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PROVA DE NIVELL BÀSIC Comprensió oral i Comprensió escrita i ús de la llengua

SOLUCIONS

Aquest quadernet conté les solucions de les proves de:

Comprensió oral _____ 30 minuts

Comprensió escrita i ús de la llengua _____ 60 minuts

Durada aproximada de la prova _____ 90 minuts

TASK 1- Is this the safest place in the world?

Listen to this piece of news. Read the following statements and decide if they are True (T) or False (F) according to what is said.

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1. The scientists in the video are going to the Svalbard islands to pick some seeds. **F**
2. The only access to the building is through a tunnel in the mountain. **T**
3. This building has been designed as a laboratory. **T**
4. According to Simon Jeppson, some seeds may last for 40,000 years inside the building. **F**
5. Some of the seeds stored in the building come from Asia. **T**
6. According to Professor Roland von Bothmer, this project is essential for the survival of mankind in the future. **T**

TASK 2- Oprah Winfrey at the 2018 Golden Globes

Listen to Oprah Winfrey's speech when she accepted the Cecil B. de Mille Award- the Golden Globes highest honour- in 2018. Read the following statements and decide if they are True (T) or False (F) according to what is said.

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7. Actresses usually get more recognition when they interpret personal stories. **F**
8. According to Oprah, not only women in the entertainment industry have endured years of abuse and assault. **T**
9. Recy Taylor was assaulted and blindfolded by six white men when she was walking home. **T**
10. The men who attacked Recy Taylor carried weapons. **T**
11. The men who attacked Recy Taylor were sentenced to life imprisonment. **F**
12. According to Oprah, speaking the truth is an act of bravery that has been encouraged by the "Me too" movement. **T**
13. Oprah states that most people turn pessimistic when they suffer a misfortune. **F**
14. Oprah feels a bit pessimistic about the future. **F**

TASK 3- Chocolate chip cookies

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Watch the video and answer the questions:

15. Is there any salt among the ingredients for this recipe?
- a. **Yes, there is** b. Not at all c. They don't mention
16. After the eggs and the vanilla, everything has to be well blended. For how long?
- a. 10 minutes approximately b. More than 15 minutes **c. About 5 minutes**
17. How much does each piece weigh?
- a. **41 grams** b. They have different weights. c. 40 grams
18. What kind of customers does the factory work for?
- a. Bakeries **b. Restaurants and hotels** c. Shops
19. How do they create the frigid temperature?
- a. With a huge fan.
- b. With liquid nitrogen .**
- c. Frigid temperature isn't necessary.
20. Some of the ingredients used to make the cookies are...
- a. flour, sugar, eggs and butter.**
- b. flour, sugar, eggs and milk.
- c. vanilla, oil, eggs and cream.

Text 1

Read this e-magazine article and do the activities that follow.

Three coffees a day? You're just being healthy, researchers say.

Words cannot express-o how much this news means to us...

There's been some great health news recently: chocolate and wine are the secrets to looking youthful, and owning a dog is the key to a long life. Well now, you can be extra smug that your morning (and lunchtime. and afternoon) coffee habit is actually doing you good, according to research based on over 200 previous studies.

Researchers from the University of Southampton __21__ that the risk of heart disease is reduced by 15% and the chance of early death by 17%. And the optimum __22__ is three or four __23__ a day. Easy peasy - that's four excuses to leave the office in the interest of your health. Or to take turns for the coffee run?

Evidence also suggests it cuts the risk of certain cancers, diabetes, liver disease, and dementia.

Robin Poole, who led the research team, notes "Coffee drinking appears safe within usual patterns of consumption". It's best avoided if you're pregnant, and goes without saying that an Americano is probably a safer bet than a large strawberry-frappe-choco-mocha-chino.



