

Guía examen de proficiencia en inglés

Programas de pregrado



Estructura del examen



Listening

Comprensión de escucha



Reading

Comprensión de lectura



Writing

Producción escrita



Speaking

Producción oral

El examen se compone de **4 partes** y un total de **100 puntos**, distribuidos en las diferentes secciones.

Explicación de cada sección

Listening

Esta sección del examen se compone de **6 partes** y la sumatoria total es de **25 puntos**.

El tiempo aproximado para la prueba es entre 20 y 30 minutos (El tiempo asignado para esta prueba variará dependiendo de la duración de las grabaciones).

Part 1

Preguntas de opción múltiple, para identificar detalles específicos de cinco conversaciones cortas.

Part 2

Preguntas de emparejamiento, para identificar elecciones hechas en una conversación.

Part 3

Preguntas de opción múltiple, para identificar detalles de una conversación de más de un minuto de duración.

Part 4

Preguntas de verdadero o falso, para identificar la idea principal a partir de publicidad presentada de manera oral.

Part 5

Preguntas de opción múltiple, para identificar datos personales y selección de opciones por parte de un interlocutor.

Part 6

Preguntas de opción múltiple, para identificar detalles a partir de una narración turística.

Recomendaciones

- Lea cuidadosamente los enunciados, las preguntas y respuestas antes de contestar.
- Conteste a medida que escuche la grabación, puesto que la plataforma está configurada para cerrarse una vez finalice el tiempo asignado. Tenga en cuenta que repetir las grabaciones varias veces limitará su tiempo de respuesta en las preguntas subsecuentes.
- Escuche la grabación completa antes de volver a reproducirla, ya que al seleccionar un momento diferente de la grabación volverá a cargar todo el audio y esto puede tomar más tiempo.
- Tenga en cuenta el tiempo total de la prueba definido en las instrucciones. Una vez este finalice la plataforma se cerrará y guardará las respuestas que se seleccionaron hasta el momento del cierre. No se asignará más tiempo fuera del establecido, por lo cual, cada estudiante se hace responsable del uso del mismo durante el transcurso de esta sección del examen.
- Una vez que ingrese, el tiempo empezará a transcurrir. Si sale de la prueba el reloj no se detendrá y esta se cerrará cuando el tiempo finalice. No podrá volver a acceder a la prueba una vez que el tiempo concluya, por tanto, ábrala solo cuando la vaya a responder en su totalidad.

Reading & Use of language

Esta sección del examen se compone de **9 partes** y la sumatoria total es de **50 puntos**.

El tiempo para responder esta sección es **1 hora**.

Part 1

Preguntas de emparejamiento, para identificar avisos o señales comunes con una explicación de las mismas.

Part 2

Preguntas de opción múltiple, para identificar la mejor respuesta a una pregunta conversacional.

Part 3

Identificar las opciones que mejor completen el guion de una conversación.

Part 4

Preguntas de emparejamiento, para identificar el producto o servicio que mejor supla la necesidad de una persona.

Reading & Use of language

Part 5

Preguntas de múltiple respuesta, para identificar información detallada de un texto.

Part 6

Preguntas de múltiple respuesta, para realizar inferencias sobre la temática o los detalles de un texto.

Part 7

Preguntas de múltiple respuesta, para completar un texto para identificar el uso de la lengua.

Part 8

Preguntas de emparejamiento, para identificar vocabulario específico a través de pistas contextuales.

Part 9

Preguntas de múltiple respuesta, para identificar detalles que se hallan en dos textos.

Recomendaciones

- Lea cuidadosamente los enunciados, las preguntas y respuestas antes de contestar.
- Tenga en cuenta el tiempo total de la prueba definido en las instrucciones. Una vez este finalice la plataforma se cerrará y guardará las respuestas que se seleccionaron hasta el momento del cierre. No se asignará más tiempo fuera del establecido, por lo cual, cada estudiante se hace responsable del uso del mismo durante el transcurso de esta sección del examen.
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- Debe resolver primero la prueba de comprensión de escucha (listening) para poder desbloquear esta sección en la plataforma, debe seguir la secuencia para poder avanzar.
- Puede navegar las diferentes partes de la prueba y avanzar en caso de no saber la respuesta, sin embargo, recomendamos contestar a todas las preguntas antes de que finalice el tiempo.

