

Fecha: 28/04/2007
Materia: IDIOMA: INGLÉS
Horario: 13:00 - 14:00

Deberá leerse un texto en inglés y a continuación proceder a responder cinco preguntas de 2 puntos cada una de ellas:

1. Comprensión.
2. Verdadero o falso.
3. Ejercicio de vocabulario.
4. Completar 4 enunciados eligiendo 1 de las 3 opciones.
5. Responder a 2 cuestiones sobre el tema del texto.

Our planet Earth is a very special one. Our atmosphere has a unique device: a layer of gases that keep the planet warm, and of which CO₂ is the main driver for the greenhouse effect. In the past, the Earth's climate changed as a result of natural causes, but since the Nineteenth century human activity has been causing the increase in the temperature of our planet by burning fossil fuels. If current tendencies continue, the effects will be so severe that human civilization might disappear because the rise in global temperature might mean, according to reports: loss of food production, increased flooding due to the melting of icebergs in the poles, and water shortages among others; and as a consequence of all this, poverty, famine, migration, and the spread of infectious diseases. Authorities need to investigate the replacement of oil or coal as major power sources with wind or solar energy, or the one coming from the tides of the seas. At present, global warming does not happen by default. It is a man-made problem, a global issue; and there is an obligation on us all to take action. If action is not immediately taken, the change in nature will have serious impact on people and economics.

QUESTIONS

- 1) **State in your own words what the writer means when he says:**

“Authorities need to investigate the replacement of oil or coal as major power sources” (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). Our planet Earth’s atmosphere has a special mechanism.
- b). The climate of the Earth has never changed.
- c). Nowadays global warming occurs by the action of Nature.
- d). Renewable energies come from the power of the wind, the sun and the sea

(2 marks)

3) **These words are all found in the text: UNIQUE, THE RISE, TENDENCIES, THE SPREAD, ISSUE, Match them with the following ones:**

TRENDS:

DISTINCTIVE:

THE INCREASE:

CONCERN:

THE EXPANSION:

(2 marks)

4) **Choose the best answer. Write the appropriate letter on the dots. Only one option is correct.**

The greenhouse effect is...

- a) The consequence of driving under the influence of CO₂
- b) The rise in the Earth temperature due to certain atmospheric gases.
- c) One of the renewable energy sources
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- a) Authorities must investigate the replacement of oil or coal.
- b) They should investigate that replacement.
- c) The authorities are allowed to investigate that replacement.
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- a) Because of the rise in global temperature there is a probability that human civilization disappears.
- b) For that reason, human civilization has to disappear.
- c) Not necessarily the rise in global temperature will cause the disappearance of human civilization
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- a) Humans will change the nature of the consequences
- b) The change in nature will have dangerous consequences for humans
- c) The change in nature won't affect humans at all.

(2 marks)

5) **Answer in English the following questions:**

- How would you contribute to avoid the greenhouse effect?
- In what way climate change will affect people?

(2 marks)