



CLE CIC Inglés - Ejemplos de ítems y tareas

Comprensión lectora

TEXT 1

Read the text and do the exercises below.

Jesse James was a famous thief who lived in the Far West one hundred years ago. Read this text about him and do the exercises below.



Jesse James and the Widow ¹

One day, Jesse James and his gang ² were in Missouri, when they (1) saw a farmhouse. They wanted something to eat. A widow lived there with three small children. She didn't have much in the house, but she gave them some food.

Jesse James saw that this generous woman was worried. He asked her about her problem, and she cried and told him her story. She

had no money to pay the rent on the house. Her husband was dead, and she was poor. The owner of the house was not a generous man.

"Pay the rent or go away", he said.

"How much money do you need for the rent?" Jesse asked the widow.

"Five hundred dollars," the widow answered.

Jesse took out five hundred dollars from his money bag and gave them to the widow.

"I can't take this," she protested, but Jesse James insisted.

"Use the money to pay the rent, good woman", he replied. "But remember to ask for a receipt¹," he told her.

Then he got a description of the man (2), and left with his gang. Jesse and his gang waited in the woods near the house. The owner came and got his money from the widow. Jesse and his men ran out onto the road and stole their money back from the owner.

1. viuda; 2. banda de malhechores; 3. recibo



TASK 1:

What happened first? Order these actions according to the information in the text. Write the letters in the column.

Jesse and his men robbed the owner of the house.

Jesse James and his gang wanted some food.

The widow paid the rent.

1)	
2)	
3)	

TASK 2: Are these sentences True or False? Write a ✓ in the right column.

This text is about a man and his farmhouse.

Jesse asked "How much money do you need for the rent?" because he wanted to rob her.

The woman was sad about her situation.

"the man" (2) in this sentence refers to the woman's husband.

True	False



TEXT 2

Read the text and do the exercises below.

Community Helpers: What Are They?

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Section 1: _____

Community helpers are constantly in the news. Every day we read stories about firemen, police officers, paramedics, medical personnel and construction workers. All of them help the community whenever people need them. To know what a community helper is, first you need to know what a community is.

Section 2: _____

A community is composed of different groups of people who live and work together. The community has a specific location (it is in one place), it has rules and laws that people must follow and the people work together to solve their problems. One example of a community is your family, then comes your neighbourhood, and finally the town or city that you live in. So what is a community helper?

A community helper is anyone in the community who helps others by offering a service, for example, the Police Force, the Fire Service and the Emergency Medical Services but there are many, many more. How many can you think of?

Section 3: _____

First, think about your own home. Your Mum can be considered a community helper. In your family it is probably your mum who cooks the dinner, cleans the house, does the laundry and helps in a thousand different ways every day but not all families do have a Mum, and they are still a community, so who does all the jobs in those families? Well, there is Dad and Grandma, maybe a housekeeper or a gardener, a babysitter, older brothers and sisters, the list goes on and on.

Everyone can be a community helper.

Section 4: _____

Just suppose you clean up your room. It is only your room; you don't share it with anyone. Do you think that this makes you a community helper? The answer is not really, because you are helping your Mum and yourself but you are not helping the whole community. To be a community helper you must do something that may help everyone, so cleaning the living room will make you a community helper.



TASK 1:

Match the possible title with the corresponding section. Write the letters in the right square.

Attention! There is an extra option.

Section 1	What is a community? What is a community helper?	1)	
Section 2	Jobs around the house	2)	
Section 3	It's not only about you	3)	
Section 4	Public services	4)	
	Personal obligations		



TEXT 3:

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Avatar offers hope and entertainment

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FREMONT, California, U.S.A. – Everybody talked about *Avatar*, James Cameron’s new film. “It is fantastic,” they said. But I thought they were exaggerating. After watching the film I knew they were right. It combines extraordinary photography, important messages and a fascinating story. *Avatar* takes place in 2154. The story is about a military mission to the remote planet “Pandora”, the home of the Na’vi people. On that planet, there is a very special mineral that Planet Earth needs. The Armed Forces want to get it, so they want the Na’vi to leave Pandora, their rich land. But the Na’vi resist. They are not a violent tribe but they don’t want to go away. So they decide to fight against the Armed Forces from the Earth. And the war begins!

