



PRUEBAS DE ACCESO A LA UNIVERSIDAD
PAU 2025_INGLÉS

CRITERIOS DE CORRECCIÓN Y EVALUACIÓN_GENERAL

SECTION I: READING COMPREHENSION

(3 marks)

1. Read the text and answer the FOUR questions included in Part 1 and Part 2 below. Copy your answers onto your answer sheet. [Score: 4 items x 4 marks = 16 marks]

Part 1. Decide whether statements 1.1 and 1.2 are true or false. Then, find a text fragment which confirms your answer in either case. On your answer sheet, write "TRUE" or "FALSE" (not T or F) plus the fragment (one or two lines maximum).

- 4 marks for a complete and correct answer (i.e., an answer which includes either "True" or "False" and the fragment from the text that evidences comprehension).
- 0 marks for an incomplete answer: answer includes either "True" or "False" but misses fragment from text evidencing comprehension or includes fragment from text but does not include "True" or "False".
- 0 marks for an incorrect answer: answer marked as "True" when the correct answer is "False", or vice versa, even if it includes correct fragment from text evidencing comprehension; answer correctly marked as "True" or "False" but includes incorrect fragment from text or fragment does not clearly evidence comprehension; or answer correctly marked as "True" or "False" but includes reference to the part of the text evidencing comprehension instead of the actual literal words from the text (e.g., "True", line 15; "True", 2nd paragraph, or the like).
- 0 marks for a blank answer.

Part 2. For items 1.3 and 1.4, choose the best option (A, B, or C). Copy the corresponding letter for each item onto your answer sheet.

- 4 marks for a correct answer
- 0 marks for an incorrect, blank, or illegible answer

2. Complete the TWO sentences below with information from the text but USING YOUR OWN WORDS (about 10-15 words of your own per sentence). DO NOT COPY LITERALLY from the text nor from the items in Task 1 (1.1-1.4). Write the two sentences on your answer sheet. [Score: 2 items x 5 marks = 10 marks]

- Linguistic accuracy: 2 marks per item
 - 2 marks = answer free of relevant grammatical, lexical, or mechanical (incl. spell.) errors
 - 1.5 marks = answer has one relevant grammatical, lexical, or mechanical (incl. spell.) error
 - 1 marks = answer has two relevant grammatical, lexical, or mechanical (incl. spell.) errors
 - 0.5 marks = answer has three relevant grammatical, lexical, or mechanical (incl. spell.) errors
 - 0 marks = answer has more than three relevant grammatical, lexical, or mechanical (incl. spell.) errors

NOTE that, in this task, up to 2 marks can be taken off per item (2.1 and 2.2) for **spelling errors**. The first spelling error will not be penalized.

- Comprehension: 3 marks per item
 - 3 marks = full comprehension
 - 1.5 marks = incomplete or partly inaccurate comprehension
 - 0 marks = total lack of comprehension

3. Find in the text **FOUR** words or expressions that match definitions 3.1 to 3.4 below. Copy the words or expressions exactly as they appear in the text onto your answer sheet. [Score: 4 items x 1 mark = 4 marks]

- 1 marks for a correct answer
- 0 marks for an incorrect, blank, or illegible answer

4. Complete the text by choosing the best option (A, B, or C) for each gap (1-15). On your answer sheet, draw a table like the one below and, for each gap (1-15), copy the letter that corresponds to your answer (A, B, or C). Use **CAPITAL LETTERS**. [Score: 15 items x 1 mark = 15 marks]

- marks per correct answer. Thus, 15 items x 1 marks = 15 marks.
- 0 marks for an incorrect answer, a blank answer, or an illegible answer.

5. Complete **THREE** of the following sentences so that each sentence keeps the meaning of the sentence printed before it and includes **a clear change of linguistic structure**. **COPY THE COMPLETE SENTENCES** (including the beginnings already given to you) onto your answer sheet. [Score: 3 items x 5 marks = 15 marks]

- 5 marks for a completely correct answer (i.e., the candidate changes the structure in the sentence given and demonstrates accurate knowledge of and ability to use the L2 form(s) assessed in the item).
- 2.5 marks for a partially correct answer (i.e., the candidate has attempted to use the L2 form(s) assessed in the item, but with some inaccuracy/ies).
- 0 marks for an incorrect answer (i.e., it is clear that the candidate does not know the L2 forms assessed in the item or does not know how to use them correctly; or uses the same structure of the sentence given with a different arrangement of words).

NOTE that, in this exercise, up to 1 of 5 marks can be taken off per item for **spelling errors**. Every spelling error will be penalized with 0.5 marks off. A maximum of two spelling errors can be penalized per item (therefore, a maximum of six spelling errors can be penalized in the whole exercise). The first spelling error will not be penalized.

SECTION III: WRITING

(4 marks)

6. Choose **ONE** of the two options below (a or b) and write the corresponding text (150-175 words). Write your answer on your answer sheet. [Score: 1 item x 40 marks = 40 marks]

➤ Criteria:

- Content selection and organization: 15 marks for answers containing between 175 and 150 words; 12 marks for answers containing between 150 and 120 words; 8 marks for answers shorter than 120 words)
- Use of English (i.e., grammar & vocab): 20 marks for answers containing between 175 and 150 words; 15 marks for answers containing between 150 and 120 words; 10 marks for answers shorter than 120 words)
- "Mechanics" (i.e., spelling, punctuation, and capitalization): 5 marks for answers containing between 175 and 150 words; 3 marks for answers containing between 150 and 120 words; 2 marks for answers shorter than 120 words)

➤ Summary of maximum marks granted for the three criteria (a, b, and c) for each type of answer:

- Between 175 and 150 words: 40 marks (15 for CS&O + 20 for UoE + 5 for Mechs)
- Between 150 and 120 words: 30 marks (12 for CS&O + 15 for UoE + 3 for Mechs)
- Fewer than 120 words: 20 marks (8 for CS&O + 10 for UoE + 2 for Mechs)

➤ Summary of maximum scores for each block of the scoring rubric for each of the three scoring possibilities indicated above (175-150 / 150-120 / fewer than 120 words):

- **175 - 150 words / 4 marks:** [As in the scoring rubric]
 - Content selection...: 1.5 marks (i.e., 0.45 + 0.6 + 0.45) +
 - Use of English: 2 marks (i.e., 1+1) +
 - Mechanics: 0.5 marks (i.e., 0.3+0.1+0.1)
- **150 - 120 words / 3 marks:**
 - Content selection...: 1.2 marks (i.e., 0.36 + 0.48 + 0.36) +
 - Use of English: 1.5 marks (i.e., 0.75 + 0.75) +
 - Mechanics: 0.3 marks (i.e., 0.18 + 0.06 + 0.06)

▪ **Fewer than 120 words / 2 marks:**

- Content selection...: 0.8 marks (i.e., 0.24 + 0.32 + 0.24) +
- Use of English: 1 mark (i.e., 0.5 + 0.5) +
- Mechanics: 0.2 marks (i.e., 0.12 + 0.04 + 0.04)

IMPORTANT NOTE 1: Exams will be assessed following the criteria in the updated versions of the scoring rubrics.

IMPORTANT NOTE 2: Answers longer than 175 words will be corrected and marked normally up to the first end-of-sentence after the 175 words. The exceeding part of the answer will not be considered by the rater for UoE or Mechs (i.e., no penalization regarding these two criteria).

IMPORTANT NOTE 3: If the candidate makes the same (grammatical, lexical, or mechanical) error two or more times, it will only be penalized one time.

IMPORTANT NOTE 4: Maximum penalization for spelling errors across the exam: 10%.

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