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NEW SOUTH WALES

2011 Spanish Continuers HSC Examination 'Sample Answers'

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Section I – Listening and Responding

Question 1

Sample answer:

His girlfriend insists on playing rugby even though he thinks it is not appropriate.

Question 2

Sample answer:

Stolen item:	Backpack
Name	Juanita Soto
Contact number:	5985148109
Time:	7:30 pm

Question 3

Sample answer:

Someone who:

- is looking for a Mother's Day present
- likes/prefers to buy online
- is looking for something special/different

Question 4

Sample answer:

As a result of a fire in the restaurant, their Christmas lunch has been cancelled. New date and venue will be announced soon.

Question 5 (a)

Sample answer:

He is justified in refusing his sister's request for money because essentially she doesn't understand the value of money. He works very hard for his money. She never has enough money and needs to borrow money from him, which she never pays back. Even though she wants a new pair of shoes for her upcoming job interview, she still doesn't need them because she already has plenty of pairs of shoes.

Question 5 (b)*Sample answer:*

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Question 6*Sample answer:*

He is frustrated because of his son's terrible school results and the fact that the school had not informed him previously of problems even though he had regularly contacted them. And more over he is frustrated that the principal is unable to explain the school's lack of contact.

Question 7*Sample answer:*

She feels distressed because:

- she thinks that the interview was a waste of time
- she feels that the interviewer is not interested in other opinions
- she feels that the interviewer only expresses one opinion: his
- she thinks that the interviewer is biased against young people
- she feels that the media are responsible for a negative image of young drivers

**Section II — Reading and Responding
Part A****Question 8 (a)***Sample answer:*

(Youth) Club member

Question 8 (b)*Sample answer:*

The participation of its members in a holiday program which is not only fun but also provides young people with the opportunity to discover and to learn more about the culture and history of their city. It provides them with the opportunity to spend active holidays instead of sitting around at home.

Question 8 (c)**Sample answer:**

The notice conveys its message effectively by using language which is emphatic and enthusiastic by its tone: 'ven', 'participa', 'descubre tu ciudad', 'haz nuevos amigos', 'camina y respira el aire puro', which invites and encourages the reader to participate in the summer program. The text is personal and direct by the use of the second person 'tú' (imperative) connecting directly with the reader. The text also provides factual information which will be helpful to sign up 'desde el 20 hasta el 27 de diciembre' www.centrojuvenillospinos. The choice of words creates positive imagery of the holidays lying ahead 'inolvidable' 'soñaste' 'divertidas'.

(For a comprehensive understanding it is not required to address all of these language techniques.)

Question 9 (a)**Sample answer:**

To help people who are confused about their future to think more clearly. To give advice about the future to people through the sharing of experiences.

Question 9 (b)**Sample answer:**

Her life is now dissatisfying because previously everything was easy at school and she hates what she's studying at Uni. She wishes she was studying mechanics but her parents don't think it's a job for girls and there's no money in it

Question 9 (c)**Sample answer:**

Martin is writing about his negative experiences of life after school because he doesn't want others to suffer the same experiences. He made choices based on the advice of his parents and spent three years studying something he does not like. He now believes one should follow one's passion.

Question 9 (d)**Sample answer:**

Ignacio is not very likely to follow Roberta's advice because she suggests to stay open to what life has to offer which is contrary to Ignacio's view of having everything well planned, clear goals and work towards them. He doesn't appear to be flexible. He has always known what he wanted to do and has worked towards that goal. He is also ambitious and believes economic stability is paramount, even though he wants to contribute to society. Leaving a stable environment and working for a charitable organisation, like Roberta did, would not fit Ignacio.

Question 9 (e)***Sample answer:***

Pancho was true to himself and took the future firmly in his own hands, as the title indicates. Even though life was challenging for him after school and there were moments of indecision and disorientation, he made his own decisions and paved his own way.

Even with all the problems: studying, starting his own business, not making money, he stuck with it and now sees that the risk has turned into reward. His future, his decisions, are all in his hands, just as the title indicates.

Not only is Pancho's success the result of his own choices, efforts and perseverance – the fruit of his own hands – but also, ironically, as a landscape gardener, he works with his hands.