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OPCIÓN A

GLUTTONY IS GOOD FOR YOU

Clichés only turn into clichés because they're true. Otherwise, they just become a strange thing that someone in a bank once said to you. So I believe that this will cheer you up, because I'm assuming that, at precisely this time of year, you're probably quite fat. No, no, don't go and change – you'll be fine going out looking like that.

Scientists in Bristol have discovered that the people enjoying themselves are the fat ones. The people who worry about how they look, and what people think of them – those don't enjoy themselves so much.

Doctors think that thin people make themselves depressed with the effort of keeping thin. It's possible, I suppose, but there are lots of fat people on diets who are making all that effort and failing, and they seem pretty cheerful.

What makes these fat/happy people so surprising is that fat people have a horrible time at the hands of society. This year it was revealed that they were less likely to get jobs. And they still smile. It really seems that there is direct correlation between mass index and good mental health.

QUESTIONS

1. Translate the following paragraph into Spanish (0-4 marks):

What makes these fat/happy people so surprising is that fat people have a horrible time at the hands of society. This year it was revealed that they were less likely to get jobs. And they still smile. It really seems that there is direct correlation between mass index and good mental health.

2. Read the text and, according to it, answer the questions. Use your own words. Answers will be assessed from 0 to 1 each (3 as a whole).


- a) What is the writer assuming?
- b) What happens to people who worry too much about how they look?
- c) Why are the thin people supposed to be depressed?

3. Find a synonym in the text for each of the words below. 0 to 0.25 each (1 as a whole).

- a) found out b) plenty c) jovial d) truly

4. Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given. Answers will be assessed from 0'25 each (2 as a whole).

In fact, the new research _____(be) quite new. It merely _____ (ask) whether people kill themselves. Are they prone _____ depression or anxiety? The answers were all "no." Not only _____ (be) you less _____ (depress) when overweight, it _____ (work) in proportion. The _____ (fat) you get, the less likely you are to _____ (commit) suicide.

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OPCIÓN B

ONE CHILD POLICY

Since 1980, when China began fully carrying out what is commonly known as the “one-child policy,” officials in the provinces have often resorted to cruel measures -forced sterilizations and late-term abortions- to prevent the country's population of 1.3 billion from expanding.

Women with a son are not allowed to bear a second child, whereas mothers whose first child is handicapped or a girl are allowed to have a second baby. A new law allows families to have more children if they are willing to pay exorbitant penalties (\$365), around four times the average annual income.

Starting last March, family-planning officials in Linyi's nine counties traveled to the villages to force women pregnant with illegal children to abort and to sterilize those who already had one child. Many women refused to undergo the procedures, but then relatives of these women were confined and forced to pay for "study sessions" in which they had to admit their "wrong thinking," says Teng Biao, who visited Linyi last month to investigate the coercive campaign. At least 7,000 people were forced to undergo sterilization between March and July 2005. Several villagers were beaten to death while they were under detention for trying to help family members avoid sterilization.

QUESTIONS

1. Translate the following paragraph into Spanish (0-4 marks):

Family-planning officials in Linyi's nine counties traveled to the villages to force women pregnant with illegal children to abort and to sterilize those who already had one child. Many women refused to undergo the procedures. Their relatives were forced to pay for "study sessions," in which they had to admit their “wrong thinking,” says Teng Biao.

2. Read the text and, according to it, answer the questions. Use your own words. Answers will be assessed from 0 to 1 (3 as a whole).

- a) Why did China establish birth control laws?
- b) In the text, what is the meaning of an “illegal child”?
- c) What do family planning officials do?

3. Find a synonym in the text for each of the words below. 0 to 0.25 each answer (1 as a whole).

- a) frequently b) brutal c) growing d) imprisoned

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

Answers will be assessed from 0 to 0.25 each (2 as a whole).

- a) When a woman nine months pregnant was _____ (force) to abort, all she could think about was how she would hire a gang _____ murderers to take revenge on the people _____ killed her baby. “There should _____ (be) no law as inhuman _____ this,” she says.
- b) At a provincial meeting last year, officials were punished for _____ (have) the highest rate of extra births in all the province, according _____ lawyers familiar with the situation.
- c) The career advancement of local leaders often depends on _____ (keep) birth rates low.