

Fecha: 21-05-2005
Materia: Inglés
Horario: 12:45-13:45

Criterios de Corrección:
Deberá leerse un texto en inglés y a continuación proceder a responder 5 preguntas de 2 puntos cada una de ellas.

ADULT LEARNING

It is often said that we learn things at the wrong time: children just like to play and hate the discipline required for learning. Young university students like a good social life and do the minimum amount of work. Some grown-up people are afraid of going back to School or University because they think that they have lost the habit of studying.

But adult learning is a private determination from which we can derive many personal satisfactions. The joy of adult learning is that, what you think you have lost is easily replaced by the satisfaction of what you are going to gain. In some ways, age is a positive plus because you have learnt to think independently and flexibly, and you are better at relating one thing to another. Experience has told you that if you are calm, and simply do something again and again you will eventually understand and so, learn. Maturity inspires you that, with application, you can reach any goal. Complex emotions that you thought never existed make you feel that practice and persistence open the gates to success.

QUESTIONS

- 1) State in your own words what the author means when he says...

“... adult learning is a private determination from which we can derive many personal satisfactions” (2 marks)

2) Say in each case whether the statement is true or false, according to the text.
Write "T" or "F" on the dots. If the answer is not mentioned in the text, mark it false.

- a) Learning is just for young people who have the habit of studying.
- b) Adult learning only brings dissatisfaction.
- c) Maturity tells you that it is posible to reach your objectives
- d) Learning is a question of persistence. (2 marks)

3) These words are all found in the text: learn, amount, private, joy, eventually, plus, goal, gates, determination, often. Choose the ones that mean the same as the following:

- a) frequently
- b) quantity
- c) finally
- d) personal (2 marks)

4) Choose a, b, or c, after each statement below. Only one answer is correct.

- 1. Children...
 - a) love having fun and dislike working.
 - b) hate working but love learning.
 - c) dislike the necessary discipline to learn.
- 2. Some grown-up people...
 - a) dislike adult education
 - b) fear returning to any education system.
 - c) feel indifferent towards adult education.
- 3. Being mature...
 - a) is an obstacle for learning.
 - b) helps learning.
 - c) causes dissatisfaction.
- 4. Practice and persistence...
 - a) are the key to being successful.
 - b) impede the way to success.
 - c) are related to university students. (2 marks)

5) Answer the following questions:

- * Can adult learning be satisfactory? In which way?
 - * Why is it said that we learn things at the wrong time?
- (2 marks)