

# EVALUACIÓN DE BACHILLERATO PARA EL ACCESO A LA UNIVERSIDAD (EBAU)

FASE GENERAL  
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**MATERIA:** PRIMERA LENGUA EXTRANJERA II: INGLÉS

**Convocatoria:** JULIO

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## OPCIÓN A

### Better homes for Sahrawi refugees

1 For 40 years, the harsh desert has punished Western Sahara refugees with its merciless environment. Yet, Sahrawi energy expert Tateh Lehbib Breica thinks it is possible to change that situation and is putting his education to use within his community.

5 Breica, born and raised by his grandmother in a Tindouf refugee camp, attended university under a full Erasmus scholarship and earned a Master’s degree from Las Palmas de Gran Canaria University, where he specialized in energy efficiency. “When I started my studies, I began dreaming of constructing a home that resists heat, rain and storms”, the refugee commented.

10 Providing adequate housing in the camps is a challenge because the traditional adobe houses and tents are vulnerable to heavy rains and sandstorms that periodically hit the desert. That’s why Breica is trying to improve housing conditions for refugees with a totally different approach; he is building houses using plastic bottles filled with wet compressed sand.

15 The 28-year-old engineer built his first house for his elderly grandmother whose house was severely damaged by devastating floods while he was studying at the university. “When I first started building, people thought I was crazy. However, this kind of alternative housing has many benefits, especially in a desert environment. The round-house bottle approach is apparently new to the Sahrawi society, but I saw it for the first time on TV in India, though the idea was initiated in Latin America”, the creative engineer explained.

20 In addition to having greater resistance to water, the home Breica built for his granny also proved better at keeping out the penetrating sand and dust from the sandstorms. The house has received a lot of attention beyond the camp. Among those who were quick to perceive its benefits was the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and Breica is now working for them. He is building 25 plastic bottle homes in refugee camps. “My dream is not only to build 25 houses. I want to build a house for each family in the camps to ease their suffering”, Breica stated. (345 words)

Adapted from *BBC News*, January 2017

**1.- Say whether the following sentences are TRUE or FALSE according to the text. Copy the evidence from the text. No marks will be given without the evidence. (1.5 points)**

- The Sahrawi energy expert invented the plastic-bottle house.
- The typical houses used by the Sahrawi refugees occasionally suffer from the violence of natural phenomena.
- Breica hasn’t got any support for his project as he is thought to be lunatic.

**2.- Choose ONLY THREE of the following words and write a synonym (=), an opposite (≠), a definition or a sentence (only one of these four) to show that you understand their meaning in the text. Use your own words. (1.5 points)**

a) – merciless (line 1)

b) – yet (line 2)

c) – to provide (line 8)

d) – severely (line 12)

e) – in addition to (line 18)

f) – to perceive (line 20)

**3.- Read this conversation and complete your part. Write the numbers (1-8) and complete each sentence on your exam paper. (2 points)**

**You are talking to your friend Danny during break**

**You:** Hi, Danny. (1) \_\_\_\_\_ . Are you OK?

**Danny:** Hi. I'm not OK. I've got a problem.

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**You:** A problem? Why? (2) \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Danny:** Someone took my mobile phone while I was in PE.

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**You:** (3) \_\_\_\_\_ ?

**Danny:** In my school bag. And that's not all, that person also took my English homework for today. I don't know what to do.

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**You:** (4) \_\_\_\_\_

**Danny:** I'm not sure about that. The teacher will probably think that's an excuse for not handing in my homework today.

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**You:** He might, but if I were you, (5) \_\_\_\_\_

**Danny:** Maybe you're right, but if he doesn't find the person who did it, it will just make things worse.

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**You:** I don't know. And if it happens again? You (6) \_\_\_\_\_

**Danny:** That's not a bad idea. Do you mind coming with me?

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**You:** No problem, but (7) \_\_\_\_\_

**Danny:** Of course, no problem! Thanks, you're a true friend.

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**You:** (8) \_\_\_\_\_

**4.- Choose only 4 of the following situations. Write what you would say in or about each one to show that you understand the context of the situation. Write between 6 and 20 words. (2 points)**

1. - Your parents get angry because you're texting on your phone during lunch. Apologise and make a promise.
2. - Your dad comments, "Donald Trump is far more dangerous than we thought". Express your agreement/disagreement.
3. - Your parents often check your phone and your computer. Complain about it.
4. - Your best friend has got a big date and he/she has no idea what to wear. Give him/her some advice.
5. - Sales begin on Monday. Your classmate tells you to skip school on Monday to go and buy some clothes. Give a polite refusal.
6. - Your mum tells you, "You don't look very happy. How was school today?"

**5.- Write a composition of about 100-120 words on ONE of the following topics. (3 points)**

- a) - Write an email to Tatch Breica. Give him your opinion about his project and Sahrawi refugee camps.
- b) - Saving the environment should be our responsibility. Give your opinion.

