



**Pruebas de acceso a enseñanzas universitarias oficiales de grado (Bachillerato L.O.E.)**

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**PROPUESTA A**

**HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE US: WHAT DOES IT COST?**

Well, the first thing to know is that the costs of undergraduate study in the United States are different from school to school. Private colleges and universities generally cost more than public ones. Another thing to keep in mind is that not all students pay a school's "published price." Financial aid and scholarships may reduce the cost. Here are a few numbers for this school year from the College Board organization.

The average published price for undergraduate study at a four-year public college is about seven thousand dollars. That is for students from "in state." Students from other states and international students often have to pay the highest prices. They pay an average of more than eighteen thousand dollars. And these prices are only for tuition and fees. Food, housing, books and supplies can add from ten to twelve thousand dollars a year.

American students often have to take out a loan to help pay for their education, so they try to save money by starting their education at a two-year public college, also known as a community college, where the average tuition this year is about two thousand five hundred dollars. A few American colleges provide free education, and others pay all first-year costs for their foreign students, but they are expected to pay one thousand dollars a year after that.

Adapted from <http://www.voanews.com>

**QUESTIONS**

**I. READING COMPREHENSION. (2 POINTS) (0.5 points for each correct answer)**

Add TRUE or FALSE and **copy the evidence** from the text to support your answer. **NO** marks are given for only true or false.

1. Scholarships are intended to help students pay educational expenses.
2. The prices that appear in the text have been provided by colleges.
3. Foreign students have to pay about 7,000 dollars at a four-year public college.
4. Some undergraduates need financial aid to fund their education.

**II. LEXICON / PHONETICS (2 POINTS):**

**A. LEXICON. (1 POINT) (0.25 points for each correct answer)**

Find words or phrases in the text that mean the same as these given.

1. A student who is studying for their first degree at college or university.
2. To take into account.
3. Accommodation.
4. Credit.

**B. PHONETICS. (1 POINT) (0.25 points for each correct answer)**

1. Write one word from the text that includes the same sound as "mouth" /aʊ/. (0.25)
2. Write one word from the text that includes the same sound as "heat" /i:/. (0.25)
3. Write two words from the text that include the same sound as "short" /ʃ/. (0.5)

**III. USE OF ENGLISH. (3 POINTS) (0.5 for each correct answer)**

Rewrite the following sentences starting with the words given.

1. Jennifer Egan is an American novelist. She has won the 2011 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction.	Jennifer Egan, ...
2. Ethan: "Don't play football in the garden, Billy!"	Ethan ...
3. If you don't study harder, you won't get a scholarship.	Unless ...
4. When did the technician service your air conditioning?	When did you ...
5. According to the smoking ban, it is illegal to smoke in enclosed public places.	According to the smoking ban, you ...
6. Write the correct question for the underlined words: I took <u>some books and a DVD</u> from the library yesterday.	...?

**IV. COMPOSITION. (3 POINTS)**

Write a composition of between 100 and 125 words on the following topic:

**"What are some qualities of a good student?"**



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**PROPUESTA B**

**AN EXERCISE ROUTINE**

When we talk about an exercise routine we tend to focus on the word 'exercise' rather than on 'routine', but regularity and constancy are the key elements to keeping fit, so make sure your exercise routine is part of your daily habits and vice versa: don't forget that physical chores such as housework or dog-walking, and leisure activities such as dancing or walking can all contribute to your keep fit routine.

It's also important to focus on health because it's not all about losing weight but about being healthy. You may find that it's easier to lose weight if the health benefits that go with it are your priority.

On the other hand, don't aspire to quick changes. Those sudden losses of weight that occur when you skip meals aren't usually relevant. You'll do much better to adopt new and healthy habits, both in terms of diet and keep fit. Just like the tortoise and the hare, you'll find that "slow and steady wins the race."

Finally, let other people help you. Although you are the one who has to keep to the routine, it'll be easier if you let your friends and family know what you're doing. That way, they'll be more likely to encourage you. If you've got a birthday or anniversary coming up, make it clear that flowers, a book or a spa gift voucher is a better present than chocolates.

Adapted from <http://www.hellomagazine.com>

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**I. READING COMPREHENSION. (2 POINTS) (0.5 points for each correct answer)**

Add TRUE or FALSE and **copy the evidence** from the text to support your answer. **NO** marks are given for only true or false.

1. The type of exercise is more important than the frequency.
2. Cleaning the house can also help you be fit.
3. Cutting out breakfast is an effective way to lose weight.
4. It can be helpful if people close to you know that you're trying to lose weight.

**III. LEXICON / PHONETICS (2 POINTS):**

**A. LEXICON. (1 POINT) (0.25 points for each correct answer)**

Find words or phrases in the text that mean the same as these given.

1. Activities.
2. Help.
3. Concentrate.
4. Rapid.

**B. PHONETICS. (1 POINT) (0.25 points for each correct answer)**

1. Write one word from the text that includes the same sound as "run" /ʌ/. (0.5)
2. Which sound does "although" include, /θ/ or /ð/. (0.25)
3. Write two words from the text that include the same sound as "same" /eɪ/. (0.5)

**III. USE OF ENGLISH. (3 POINTS) (0.5 for each correct answer)**

Rewrite the following sentences starting with the words given.

1. I've never seen such a wonderful group of people.	It's the most ...
2. "Are there any messages for me?", asked the manager.	The manager asked...
3. In spite of having a lot of experience, he didn't get the job.	Although ...
4. You shouldn't have told her the truth.	If only ...
5. During the season, you are not allowed to eat red meat.	During the season ...
6. <i>Write the correct question for the underlined words:</i> Pau Gasol became the first Spaniard to win an NBA Title.	...?

**IV. COMPOSITION. (3 POINTS)**

Write a composition of between 100 and 125 words on the following topic:

**"Do you think everybody should practise sports?"**