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**MOSTRA**  
**PROVA DE CERTIFICACIÓ**  
**NIVELL BÀSIC A2**  
**ANGLÈS**

**Prova escrita**

<b>CTE</b>	COMPENSIÓ DE TEXTOS ESCRITS	60 minuts aprox.
<b>CTO</b>	COMPENSIÓ DE TEXTOS ORALS	30 minuts aprox.
<b>PCTE</b>	PRODUCCIÓ I COPRODUCCIÓ DE TEXTOS ESCRITS	45 minuts aprox.
<b>MLE</b>	MEDIACIÓ LINGÜÍSTICA ESCRITA	30 minuts aprox.

**Prova oral**

<b>PCTO</b>	PRODUCCIÓ I COPRODUCCIÓ DE TEXTOS ORALS	9 minuts aprox.
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**CTE COMPRENSIÓ DE TEXTOS ESCRITS** 60 minuts aprox.

**PART 1. MULTIPLE CHOICE.** Read the following text about resolutions. For questions 1-5, choose the most appropriate option (A, B or C). The activity begins with an example (0). Write your answers on the ANSWER SHEET. The task is worth a total of 5 marks.

**The Most Popular Resolutions around the World**

Every year, on January 1st, many people make New Year's resolutions. A resolution is a promise to yourself to make your life better. Around the world, people have similar goals for the new year. Let's look at some of the most popular ones.

**Get Healthy**

Many people want to take care of their bodies. They promise to eat more fruit and vegetables and eat less junk food. Also, they try to have healthy options when they eat out. Some people also want to do more exercise, for example running, going to the gym, or doing yoga.

**Save Money**

Money is important for everyone. A common resolution is to spend less money on things we don't need, like expensive clothes or gadgets. People also try to save money for the future or for big plans, like travelling.

**Learn Something New**

Learning is a great way to grow. Many people decide to learn a new skill or hobby. Some examples are cooking new recipes, learning a new language, or playing a musical instrument. Another common hobby is learning about trees and flowers during country walks.

**Spend More Time with Family and Friends**

Life can be busy, and sometimes people don't have enough time for their loved ones. We work, we have children, and we also waste too much time on social media. We don't have enough time left for the people we love. A common resolution is to make time to visit family and friends or even just call them more often.

**Travel**

Travelling is exciting! Many people promise to visit new places, explore different cultures, and meet new people. People love taking a big trip to another country or a small day trip to a place not far from town. People usually prefer short trips several times a year because long ones are usually more expensive.

New Year's resolutions are a great way to make your life better. They are not always easy to keep, but every small step can help you reach your goal. What's your New Year's resolution?

**0. What is a resolution?**

- A. Something everybody does on January 1st.
- B. Something you want to do to have a better life.**
- C. Something done around the world for New Year.

**1. How do people try to improve their health?**

- A. Having more vegetables and fruit.
- B. Eating out less often.
- C. Eating less and exercising.

**2. What is mentioned about money?**

- A. Money is something everybody cares about.
- B. People try to spend more money on things they need.
- C. People try to save money to buy expensive things.

**3. What kind of activities do people like learning?**

- A. Growing your own plants as a hobby.
- B. Cooking old local recipes.
- C. Learning music and languages.

**4. Spending time with family and friends is difficult. Why?**

- A. We all have very busy lives.
- B. We spend too much time working.
- C. We often prefer calling them.

**5. What is mentioned about travelling?**

- A. People travel because they want to meet new people.
- B. People enjoy travelling abroad and also near where they live.
- C. People prefer travelling abroad, making a long trip.

**PART 2. GAP FILLING. VERB TENSES.** Read the text about Barack Obama and fill in the gaps 1-5 with the correct tense of the verbs in brackets. The activity begins with an example (0). Write your answers on the ANSWER SHEET. The task is worth a total of 5 marks.

**Barack Obama**

Barack Obama **(0. BE) is** from the United States. He was born in Hawaii in 1961. When he was young, he lived in Hawaii and Indonesia. He studied hard at school and he **(1. GO)** to college and became a lawyer. Later, he worked to help people in his community.