Writing

Esta sección del examen se compone de **2 partes** y la sumatoria total es de **10 puntos**.

El tiempo asignado para esta prueba es **27 minutos**.

Part 1

Escrito de opinión a partir de preguntas orientadoras.

Part 2

Escritura de un correo electrónico o una carta de respuesta a una solicitud.

Recomendaciones

- Tenga en cuenta el tiempo total de la prueba definido en las instrucciones. Una vez este finalice la plataforma se cerrará y guardará las respuestas que se seleccionaron hasta el momento del cierre. No se asignará más tiempo fuera del establecido, por lo cual, cada estudiante se hace responsable del uso del mismo durante el transcurso de esta sección del examen.
- Responda únicamente a lo solicitado. Las respuestas que den argumentos frente a temáticas o que mencionen detalles no requeridos en la instrucción no serán tenidos en cuenta en la puntuación.
- Tenga en cuenta los siguientes aspectos a evaluar: cumplimiento del mínimo de palabras, respuesta en forma de texto (el uso de vocabulario u oraciones aisladas tendrán una puntuación inferior); uso adecuado del vocabulario, tanto en su escritura como de acuerdo al contexto; uso adecuado de la gramática del nivel; construcción adecuada de oraciones y respuesta precisa a lo solicitado.
- Una vez que ingrese, el tiempo empezará a transcurrir. Si sale de la prueba el reloj no se detendrá y esta se cerrará cuando el tiempo finalice. No podrá volver a acceder a la prueba una vez que el tiempo concluya, por tanto, ábrala solo cuando la vaya a responder en su totalidad.

Speaking

Esta sección del examen se compone de **2 partes**, la sumatoria total es de **10 puntos**.

El tiempo asignado para esta prueba es **27 minutos**.

Part 1

Preguntas acerca de información personal, hechos relacionados con rutinas, experiencias y planes a futuro.

Part 2

Descripción de una imagen y respuesta a una pregunta relacionada con la imagen.

Part 3

Formulación de preguntas a partir de una imagen.

Recomendaciones

- Una vez finalice las tres primeras pruebas, se activarán las partes del examen oral. Deberá grabar videos cortos para responder a las preguntas solicitadas.
- Esta parte no tiene tiempo límite, pero la plataforma se cerrará por completo a las 3:00 p.m., por lo cual, tenga en cuenta que no podrá registrarse ninguna respuesta después de la hora establecida de finalización de recepción de respuestas.

Modo de aplicación

Los estudiantes interesados en presentar el examen deben hacer el pago del mismo en la tesorería de la Universidad y registrarse a través del formulario de inscripción, en las fechas correspondientes.

El examen de proficiencia en inglés se aplica a través del Campus Virtual de la Universidad de Boyacá y se administra de manera **presencial** en las salas de informática.

La sección de producción oral se presenta por medio de videos que se suben al campus virtual.

Los resultados se publican entre 2 y 3 semanas después de la fecha de presentación del examen.

Muestra de examen

Listening - Part 1

Usted escuchará cinco conversaciones cortas.

Responda a la pregunta con la opción adecuada, seleccione la respuesta correcta (**A**, **B** o **C**) de acuerdo a la conversación.

Pregunta 1.

What day are they going to the mall?

A. Saturday | **B.** Friday | **C.** Sunday

Pregunta 2.

Where is Elena from?

A. Spain | **B.** Chile | **C.** Colombia

Pregunta 3.

What was the customer's final order?

A. Tea to stay in. | **B.** Cappuccino to take away. |
C. A black coffee to stay in.

Pregunta 4.

What time does the person's train leave?

A. 11:30 a.m. | **B.** 10:30 a.m. | **C.** 11:20 a.m.

Pregunta 5.

What day are they going to the mall?

A. Shopping for clothes. | **B.** Buying some food. |
C. Looking for a new job.

Listening - Part 2

Escuche la siguiente conversación, las personas están hablando acerca de los países de origen de un grupo de estudiantes de intercambio. Responda a la pregunta formulada en el ejercicio, seleccionando una respuesta para cada persona, de acuerdo a la información provista por la grabación.

Pregunta 6.

Where are the people from?

Students' names

Asahi

Sandra

Katerina

Adam

Thomas

Country of origin

Japan

Peru

Czech Republic

France

Germany

Australia

Italy

Listening - Part 3

Responda a las preguntas de esta página con la opción adecuada, seleccione la respuesta correcta (**A**, **B** o **C**) de acuerdo a la conversación. Todas las preguntas de esta página se responderán con la grabación que encontrará a continuación.