Adapted from: <http://www.glamourmagazine.co.uk/article/coffee-live-longer-healthier> (by Anna Johnstone)

ACTIVITY 1: Fill in the gaps with the following words: (there are three extra words).

cups — times — found — amount — drink — suffered

21. **found**

22. **amount**

23. **cups**

ACTIVITY 2: Choose the correct options on your answer sheet.

a	b	c
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24. Find the word in the text for the following definition: "Drink obtained by grape fermentation":

a. wine

b. beer

c. cider

25. Three or four cups of coffee a day is...

a. too much

b. a risky habit

c. researcher's advice

26. Drinking coffee _____ the risk of certain cancers, diabetes, liver disease, and dementia.

a. increases

b. reduces

c. raises

27. About the studies:

a. That's the first study about coffee consumption.

b. There have been other studies before.

c. Two hundred people have worked on this research.

28. In the sentence «Robin Poole, who led the research team», *led* comes from:

a. lead

b. let

c. lay

29. The opposite of *within* is...

a. beyond

b. without

c. beside

30. Choose a synonym for "avoided" in the sentence "It's best avoided if you're pregnant":

a. permitted

b. allowed

c. forbidden

31. The correct pronunciation for «liver» is the same as...

a. live

b. life

c. driver

32. The superlative of «safe» is...

a. safer

b. the safest

c. the more safe

Text 2: Read this text about Eric Clapton and do the activities that follow.

Eric Clapton lets the music do the talking at Final Forum Show

Eric Clapton has always been a fairly low-key performer, and even though Monday was the closing night of a four-concert stand at the “Fabulous” Forum in Inglewood, he let his fingers do most of the talking. Saying almost nothing to the audience except for the occasional “thank you,” Clapton showed yet again that for him, performances are all about the music. [...]



Still, the contrast between Clapton’s low-key entrance and the crowd’s rapturous applause was almost comical. Clad in jeans and a blue short-sleeve button-down shirt, Clapton resembled someone’s surprisingly talented dad more than a rock legend. He acknowledged the crowd with a polite “Hi,” and broke into J.J. Cale’s “Somebody’s Knockin’.”

The setlist was divided into a group of acoustic songs bookended by electric guitar tracks, with both “My Father’s Eyes” and “Change the World” noticeably absent. However, Clapton gave the people what they wanted, serving up Cream’s “White Room” (with bassist Nathan East taking on the late Jack Bruce’s vocal parts), a singalong-able “Lay Down Sally,” and his hit version of Bob Marley’s “I Shot the Sheriff,” which featured an especially yowly solo and showed off the abilities of backing singers Sharon White and Sharlotte Gibson, who dominated the choruses. [...]

The heartbreaking “Tears in Heaven” — written for Clapton’s four-year-old son Conor, who died in 1991 — took on a decidedly lighter feel than the recorded version with a gentle reggae vibe. After lulling the audience with “Wonderful Tonight,” the guitarist jolted them back to life with an abrupt transition into the Cream favorite “Crossroads,” featuring Stainton pounding the Yamaha. [...]

Throughout the entire show, there was barely any visible communication between Clapton and his band apart from the occasional nod of his guitar-neck to indicate the end of a song. In fact, his eyes were closed for much of the evening as the songs poured out of him, the seven paneled screens across the back of the stage giving the audience a close-up of the view most of them wanted to see: his fingers artfully caressing and cajoling the strings.

Two years ago, around the time of his 70th birthday, Clapton promised: “I know I’ve been threatening retirement for the last fifty years, [but] I swear this is it, no more.” But two years later, his “50th anniversary” tour is still going on, and he’s clearly still got plenty of music in him.

Source: <http://www.variety.com> , September 19, 2017

ACTIVITY 2. Choose the correct options on your sheet answer

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33. How many shows did the musician offer at the “Fabulous” Forum in Inglewood?

- a. One b. None c. **Four**

34. What happened after Clapton’s entrance?

- a. The audience were lost for words.
b. People clapped hands.
c. The artist started laughing.

35. Clapton started the show...

- a. playing a song of his own composition.
b. with a song he had never played before.
c. playing a cover of someone else’s song.

36. What is the main aim of this text?

- a. Promoting live music.
b. Providing information about a musical event.
c. Promoting Eric Clapton’s music.

37. In the text, the ‘s in the sentence “...serving up *Cream’s White Room*...” is:

- a. The short form of *has*.
b. possessive ‘s.
c. The short form of *is*.