James Cameron, the director of the film *Titanic*, can create excellent love stories but with *Avatar* he shows that he is a genius. His films always have a profound message for us. In 163 minutes Cameron shows us the terror and reality of our world. *Avatar* takes place in the future, and this future is good: we feel that there is time to find a solution to our world’s problems before it is too late. We understand Cameron’s message: war is never the solution to our problems.

I left the cinema full of enthusiasm, ready to watch the film again.



TASK 1: Choose the best option. Write a ✓ next to it.

The text is about...

a film.

a director.

a book.

The writer is...

an actor from Avatar.

a member of James Cameron's fan club.

a journalist who saw Avatar.

The text is for...

teachers.

the general public.

the writer's friends.

Who is I in "I left the cinema full of enthusiasm." (in the last line)?

I = the writer.

I = the reader.

I = the director.

Avatar is...

the director of Titanic.

163 minutes long.

Cameron's first film.



Producción Escrita

1. Respuesta abierta a preguntas contextualizadas

There is a survey² in the city of Buenos Aires because the government wants to give away³ a lot of computers to students in secondary school. Answer these questions with information about you.

More computers for our students

Do you want to have your first computer? Complete this survey about you and give it to

your teacher.

1. Have you got a computer at home?

² Survey: encuesta

³ Give away: regalar



2. Completamiento de oraciones o textos cortos a partir de indicaciones específicas

Fede is writing an e-mail to his friend Mark. He includes a photo with a short description of his school friends. Read the guide for each blank and complete the sentences



Hi, Mark!

How are you? I'm sending you a photo of some of my classmates.

The only girl in the picture is Anna. She is (*physical description*) (1) _____
_____ and has got
(2) _____.

Nacho is the tall boy with black hair. Can you see him? He's (*position in the photo*)
(3) _____.

Nacho is a very good student. He (*favourite school subjects*) (4) _____
_____.

The boy next to Nacho is Santi. He loves sports. Every Saturday, he (*routine*)
(5) _____
_____.

What are your friends like? Tell me

Bye for now

Fede





Comprensión Oral

Tapescript 1

Announcer: Hello America! We create documentaries, projects and reports for the public radio and the internet. So you can switch on your computer or listen to us in your car! This week we have the sad story of the city of Small Springs. A year ago, a big storm destroyed the houses, businesses and the lives of many people. After one year of the storm, a lot of families are working hard to build their homes again. Today we meet Naomi Foster, who survived by floating on her refrigerator.

Reporter: Hello, Naomi. Do you live alone?

Naomi: No, I don't. I'm married, you know. I live with my husband and two children, Annie and Tom. They are at school now.

Reporter: And how is your house?

Naomi: It's in bad shape. The kitchen and the bathroom are still wet, there's water in there but the bedroom is fine. My husband started to repair the house, but we need more money. We're waiting for some help from the government. The president promised to help us after the terrible rain last year. But we never got any money from them. And we need it!

Reporter: What are you going to do?

Naomi: We have a lot of problems and it's difficult to live here, but we'll stay. It's our home and we're not going to leave it. But we're not happy with this. What's going to happen with the house? We don't know! Will the government send the money? We don't know! We can't sleep well at night thinking of this.

Reporter: Thanks, Naomi. Good luck with your house!

Listen to a news report about a difficult situation in the city of Small Springs in USA. You are going to listen to the text twice.



TASK 1: Choose the best option (A, B or C). Write a ✓ in the corresponding box.

This report is

- A. for the radio and the internet
- B. for the television
- C. for the radio only

Why does the reporter interview Naomi?

- A. To give more personalized information about this problem
- B. To ask for Naomi's opinion
- C. To give advice to Naomi

What are Naomi's plans?

- A. She's going to buy a new house
- B. She's going to stay in her house
- C. She's going to her mother's house

How does Naomi feel?