Pregunta 7.

What day are they going to the mall?

- A.** She was going to sleep.
- B.** She was thinking of going shopping.
- C.** She wanted to watch some series.

Pregunta 8.

What will Erick and Donna do?

- A.** They will go to watch some series.
- B.** They will prepare some sandwiches.
- C.** They will go out to eat and drink.

Pregunta 9.

Where and what time will they meet?

- A.** At Donna's office on the 3rd floor beside the elevator at a quarter past 6.
- B.** At Donna's house on the fifth floor right next to the elevator at six fifteen.
- C.** At the restaurant, on the 3rd floor next to the elevator at a quarter to six.

Listening - Part 4

Escuche la siguiente publicidad, responda si las afirmaciones que encuentra son verdaderas (**TRUE**) o falsas (**FALSE**), de acuerdo a la información provista por las grabaciones.

Pregunta 10.

- The new TV series is about a love story between two engineers.
A. True | **B.** False
- This action series has millions of people watching it.
A. True | **B.** False

Pregunta 11.

- This shop sells items needed for school students.
A. True | **B.** False
- This shop also sells furniture for offices and factories.
A. True | **B.** False

Listening - Part 5

Usted escuchará una conversación corta.

Seleccione la opción que mejor responda a las preguntas que encontrará a continuación.

Solamente una opción es correcta.

STREET FOOD RESTAURANT

Client's
order

- A. Two hotdogs, one hamburger and one slice of pizza.
- B. One hotdog, two hamburgers and one slice of pizza.
- C. One hotdog, one hamburger and two slices of pizza.
- D. Two hotdogs, two hamburgers and two slices of pizza.

Client's
full name

- A. Joseph Cooper.
- B. Josef Cuper.
- C. Joseph Cuper.
- D. Josef Cooper.

Client's
address

- A. 616 Blue lake street.
- B. 660 Blue lake avenue.
- C. 616 Green lake avenue.
- D. 660 Black lake street.

Listening - Part 6

Escuche la información provista sobre: THE LOUVRE MUSEUM. Seleccione la opción que mejor responda a las preguntas que encontrará a continuación. Solamente una opción es correcta.

In what year did Napoleon reopen the Louvre?

- A. 1793.
- B. 1190.
- C. 1801.
- D. 1893.

How many works does the Louvre exhibit in total?

- A. 8,000 works.
- B. 9,000,000 works.
- C. 47,000 works.
- D. 38,000 works.

What are the opening hours on Wednesdays and Fridays?

- A. From 9 a.m. to 9:45 p.m.
- B. From 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- C. It is closed.
- D. From 8 a.m. to 10:15 p.m.

How much does the ticket cost for adults?

- A. € 69.
- B. € 38.
- C. € 59.
- D. It is free.

What rule is **NOT** mentioned in the recording?

- A. Don't use the flash to take pictures.
- B. Don't touch the art.
- C. Don't run inside the museum.
- D. Don't eat or drink in the building.

Reading - Part 1

Cuál aviso coincide con la información brindada.

Seleccione el anuncio de la parte inferior que mejor coincida con la información brindada, solamente una opción es correcta.

A

Please do not walk on the grass.

B

Animal crossing

C

Please wear a mask

D

No parking from 10 pm to 5 am

E

Slippery when wet

F

Keep the door closed at all times

G

No exit, turn around.

You must be careful. The floor is wet and you can fall down.

You must not leave your car in this place at night, if you leave it the police can take it.

You have to use a special accessory to cover your face to protect yours and other people's health.

You have to be careful when driving in this road, many creatures walk along the street.

You must not step on the green areas of the park, it is forbidden.

Reading- Part 2

Complete las cinco conversaciones con la respuesta más adecuada.

Seleccione la respuesta (A, B o C) que mejor responda a la pregunta u oración que encontrará a continuación.

Solamente una respuesta es correcta.

Where do you like to go on Sundays?

- A. I enjoy going to the park.
- B. Yes, I like ice cream and brownies.
- C. Of course, I liked her a lot.

Are Lucy and Max studying at Laura's house?

- A. No, Laura is not at home today.
- B. Yes, we like her house.
- C. Yes, they are at her house now.

How much did your car cost?