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**OPCIÓN B**

<b>How Australia is eliminating smoking</b>	
1	Australia was the first country in the world to introduce plain packaging for tobacco products and the UK will have done the same by May this year. But will any country copy Australia's plan to keep increasing taxes until a packet of cigarettes costs \$40 (€29)?
5	The smoking bans in Australia started inside –in workplaces, bars and restaurants– and moved out. "Smokers would <u>congregate</u> on footpaths and near public transport creating clouds of smoke," says Mark Driver, Sydney's Park and Recreation Planner. "Now, smoking is prohibited within 10m of a playground, within 4m of the entrance to a public building and bus stops." Smoking is also banned on many beaches, and most Australian states have now <u>banned</u> cigarettes in jail. All states ban smoking in vehicles if children are present. <u>Fines</u> vary, but in some places you may have to pay as much as \$2,000 (€1,448) if you smoke in the wrong place.
15	It's already been five years since Australia became the first place in the world to make plain cigarette packaging <u>compulsory</u> . The boxes are a dark brown colour and graphic health warnings cover most of the front of the box. You see this see-and-never-forget kind of image of throat cancer or what a *stroke looks like with a brain sliced open. The evidence shows that these hard-hitting ads are the most effective.
	But other campaigns have also tried a <u>gentler</u> approach, emphasizing how quickly a

20	<p>smoker's health starts to improve once he or she has quit. It was this approach that was taken by the creators of the app <i>My Quit Buddy</i>, launched in 2012. Offering tips to give up smoking and also a place to share success stories, it has now been downloaded more than 400,000 times in Australia alone.</p> <p>The cumulative effect of these policies is that smoking rates have almost halved since 1980 and there has been a decrease of almost 23% in the rate of hospital admissions caused by smoking. Simone Dennis, an associate professor at Australian National University, says a culture of <u>shame</u> has begun to emerge. (344 words)</p> <p>Glossary: * stroke: apoplexy or attack Adapted from <i>BBC News</i>, 30 January 2017</p>
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**1.- Say whether the following sentences are TRUE or FALSE according to the text. Copy the evidence from the text. No marks will be given without the evidence. (1.5 points)**

- a) The most efficient element in the anti-smoking campaign is to make smokers see the terrible consequences of smoking on the cigarette packaging.
- b) In a lot of states in Australia, you might be imprisoned for smoking cigarettes where it's banned.
- c) About 1500 Euros is what you are usually fined in Australia for smoking.

**2.- Choose ONLY THREE of the following words and write a synonym (=), an opposite (≠), a definition or a sentence (only one of these four) to show that you understand their meaning in the text. Use your own words. (1.5 points)**

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| a) – to congregate (line 5) | d) – compulsory (line 12) |
| b) – to ban (line 8)        | e) – gentle (line 16)     |
| c) – fine (line 9)          | f) – shame (line 22)      |

**3.- Read this conversation and complete your part. Write the numbers (1-8) and complete each sentence on your exam paper. (2 points)**

**You are talking to your friend Sarah about Saturday evening**

**Sarah:** Are you going to the party on Saturday?

**You:** I was thinking about it. (1) \_\_\_\_\_?

**Sarah:** Yeah, I've heard it's going to be a lot of fun.

**You:** Really? And (2) \_\_\_\_\_?

**Sarah:** It starts at 20:00, and I really think you should go.

**You:** Well, (3) \_\_\_\_\_?

**Sarah:** Everybody from the high school.

**You:** (4) \_\_\_\_\_?

**Sarah:** Well, I don't know exactly, but many people we know will be there.

**You:** (5) \_\_\_\_\_?

**Sarah:** This party is going to have a DJ, karaoke, a large foam machine, and of course food and something to drink.

**You:** Wow, (6) \_\_\_\_\_

**Sarah:** Great! You could stay at my house for the night, it's easier.

**You:** Hmm, I don't know (7) \_\_\_\_\_?

**Sarah:** Until eleven. My father will pick us up at eleven.

**You:** At eleven?! (8) \_\_\_\_\_

**Sarah:** Well, my parents are very strict and they never let me stay out past 23.00.

**You:** Then, we'll stay at mine. I'm sure that my parents will allow us to stay at least until midnight and my mother will be happy to pick us up.

**4.- Choose only 4 of the following situations. Write what you would say in or about each one to show that you understand the context of the situation. Write between 6 and 20 words. (2 points)**

1. – Your father complains, “You’re not a careful driver. You have crashed your motorcycle again”. Apologise and make a promise.
2. – Your aunt comments, “You get too much pocket money”. Express your disagreement.
3. – Your friend tells your secrets to her sisters. Complain about it.
4. – Your friend says, “I hate making my bed every day and tidying up my room”. Make a comment.
5. – You are tired of seeing a girl in your classroom laughing at another girl and annoying her. You have already told your teachers but nothing has changed. Talk to your head teacher and suggest actions.
6. – You used your brother/sister’s computer without permission and now it doesn’t work. Apologise and give him/her an explanation.

**5.- Write a composition of about 100-120 words on ONE of the following topics. (3 points)**

- a) – You have received an email from a 25-year old friend. He comments that he wants to stop smoking but he can’t. Write a reply email encouraging him to stop.
- b) – In Spain people still smoke at the beach, at the bus stop and very near the entrance of public buildings. Do you think non-smoking rules should be more strict in Spain?