

UNIVERSIDADES DE ANDALUCÍA PRUEBA DE ACCESO A LA UNIVERSIDAD

LENGUA EXTRANJERA (Inglés)

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a) Duración: 1 h.30m. b) No se permite el uso de diccionario. c) La puntuación de las preguntas está indicada en las mismas. d) Los alumnos deberán realizar completa una de las dos opciones A o B, sin poder mezclar las respuestas.

OPTION: A

MASS TOURISM CAN KILL A CITY

We have all been a tourist at some point, but citizens of great cities like Venice or Barcelona are trying to defend their traditional neighbourhoods from the massive invasion of tourists. The last local underwear shop in Venice closed a decade ago. This means that residents of this city of islands have to go to the mainland for such essential purchases. This is a warning sign. Any city that concentrates too much on mass tourism will be abandoned by its people when they can no longer pay the cost of housing, food and basic everyday necessities.

We're starting to see Venice without Venetians. It's also happening in Barcelona, a city of 2 million inhabitants that received 7.5 million tourists last year. The local authorities say that they want to increase this to 10 million visitors per year. These figures have led to open conflict this summer. There have been neighbourhood assemblies and protests against the situation, because in popular places of the city the scale of visitor numbers is affecting not only residents' quality of life, but their very ability to live in the area.

Neighbourhood communities are essential to the culture of southern Europe. Yet, people who live in popular tourist areas are at risk of being forced out by speculators who raise the rents of apartments and shops. The people who have always lived in these areas are forced to leave or, if they don't, they suffer consequences such as noise and pollution levels that are difficult to combine with daily life. It's paradoxical, but uncontrolled mass tourism ends up destroying the things that made a city attractive to visitors in the first place: the unique atmosphere of the local culture.

I* COMPREHENSION (This section consists of six items combining 'True/False' and/or 'Multiple Choice' questions) (3 points) CHOOSE AND WRITE THE CORRECT OPTION (A, B, C or D). (0.5 points each)

1. Tourism in Venice

(a) is vital for the city.

- (b) will reach 10 million tourists a day by next year.
- (c) is less massive than in Barcelona.
- (d) affects negatively small local businesses.
- 2. Tourism affects the life of residents because....
 - (a) it is difficult to walk through the streets.
- (b) tourists tend to come only in summer.
- (c) tourists don't understand local culture.
- (d) they have to live with higher noise and pollution levels.

ARE THESE STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE? JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH THE PRECISE WORDS OR PHRASES FROM THE TEXT (0.5 points each)

- 3. The inhabitants of Barcelona are very proud to receive a lot of tourists.
- 4. Mass tourism contributes to increase the cost of living in traditional areas.
- 5. Local authorities in Barcelona are trying to control the number of visitors.
- 6. Mass tourism makes a city even more attractive to new visitors.
- II * USE OF ENGLISH (4 points; questions 7-12, 0.25 points each; 13-17, 0.5 points each)
- 7. GIVE A VERB WITH THE SAME ROOT AS "invasion" (noun) (Line 2).
- 8. FILL IN THE GAP WITH THE CORRECT OPTION: "I wish you made ... your mind." out / about / up / after
- 9. FIND IN THE TEXT ONE SYNONYM FOR "number" (noun).
- 10. WHICH WORD IS NOT AN ADJECTIVE? southern / easy / friendly / jealousy.
- 11. FIND IN THE TEXT THE WORD WHICH HAS THE FOLLOWING DEFINITION: "things that you buy"
- 12. FILL IN THE GAP WITH A CORRECT FORM OF THE VERB IN BRACKETS. "I (study) for two weeks."
- 13. REWRITE THE SENTENCE WITHOUT CHANGING ITS MEANING. BEGIN AS INDICATED: "I don't type as fast as you do." You type ...
- 14. GIVE A QUESTION FOR THE UNDERLINED WORDS: Peter bought his sister's flat.
- 15. REWRITE THE SENTENCE CORRECTLY: "I looking forward to run the New York Marathon."
- 16. USE THE WORDS IN THE BOXES TO MAKE A MEANINGFUL SENTENCE. USE ALL AND ONLY THE WORDS IN THE BOXES WITHOUT GHANGING IS FORM:

 | money | I | enjoy | when | spending | on | I | am | holidays |
- 17. JOIN THE SENTENCES USING A RELATIVE. MAKE CHANGES IF NECESSARY.

Mary is studying violin. She was born in Venice.

III * PRODUCTION (3 points)

18. WRITE A COMPOSITION OF APPROXIMATELY 120 WORDS ABOUT THE TOPIC PROPOSED AND FOCUS STRICTLY ON IT: As a tourist, which places would you like to visit or which activities would you like to do? Explain.