the Sierra Nevada Mountains and in between California and Nevada. You can spend your time exploring nature by biking along Tahoe East Shore Trail, one of the best bike paths in the country. The best tip when visiting Lake Tahoe is to make sure you're packing layers. The weather can get unpredictable.
- G. Maui.** Convince your teen to wake up early for the adventure of a lifetime: a road trip along the Road to Hana. Along the drive, you will pass by so many roadside waterfalls, tasty food trucks and stands, black sand beaches, and even get to hike through a bamboo forest (to a massive waterfall!).
- H. Utah National Parks.** Each of the parks has a unique landscape and a variety of activities. Bryce Canyon National Park is known for its unique and colorful rock formations, called hoodoos, formed by millions of years of erosion. Take a hike down below the lip of the canyon.
- I. Melbourne, Australia** is known for its street art which can be seen throughout the city. Melbourne's laneways are the perfect backdrop for photographs. Queen Victoria Market is a popular spot for both fresh and prepared foods. A 2-hour market foodie tour makes for a fun lunch.
- J. Essaouira, Morocco.** Active teens will enjoy taking surf lessons or even kite surfing lessons. Indeed Essaouira, coined as 'Morocco's Windy City' is one of the best places in Africa for kite surfing due to the strong winds blowing off the Atlantic. There is also quad biking along the beach.
- K. Tokyo.** The Harajuku district of Tokyo is known as "Teen's Holy Land" in Japan. With cutting-edge fashion at reasonable prices that teenagers can afford, this district is a must-visit for trendsetting teenagers. For the teenagers addicted to their video games and smartphone apps, the tech district of Akihabara in Tokyo is a stimulation of the senses. The district is like stepping into a real-life video game.



(Adapted from: juliearoundtheglobe.com)

0.	<div>Olivia</div> 	is a huge fan of the cinema and also loves exciting amusement rides.
18	<div>Henry</div> 	doesn't mind cold or warm weather. He loves cycling in the countryside.
19.	<div>John</div> 	is interested in history and enjoys buying clothes.
20.	<div>Luke</div> 	is not a morning person, but likes walking at sunset to take unusual nature photos.
21.	<div>Paul</div> 	loves trying new experiences particularly adventure sports near the water.

22.	<div>Anne</div> 	has difficulty walking, but enjoys looking at different kinds of landscapes.
23.	<div>Carla</div> 	loves looking at the sky at night to see all the stars and planets. She would like to learn more about them.
24.	<div>Eamon</div> 	prefers indoor activities where she can play and pretend to be someone else.
25.	<div>Tania</div> 	enjoys walking around cities looking at graffiti paintings and trying different things to eat.

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ANSWER BOX

TEENAGER	0	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
DESTINATION	A								

Marks 3: ____/6.4

TASK 1	TASK 2	TASK 3	TOTAL MARK
			_____/20