In 2008, he became the President of the United States. He worked as president for eight years. Sometimes, he **(2. NOT AGREE)** with other leaders, but he tried to listen and work together.

Nowadays, he lives in Washington, D.C., with his family. He **(3. WRITE)** many books since 2006, *Dreams of My Father* and *The Audacity of Hope* were best sellers.

He **(4. MEET)** many wonderful people in his life. In the future, he thinks he **(5. CONTINUE)** to help people and share his ideas with the world.

Source: adapted from *kids.nationalgeographic.com*

**PART 3. MULTIPLE CHOICE LEXICAL CLOZE.** Read the following text and decide which answer (A, B, or C) best fits each space. The activity begins with an example (0). Write your answers on the ANSWER SHEET. The task is worth a total of 5 marks.

### Bluesky

The social media site Bluesky is growing --(0)-- quickly. It is getting one million new users every day. It became popular after the U.S. Presidential Election. --(1)-- people are using Bluesky instead of X, Facebook and Threads. Bluesky is the most --(2)-- free app in Apple's app store. A digital media journalist said: "Bluesky works and looks and feels just like Twitter."

Bluesky --(3)-- in 2019 as a research project at Twitter. It is similar to Twitter. Even the logos are similar. Twitter's was a blue bird; Bluesky has a blue butterfly. The name Bluesky --(4)-- from the idea that a bird flies freely in an open blue sky. This open blue sky is like free speech. Bluesky users can focus on posts they are --(5)-- in.

Source: adapted from *breakingnewsenglish.com*

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|------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| 0. A. slowly     | <b>B. quickly</b> | C. easily     |
| 1. A. Much       | B. Less           | C. Many       |
| 2. A. downloaded | B. bought         | C. sold       |
| 3. A. became     | B. started        | C. completed  |
| 4. A. comes      | B. goes           | C. chooses    |
| 5. A. excited    | B. tired          | C. interested |

**PART 4. MULTIPLE MATCHING.** You are going to read five texts about different workplaces around the world. Read sentences 1–5 and match the texts A-E with the corresponding questions. The activity begins with an example (0). Write your answers on the ANSWER SHEET. The task is worth a total of 5 marks.

### Workplaces

#### A. France

In France, if you work for a company with fifty or more employees, there is a rule that says you cannot send work emails in the evening or at weekends. This rule was made because studies have shown that in the current digital age it is hard for workers to get away from the workplace. The rule was passed to give workers more personal time and less stress.

## B. Japan

Many workers in Japan do ten to fifteen minutes of exercise together each morning before starting to work. They are very worried about workers sitting down for many hours, and they care about their back pains, so they do flexibility exercises. It is designed for anyone of any age. Companies believe that the exercise will help workers have less stress and feel more connected to each other.

## C. Sweden

The Swedes believe that coffee breaks, which they call *fika*, are very important. They think that workers feel better and work harder when they take regular breaks. In some Swedish businesses, co-workers get together twice a day, at 9 and 3, to talk, have drinks, and eat something sweet. Also, punctuality at work is very important.

## D. Egypt

At many Egyptian offices, there are waiters and waitresses who bring coffee, tea, water and snacks to employees. The company often pays for these items. You can also ask them to do other things for you, like pick up your lunch or medicine from a chemist.

## E. Germany

German workers are known for being efficient, professional, and hard-working. Punctuality is very important. They collaborate and have open communication. The German work culture clearly makes a difference between work and personal life. They have generous vacation time but strict working rules. Many companies also offer working hours and remote work options.

Source: adapted from *kids.nationalgeographic.com*

According to the texts, which ...