38. The expression **singalong-able** is a colloquial adjective used to describe songs, but it does not appear in the dictionary. It’s used to describe songs that...

- a. encourage people to sing.**
b. are very difficult to sing.
c. children usually like.

39. The song *Tears in Heaven*...

- a. was written by Clapton’s son.
b. is dedicated to Clapton’s son.
c. was a present for Clapton’s son on his 4th birthday.

40. In the text, the pronoun **them** in the sentence “...the seven paneled screens across the back of the stage giving the audience a close-up of the view most of them wanted to see: his fingers artfully caressing and cajoling the strings...” refers to...

- a. The seven paneled screens
b. The audience
c. His fingers

ACTIVITY 2: Read the following statements about the text and decide whether they are true (T) or false (F). Mark your answers with a circle on your answer sheet.

T F

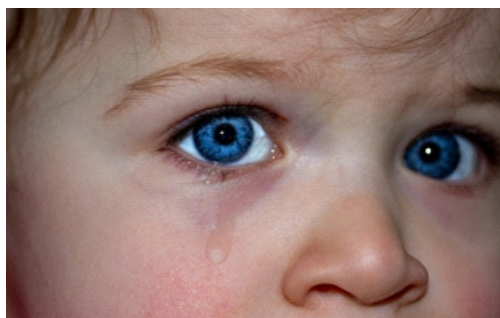
41. Erin Nyren thinks Eric Clapton should retire because he is quite old. **F**
42. When this text was written, the guitarist was 72. **T**
43. Heartbreaking is an adjective that means "very sad". **T**
44. This text is a biography. **F**
45. Eric Clapton and his band interacted a lot during the show. **F**
46. According to the writer, Clapton is one of the best reggae musicians of all times. **F**
47. The audience enjoyed the concert even though the musician was not very talkative. **T**
48. This text is a review of Eric Clapton's last concert of his "50th anniversary" tour. **F**

Text 3

Read the text by Alice Munro and do the activities below.

Boys and Girls

We sat down and my father said Grace and Henry pasted his chewing gum on the end of his fork, the way he always did; when he took it off he would have us admire the pattern. We began to pass the bowls of steaming, overcooked vegetables. Laird looked across the table at me and said proudly distinctly, «Anyway it was her fault Flora got away.»



«What?», my father said.

«She could have shut the gate and she didn't. She just opened it up and Flora ran out.»

«Is that right?», my father said.

Everybody at the table was looking at me. I nodded, swallowing food with great difficulty.

To my shame, tears flooded my eyes.

My father made a sound of disgust. «What did you do that for?»

I didn't answer. I put down my fork and waited to be sent from the table, still not looking up.

But this did not happen. For some time nobody said anything, then Laird said matter-of-factly, «She's crying.»

«Never mind,» my father said. He spoke with resignation, even good humour the words which absolved and dismissed me for good. «She's only a girl», he said.

I didn't protest that, even in my heart. Maybe it was true.

Alice Munro, *extract from Boys and Girls*

ACTIVITY 1: Read the following statements about the text and decide whether they are true (T) or false (F). Mark your answers with a circle on your answer sheet.

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49. Henry usually plays with chewing gums and forks. **T**
50. The girl in the story helped Flora to escape. **T**
51. The girl in the story admits she opened the gate. **T**
52. The girl in the story eats the food voraciously. **F**
53. The girl in the story starts crying when everybody looks at her. **T**
54. The girl in the story is punished. **F**

ACTIVITY 2: Choose the correct options on your answer sheet.

a	b	c
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55. Where does this conversation take place?
 a. On a walking path **b. In the dinner room** c. At the supermarket
56. How many people actually talk in this fragment?
 a. **Two** b. Three c. Four
57. Who is Flora?
 a. A cartoon b. The girl's mother **c. An animal**
58. Which expression could be equivalent to "Is that right?" in the text?
 a. Are you OK? **b. Is it true?** c. Is it over there?
59. What's the sentence the girl's father uses to ask for an explanation?
 a. **What did you do that for?** b. Is that right? c. Never mind
60. Which set of words from the text have the same vowel sound?
 a. me, tears, eyes **b. made, great, table** c. girl, heart, steam