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2011 Spanish Beginners HSC Examination 'Sample Answers'

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Section I — Listening

Question 1

Sample answer:

Maria is looking forward to this afternoon because she has her favourite subject with her favourite teacher.

Question 2

Sample answer:

She is ringing to remind him to be home because his grandparents are coming to visit.

Question 3

Sample answer:

12 noon: Meet Carlos at school.

Question 4

Sample answer:

This offer is attractive because it provides a variety of courses, it is conveniently located and it offers an excellent discount.

Question 5

Sample answer:

She has to stay another night at the hotel. She will be catching a taxi instead of the bus to the airport. She'll need to change her appointment time.

Question 6

Sample answer:

They've been invited by a very nice couple to spend a week with them in their house. There are lots of places still to see in Puerto Azul. They also want to attend the festival.

Question 7

Sample answer:

They nearly won last year. They are aware that they need to speed up their service. She already has some ideas of how to become more efficient. The management is also providing a reward if they win.

Question 8 (a)*Sample answer:*

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Question 8 (b)*Sample answer:*

Marco disagrees with Beatriz because he believes that there are plenty of job opportunities in their country town. If she wants to study she can do a university course by distance education. They have a different set of values: family and friends are important to him but not to her.

Question 9*Sample answer:*

He is a single father. His children come first for him so he works from home. He is well organised and has a positive outlook on life.

Section II — Reading**Question 10***Sample answer:*

A university student

Question 11*Sample answer:*

- The students are throwing balls into his garden.
- He has spoken to the students but they ignored him.
- He demands the school resolve the issue.

Question 12 (a)*Sample answer:*

His motorbike is missing and he wants to know if Pepito has it.

Question 12 (b)*Sample answer:*

He suggests that Alonso catch a taxi to training, that he'll pay for the taxi, and pick up Alonso from training when he finishes.

Question 13 (a)***Sample answer:***

The reviewer liked all of the director's previous films, and this is his first film in 3 years.

Question 13 (b)***Sample answer:***

A double success for Alex Jiménez Antón is the better title because Alex Jiménez Antón is both the director of this high-quality film and gives a great performance as an actor in it. The film is not a wildlife documentary, so *A new wildlife documentary hits the screen* is not appropriate.

Question 14 (a)***Sample answer:***

They were both only children. They both spent a lot of time with their grandparents and were both from migrant backgrounds.

Question 14 (b)***Sample answer:***

Diego found work more satisfying than Alvaro did. Even though Diego's boss was strict, he was a great mentor. Diego realises that he has acquired a lot of experience. He is now prepared should a better job come along. Whereas, Alvaro's boss seemed great but he did not teach him anything and Alvaro now finds his job boring.

Question 15 (a)***Sample answer:***

Maria has changed her mind about travelling with her friend and is turning to Julio for advice as he knows them both and has given good advice in the past.

Question 15 (b)***Sample answer:***

It is going to hurt Carla's self-esteem and damage her friendship with Maria. It also means she is unlikely to travel in the near future. On the other hand, she is going to work on developing her independence and self-confidence. Further, it means she will be able to study and buy the car of her dreams with the money she saved.