<b>0. country thinks breaks are positive for workers?</b>	<b><u>C</u></b>
<b>1. countries are worried about stress?</b>	___ / ___
<b>2. country believes starting the day with physical activity is good for workers?</b>	___
<b>3. countries think being on time is important?</b>	___ / ___
<b>4. country has flexibility at work?</b>	___
<b>5. countries allow workers to eat and drink during working hours?</b>	___ / ___

**CTE ANSWER SHEET**  
**STUDENTS SHOULD NOT WRITE IN THE SHADED AREAS**

**PART 1. MULTIPLE CHOICE.** The Most Popular Resolutions around the World.

0.	<u>B</u>		2.			4.		
1.			3.			5.		

**PART 2. GAP FILLING. VERB TENSES.** Barack Obama.

0.	<u>is</u>		2.			4.		
1.			3.			5.		

**PART 3. MULTIPLE CHOICE LEXICAL CLOZE.** Bluesky.

0.	<u>B</u>		2.			4.		
1.			3.			5.		

**PART 4. MULTIPLE MATCHING.** Workplaces.

0.	<u>C</u>			2.				4.			
1.				3.				5.			

**CTO COMPRESIÓ DE TEXTOS ORALS** 30 minuts aprox.

**PART 1. MULTIPLE CHOICE.** You will hear Matilda talking about travelling. Choose the option (A, B or C) which best answers the questions according to what you hear. You will hear the recording twice. You have ONE AND A HALF minutes to read the questions. The activity begins with an example (0). The task is worth a total of 6 marks.

**Travelling****0. What does Matilda like?**

- A. She loves travelling.**
- B. She doesn't like change.
- C. She hates moving around.

**1. When Matilda was a child, she ...**

- A. disliked airports but liked flying.
- B. didn't like carrying suitcases.
- C. liked being inside planes.

**2. Matilda says she has visited many places, which ones?**

- A. Illinois, it's her favourite.
- B. Different states in the US.
- C. Europe and Asia.

**3. Nowadays, Matilda ...**

- A. thinks travelling is a special adventure.
- B. always travels on her own.
- C. doesn't like travelling at all.

**4. What did Matilda's mother think about travelling?**

- A. It was a good experience.
- B. It was safe and exciting.
- C. It was dangerous and scary.

**5. When has Matilda travelled on her own?**

- A. She has never travelled alone.
- B. Just once and she didn't like it.
- C. Twice, to Philadelphia and Strasbourg.

**6. On those trips, she ...**

- A. gave details of where she was going.
- B. was using her phone on certain occasions.
- C. didn't take her phone with her every day.

**PART 2. SENTENCE SELECTION.** You will hear Jackie and Richard talking about some photos of a family wedding. Decide which sentences are TRUE (✓) and which are FALSE (X) according to what you hear. You will hear the recording twice. You have ONE minute to read the sentences. The activity begins with an example (0). The task is worth a total of 6 marks.

### The Wedding

	TRUE ✓	FALSE X
0. <i>The wedding is in Richard's family.</i>	✓	
1. Richard has a sister and she has only one child.		
2. The wedding was celebrated outside the city.		
3. They had some food before the wedding.		
4. Richard says the meal was very tasty.		
5. The wedding was celebrated in 2020.		
6. The guests danced after the wedding.		

Source: adapted from [podcasts.inenglish.com](http://podcasts.inenglish.com)

**PART 3. SENTENCE COMPLETION.** You will hear someone talking about the benefits of doing nothing at all. Complete each sentence with a word you hear in the recording. You will hear the recording twice. You have ONE AND A HALF minutes to read the sentences. The activity begins with an example (0). The task is worth a total of 6 marks.

### Doing Nothing at All

0. Alice has been busy today with meetings, **(0) shopping** and picking up the children.
1. Alice asks about **(1)** \_\_\_\_\_ documentaries related to bees.
2. Surprisingly, some animals **(2)** \_\_\_\_\_ most of their time doing absolutely nothing.
3. Lions can sleep as much as **(3)** \_\_\_\_\_ hours a day.
4. Professor Dan Charbonneau is a(n) **(4)** \_\_\_\_\_ in insect behaviour.
5. He discovered in an ant colony that **(5)** \_\_\_\_\_ the colony was doing nothing.
6. Alice says we become **(6)** \_\_\_\_\_ when we are bored.