- A. Happy
- B. Worried
- C. Sad



(Tapescript 2)

Welcome to the series of biographies about famous musicians. In this TV show, we look at the lives of famous people. Today we are presenting the biography of Joe Cocker.

Joe Cocker was born in Sheffield, England in 1944. his unusual style of dancing and his black singer's voice make him a unique performer. People recognize his voice immediately! He is not black but sings like a black singer.

Before becoming a professional singer, he worked as an employee in a company. He didn't like working in the company, but he needed the money. He made his first record in 1964, but it was difficult for him to become famous because of the many emotional problems he had.

But in 1983 he was invited to sing in a duo with Jennifer Warnes the song "Up where we belong". This song was the hit of a famous film in the USA in 1983, and was considered one of the best love songs of the 80's. This song took his career to the top. He was back again and the record companies wanted him again.

Today, Joe Cocker works for a famous record company. Apart from that famous love song, he composed many other great love songs that became soundtracks of internationally successful films.

Listen to the story of singer Joe Cocker. You will listen to the text twice.

TASK 2: Are these sentences True or False? Write a ✓ in the corresponding column

The text is part of a TV programme.

If you listen to this, you can learn about the plans of a singer.

Joe Cocker is a black singer.

Many of his songs are about love.

TRUE	FALSE



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Read this text and circle the correct option

A 15-year-old student writes a letter to the school authorities asking them for help.

Dear Mr Costello

I am a 5thA student and I (1) (write – wrote – am writing) this letter because one of my friends is in serious trouble and needs help.

Christian Santangelo is (2) (on – in – at) my class and last year he (3) (meet – met – meets) a group of boys at a disco and they became very close. He started spending more and more time with (4) (them – they – their) and less and less time with us, his true friends. But the problem is that Christian started (5) (drink - drinking -drank) and he can't stop. He acts different too: he (6) (are getting – don't get – gets) angry easily and doesn't enjoy the things we did before. He stopped talking to us. He also started missing lessons and, when he goes to class, he (7) (can't – shouldn't – mustn't) concentrate. Perhaps he is on drugs too. Yesterday, the police came to see us after school. They asked, "Where is Chris Santangelo?" We didn't know!

We are really worried about him because he is not doing things right. We want to talk to him but he just doesn't listen to us. What can we do? Can you help us?

Thank you very much.

Matías Gole.



Producción Oral

Preguntas sobre una lámina



- Where are these kids?
- What are they doing?
- What instruments are they playing?
- Why are they practising?
- What are they wearing?
- How may the neighbours feel about their music?
- Describe this room.

Interacción para resolver una situación requerida.

Se presenta a los candidatos una misma situación para que desarrollen una interacción guiada según la información de la tarjeta que reciben (pueden tener apoyo verbal o visual). Se les dará a los candidatos un tiempo breve para ponerse de acuerdo. Ambos candidatos deben tomar iniciativa, hacer preguntas y responder.

Situation: ORGANIZING A PARTY

You and your friend want to give Mary a surprise birthday party. You talk with your friend about the organization of the party. Tell your friend: "Why don't we give Mary a surprise birthday party?"

You can use the following information :

Who ...?

What ...?

How ...?

Where ...?

When...?

What time?





Situation: Going out You are going to talk in pairs. You both want to go the cinema. This card can help you. You must each ask and answer 3 questions.



When ...?



Where ...?



How much ..?

What ...?



How ...?



What time ...?



Clave de Respuesta

Comprensión Lectora:

TEXT 1

TASK 1

B

C

A

TASK 2

This text is about a man and his farmhouse.

Jesse asked "How much money do you need for the rent?" because he wanted to rob her.

The woman was sad about her situation.

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	TRUE	FALSE
This text is about a man and his farmhouse.		✓
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The woman was sad about her situation.	✓	
<u>"the man"</u> (2) in this sentence refers to the woman's husband.		✓

TEXT 2:

TASK 1

1)	D
2)	A
3)	B
4)	C



TEXT 3

TASK 1

- a
- c
- b
- a
- b

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TASK 1:

- A
- A
- B
- B

TASK 2:

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TRUE	FALSE
✓	
	✓
	✓
✓	



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