



PRUEBAS DE APTITUD PARA EL ACCESO A ESTUDIOS UNIVERSITARIOS

(Mayores de 25 años)

MATERIA: INGLÉS

QUESTIONS

INSTRUCCIONES GENERALES Y VALORACIÓN

**TIEMPO:** Una hora. Se recomienda dedicar cuarenta minutos para responder a las preguntas 1, 2, 3, 4, y veinte minutos para la número 5.

**Puntuación máxima:** 10 puntos.

**INSTRUCCIONES:**

1. Haga una primera lectura cuidadosa del texto y de las preguntas.
2. Lea una segunda vez y conteste a las preguntas.
3. Conteste en LENGUA INGLESA.
4. Escriba sus respuestas en el cuadernillo de examen respetando el orden de las preguntas.

**Summer Lightning**

In Florida, it's often said, you have a better chance of getting hit by lightning than winning the state lottery. Tony Scott, a retired service technician for BellSouth Telephone Company, is living proof of that statistic. Scott was struck 10 years ago while he was finishing a project to put a phone line in place. There wasn't a cloud overhead, but there were thunderstorms in the distance. He was suddenly struck by lightning.

While many people survive a lightning strike, the resulting medical problems can be very serious. Very often lightning victims suffer changes that really affect their lives and they're unable to return to their previous work. For instance, their short-term memory is severely damaged. That's one of several complications Tony Scott faces every day. Moreover, at night he wakes up with cold sweats. He still has fatigue problems, and a partial hearing loss in one ear.

In the past few weeks lightning in South Florida has killed a tourist from Colorado and injured a fisherman. 25 million lightning bolts a year hit the ground nationwide and an average of 73 people are killed each year by lightning. So the message is simple: "Don't take chances." The lightning season is closely associated with the humid summer months, and areas of particular danger include golf courses, ball fields and swimming pools. If you observe dark clouds anywhere in sight, you should move indoors until the storm passes.

**1. Look at the following statements. Write T for true, F for false, and DK (don't know) if you cannot tell from the text. If it is true or false, copy the evidence from the text.**

- a. Tony Scott was playing golf when he was struck by lightning.
- b. There hasn't been any lightning victim in Florida recently.
- c. There are many fires during the lightning season.

**(Calificación máxima: 3 puntos; no se obtendrán puntos por responder tan sólo T o F; se descontará medio punto por cada respuesta incorrecta)**

**2. Based on the ideas from the text, fill in the table below.**

What are the health problems that Tony Scott has to face now?

Memory	
Sleep	
Weakness	
Other	

**(Calificación máxima: 1 punto)**

**3. Find the words or phrases in the text that mean:**

- a. frequently (paragraph 1)
- b. go back (paragraph 2)
- c. in addition (paragraph 2)
- d. inside a building (paragraph 3)

**(Calificación máxima: 1 punto)**

**4. Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given.**

- a. I'd like to go by car instead of \_\_\_\_\_ (walk). I'm worried \_\_\_\_\_ the storm.
- b. Dr. Mary Ann Cooper, \_\_\_\_\_ is a lightning expert at the University of Illinois, \_\_\_\_\_ (spend) eight months in Florida last year studying the medical complications lightning victims often face.
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ you live in Florida, it is \_\_\_\_\_ (easy) to be struck by lightning than to win the lottery.

**Complete the following sentence to report what was said.**

- d. When will you be back? → Peter asked the girl ...

**(Calificación máxima: 2 puntos)**

**5. Write about 60 to 100 words on ONE of the following topics. Do not copy from the text.**

- a. Thunderstorms, tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes, and other natural disasters kill many people every year. What should governments do about it? Explain.
- b. Describe any natural disaster you have seen, read or been told about.

**(Calificación máxima: 3 puntos)**