Source: adapted from *bbclearningenglish.com*

**PCTE PRODUCCIÓ I COPRODUCCIÓ DE TEXTOS ESCRITS** 45 minuts aprox.

Choose **ONE** of the options, A or B, and write a composition. Please follow the instructions for the task carefully and include all the information required. Write your composition in the space given. The task is worth a total of 10 marks.

**OPTION A**

Your best friend wants to go to the famous Japanese restaurant you told her about. She has sent you the following email.

Hi Alba,  
How are you? My parents are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary next month, and I want to surprise them with something special. I remember you told me about a very good Japanese restaurant in the city centre, and I want to know more about it. I have some questions, could you help me?

- What is the name of the restaurant?
- Where is it and how can I get there?
- What dishes do you recommend?
- Are desserts good?
- How much did it cost (approximately)?
- How was the service?

Thank you so much for your help, you're the best!  
XOXO  
Emma

Write an **email** to your best friend and answer all her questions. Use **100 words** approximately.

**OPTION B**

Your teacher has asked you to write a book review blogpost about your favourite book including the following information:

- Book title.
- Type of book.
- When it was published.
- Short explanation of the book's story (don't explain the ending!).
- Your opinion of the book. Why do you recommend it?

Write your **post**. Use **100 words** approximately.

## MLE MEDIACIÓ LINGÜÍSTICA ESCRITA 30 minuts aprox.

## TASK

## CONTEXT:

Your daughter Carla will be 6 years old next month. She wants to celebrate her birthday with her school friends in a fun place.

## TASK:

Write a Whatsapp message to the parents of the children invited to the birthday party. Use the information in the image below to explain the details. Use **80 words** approximately. Write your **message** in the space given. The task is worth a total of 10 marks.



## PRODUCCIÓ I COPRODUCCIÓ DE TEXTOS ORALS

## TOPIC: EVERYDAY LIFE

Part 1. Answer the questions below. The task is worth a total of 10 marks.

Part 2. Your examiner will ask you some extra questions while you are speaking or at the end of the examination. The task is worth a total of 10 marks.



1. What is your work timetable? Do you like it? How do you go to work?
2. What is your everyday routine? What do you do on a normal day?
3. What did you do when you were a child? What were your favourite games?  
Did you have a computer or a mobile phone?
4. What do you like most about your job/studies?
5. When was the last time you had a family celebration? Where was it? What did you do?
6. Are you planning to change jobs or study something new next year?

FULL DE RESPOSTES

CTE COMPRESIÓ DE TEXTOS ESCRITS

PART 1. MULTIPLE CHOICE

The Most Popular Resolutions around the World

0.	<u>B</u>		2.	A		4.	A	
1.	A		3.	C		5.	B	

PART 2. GAP FILLING. VERB TENSES

Barack Obama

0.	<u>is</u>		2.	didn't agree		4.	has met	
1.	went		3.	has written		5.	will continue / is going to continue	

PART 3. MULTIPLE CHOICE LEXICAL CLOZE

Bluesky

0.	<u>B</u>		2.	A		4.	A	
1.	C		3.	B		5.	C	

PART 4. MULTIPLE MATCHING

Workplaces

0.	<u>C</u>			2.	B			4.	E		
1.	A	B		3.	C	E		5.	C	D	

## CTO COMPRESIÓ DE TEXTOS ORALS

## PART 1. MULTIPLE CHOICE. Travelling

0.	A
1.	C
2.	B
3.	A
4.	C
5.	C
6.	A

## PART 2. SENTENCE SELECTION. The Wedding

	✓	X
0.	✓	
1.		X
2.	✓	
3.		X
4.	✓	
5.		X
6.	✓	

## PART 3. SENTENCE COMPLETION. Doing Nothing at All

0.	<u>shopping</u>	4.	expert
1.	nature	5.	half
2.	spend	6.	creative
3.	20 / twenty		