

Examen 2022-23

Plan: [G25] ACCESO A GRADO PARA MAYORES DE 25

Asignatura: [538] Inglés

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Pegatina del Estudiante

Espacio para la pegatina de su hoja de etiquetas
correspondiente a la asignatura indicada en la
cabecera del examen:

Calificación

Indicaciones de carácter general:

- Comprueba que el plan y la asignatura corresponden a la asignatura de la cual estás matriculado.
- No se puede abandonar el aula de examen antes de que hayan transcurrido los 15 minutos posteriores a la hora de comienzo de la prueba.
- No debes utilizar lápiz para responder.
- No se puede responder en hojas adicionales a las que se incluyen en este examen.

Indicaciones específicas para la asignatura:

- Se dispone de 60 min. para la realización del examen.
- No se puede disponer de más de una hoja de borrador. La información escrita en la hoja de borrador no se corregirá.
- Las respuestas deben ceñirse al espacio indicado.
- No se puede utilizar ningún material (manuales, diccionarios, etc.) para la realización del examen.

Read the text and then answer the questions below.

The car is the cornerstone of modern American life; yet cars need roads, and so the road too is a cornerstone. But while cars have regularly been raised to the status of cult objects in songs, poetry and film, roads have tended to keep a more prosaic image. Occasionally there have been exceptions: Bob Dylan named one of his most famous albums for a road —Highway 61 Revisited— and Jack Kerouac gave pride of place to a highway in his classic novel, *On the Road*. Yet in the culture and history of twentieth century America, one highway stands out from the rest; and although it no longer exists, except in small sections here and there, "Route 66" is without the shadow of a doubt the most famous highway in the United States of America.

Steinbeck, who knew it well, called it "the Mother Road". It was the road taken by the Joad family in *The Grapes of Wrath*; for them, as for hundreds of thousands of real-life dustbowl refugees, Route 66 was the road that led from the hell of dusty Oklahoma to the paradise of California, where the peach trees and vines were always laden with succulent, luxurious fruit, just waiting to be picked. At least, that was the popular myth. In addition, those who like listening to American music may have heard the song *Route 66*, originally recorded by Nat King Cole, and since then re-recorded dozens of times by other well-known artists of different genres.

Today, little is left of the most famous of all America's highways. Here and there, in Illinois or in Kentucky, sections of the famous road still display the sign 66; but 66, where it does survive, is no longer a key element in a continental highway system as it once was. The development of America's transcontinental system of interstate highways during the 1950's and 1960's meant that the "Mother Road" rapidly became obsolete, and in 1977, fifty-one years after it was created, U.S. 66 officially ceased to exist. However, in recent years, the story of Route 66 is coming to be recognized as history, and a few adventurous travellers are driving along sections of it, reliving the spirit of the past. In 2011, Scottish TV presenter Billy Connolly spent weeks travelling the route from end to end, for a four-part TV documentary; yet few, very few, travel the whole road, or what is left of it. Even in the latest air-conditioned Cadillac, Route 66 remains what Woody Guthrie called "a mighty hard road."

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE TEXT:

1.- Say whether the following statements are TRUE or FALSE. Find the evidence in the text: copy the line/lines from the text where the statement is said. No marks are given for only answering true or false (2 points):

- a. Roads have been repeatedly sung in American culture.
- b. By the end of the twentieth century, there were some attempts to revive Route 66.

2.- In your own words and based on the ideas from the text, answer the following questions. No marks are given for responses copied directly from the text. DO NOT COPY FROM THE TEXT. (2 points).

- a.- Why is Route 66 so famous in America?
- b.- According to the text why did Route 66 lose its importance?

3.- In the text, find ONE synonym for EACH of these words or expressions (2 points):

- a) ordinary:
- b) delicious:
- c) burdened:
- d) styles:

4.- Choose the correct answer. (3 points):

4.1. When they _____ the party, I _____ home two hours ago.

- a) left - had already arrived
- b) leaved – was already arriving
- c) were leaving – already arrived home

4.2. The doctor _____ her leave her bed and she went out for a short walk.

- a) leaves
- b) leaved
- c) let

4.3. The bridge _____ the river was rebuilt in 1986.

- a) on
- b) over
- c) below

4.4. I don't care _____ fault it is, you two will stay home this weekend.

- a) whose
- b) which
- c) what

4.5. If I _____ in her shoes I _____ that, no doubt.

- a) were – would do
- b) was – would did
- c) am – could do

4.6. _____ makes mistakes _____.

- a) Anyone – anytime.
- b) Somebody – sometimes
- c) Anybody – sometimes

5.- Write a brief essay (100 words) about one of these topics (1 point):

a) The importance of roads and transportation systems in the spread of culture vs. the role of social networks.

b) Describe a travelling experience you had (by train, plane, car....) Where did you go? What did you do?

Answer to question 5 on this page.

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SELECCIONADAS (SU CONTENIDO NO ES EVALUABLE)***