



Prueba de Acceso a la Universidad de Extremadura

Curso 2008-09 (SEPT)

Asignatura: Inglés

Tiempo máximo de la prueba: Una hora y treinta minutos

El alumno deberá responder a todas las preguntas que se formulan, **excepto en el caso de la primera pregunta** (la redacción), donde deberá elegir entre la opción A y la opción B. Las respuestas a todos los ejercicios deberán ser realizadas en inglés.

Puntuación máxima del ejercicio: 10 puntos.

Puntuación máxima de cada pregunta: 1ª = 3 puntos; 2ª = 2 puntos; 3ª = 1,5 puntos; 4ª = 1,5 puntos; 5ª = 2 puntos).

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

School uniforms are common in primary and secondary schools in many nations. Traditionally, school uniforms have been simple and professional. Boys' uniforms often consist of dark trousers, a light-coloured shirt, and a tie; girls' uniforms vary greatly between countries and schooling systems, but typically consist of a dress or a blouse worn either with a skirt or with culottes. Some controversy exists about whether all students should wear exactly the same uniform: some schools permit female students to choose between skirts or trousers but still require male students to wear trousers. The use of a blazer or jacket for both girls and boys is also quite common, especially in cold weather.

In the United Kingdom and Ireland, the majority of state secondary schools adopt a uniform so that their students feel comfortable and all similar. In most British primary and secondary schools, pupils must wear uniforms, but further education colleges and some school sixth-forms (for ages over sixteen years) do not usually have a uniform.

School uniforms are also the victims of modernisation. Over the last ten years, for example, a tendency towards wearing school polo shirts (as well as more casual styles of trousers, such as plain, dark-coloured jeans, or even shorts), has become popular in schools in the United Kingdom, particularly in London. This can be seen as a way to modernise the uniform and to make it more affordable to families who do not have enough money to buy expensive uniforms. Equally, temperatures in classrooms have changed over the last fifty years in the United Kingdom due to environmental reasons and to the introduction of central heating systems. This has, in most schools, made older, thicker uniforms highly impractical, especially in the summer months. As a result, many schools have decided to adopt more temperate uniforms.

- Write a composition on **one** of the following topics:
 - Do you think wearing a uniform should be obligatory in all schools? Give your opinion in no less than 80 words.
 - Write a story of at least 80 words **beginning with** the words: *Elizabeth had never liked the idea of wearing a uniform at school, but she had to wear one in her new school.*
- Answer the following **two** questions:
 - Does the writer think that uniforms are used for religious reasons in Great Britain? Explain your answer.
 - According to the text, has the weather had any influence on school uniforms in Britain over the last decades? Explain your answer.
- Imagine your friend's uniform is dirty. Tell him to clean it and give him/her a good reason for it.
- Rewrite the following sentence in the passive voice:
In most British primary and secondary schools, pupils must wear uniforms
 - Rewrite the following sentence in negative-interrogative:
Temperatures in classrooms have changed over the last fifty years in the United Kingdom
- Find **two** words in the text containing vowels or groups of vowels that are pronounced in the same way as a in *hat*, ee in *need*, and a in *face*. You must underline the part of the word that contains the sound.