



National  
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**Spanish  
Listening and Discursive Writing**

TUESDAY, 7 MAY

11:00 AM – 12:20 PM

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**Total marks — 70**

**SECTION 1 — LISTENING — 30 marks**

Attempt ALL questions.

You will hear two items in Spanish. Before you hear each item, you will have one minute to study the questions. You will hear each item twice, with an interval of one minute between playings. You will then have time to answer the questions before hearing the next item. Write your answers clearly, in English, in the answer booklet provided. In the answer booklet you must clearly identify which question you are attempting.

**SECTION 2 — DISCURSIVE WRITING — 40 marks**

Attempt ONE question.

Write your answer clearly, in Spanish, in the answer booklet provided. In the answer booklet you must clearly identify which question number you are attempting.

**You may use a Spanish dictionary.**

**Use blue or black ink.**

Before leaving the examination room you must give your answer booklet to the Invigilator; if you do not, you may lose all the marks for this paper.



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**SECTION 1 — LISTENING — 30 marks****Attempt ALL questions****Item 1**

Listen to the news item about gender equality in the workplace and then answer, in English, the questions below.

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| (a) (i) What does a recently published report say about gender equality?                        | 1 |
| (ii) What negative effects could this have?   | 2 |
| (b) According to experts, which two factors have contributed to the delay in reaching equality? | 2 |
| (c) What is the current situation regarding women in management posts?                          | 2 |
| (d) (i) The speaker talks about unemployment among women. What does she say?                    | 1 |
| (ii) The quality of jobs women find is also an issue. Why is this?                              | 2 |

**Item 2**

Listen to Victoria and Andrés discussing the topic of equality in the workplace and then answer, in English, the questions below.

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| (a) Victoria mentions a newspaper article she has read. What does she say about this?                             | 2 |
| (b) Andrés talks about the barriers women have to overcome when they return from maternity leave. What are these? | 3 |
| (c) Victoria talks about what happened to her friend. What does she say?  | 4 |
| (d) Andrés refers to women in traditionally male-dominated jobs. What question does he ask Victoria?              | 1 |
| (e) Victoria gives examples of when problems can arise. What does she say?  | 3 |
| (f) What does she say about gender in the workplace?  | 1 |
| (g) According to Andrés, why is a change in attitude required?  | 1 |
| (h) (i) In Victoria's opinion, why do women not tend to work in the construction industry?                        | 1 |
| (ii) Who does Andrés believe is to blame for this?  | 3 |
| (i) What final comment does Andrés make about equality in the workplace?  | 1 |

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## **SECTION 2 — DISCURSIVE WRITING— 40 marks**

**Attempt ONE question**

Write an essay in **Spanish**, of about 250–300 words discussing **one** of the following statements.

**3. Society**

El problema más grave para el futuro del medio ambiente es la falta de interés por parte de los jóvenes.

**4. Learning**

Las personas aprenden mejor cuando se les presenta un desafío.

**5. Employability**

En el siglo veintiuno, a las empresas no les importan tanto los títulos universitarios.

**6. Culture**

Leer libros o periódicos ya está pasado de moda.

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