- A. It was only \$2,000.
- B. I liked that car very much.
- C. It will cost less tomorrow.

May I help you?

- A. Yes, I need to find a red jacket.
- B. Jane helped her last time.
- C. It is on May 12th.

Has Rose called you recently?

- A. They called the police a few minutes ago.
- B. John and I have exercised a lot recently.
- C. No, I haven't spoken to her in some time.

Reading - Part 3

Complete la siguiente conversación: What does James say to Mary?

Arrastre la opción que mejor complete la conversación.
Solo una opción es correcta para cada espacio.

James: Hi Mary, how are you?

Mary: I am great thanks!

James: I need a favor. Can I borrow your car this weekend?

Mary: Of course. Why do you need my car?

James: [1]

Mary: I am so sorry to hear that. Where are you going to travel?

James: [2]

Mary: That sounds great, maybe I can go with you, I wanted to go somewhere nice this weekend.

James: [3]

Mary: Yes, it is. I will be ready at 8 pm. When are we going to be back?

James: [4]

Mary: That sounds great. Should I bring my driver's license.

James: [5]

Mary: Ok, I am looking forward to this weekend!

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| A | My parents won't come back until tomorrow. |
| B | I was driving to my house last night. |
| C | Yeah, you can use the car during my meetings so you don't get bored. |
| D | I think my last meeting is on Sunday morning, so we can go back at 4 p.m. |
| E | That is great! I am leaving on Friday evening, is that ok? |
| F | I will drive to Chicago. |
| G | Because mine broke down yesterday and I have a business trip this weekend. |

Reading- Part 4

A continuación, encontrará una serie de personas que buscan un producto o servicio en particular.

Seleccione qué producto o servicio (A-G) de los avisos clasificados (CLASSIFIED ADS) que mejor corresponda a lo que requiere cada persona.

PERSON

CLASSIFIED ADS

Oliver wants to find a financial institution that opens on weekends and it must have online services.	The pet store offers all kinds of toys, beds, crates and food for any pet you have. We have a discount on dog food only for this week, buy one pack and get another on for free.
Emily is looking for a place to stay during her trip to Denver. She needs a cheap and clean room near the airport. She can only spend less than \$200.	Shore bakery makes all kinds of desserts and food for special events. We make all kinds of designs for your food. Our prices range from \$15 to \$28. We are the cheapest bakery in town!
Thomas wants to find a place to walk his dog, he needs a place with open spaces and that is pet-friendly.	Econo supermarket offers the cheapest fruits and vegetables in the city, we also have discounts on different products every week. We are located in the city center behind the State Museum.
Lily wants to find a more economic place to buy her groceries since she needs to save some money, she needs it to be near her house downtown.	Cranberry park is a space created for animal lovers, we have grass and spaces for your animals to drink water. You can take them to socialize and meet new friends, entry only costs \$1.
Sophie is looking for a place to buy a nice birthday cake for her niece, she loves princesses, so she needs a special decoration. She only has \$30 to buy it so she needs to find the best price.	Monolith Hotel offers you the best rooms at an affordable price, we have rooms ranging from \$70 to \$150. We are located 3 blocks away from the airport and 5 blocks away from the stadium.
	National Bank is located downtown, it offers many services, including a webpage where you can do all kinds of transactions 24/7. We are open from Monday to Saturday.

Reading - Part 5

Lea el siguiente texto.

¿Son las siguientes oraciones "Correctas" (Right) o "Incorrectas" (Wrong)? Si no hay suficiente información en el texto para responder "Correcto" (Right) o "Incorrecto" (Wrong), seleccione "no dice" (Doesn't say).

Grumpy Cat, the feline famous on the internet for her permanently "grumpy" facial expression. Her real name was "Tartar Sauce" and was born on April 4th, 2012. Grumpy or Tartar sauce, went viral in 2012 after photographs of her sour expression appeared online. Her image quickly spread as a meme, becoming an American Internet celebrity cat.

Her moody expression was caused by problems in her mouth and feline dwarfism, which made her have short legs and tail, flat face and bubble eyes.

After her debut in 2012, Grumpy Cat made many media appearances and she was the image for cat food brands. Grumpy Cat travelled the world making television appearances and in 2014 even starred in her own Christmas film. This famous cat was often accompanied by her owner, Tabatha Bundesen from Arizona, who said that her cat "helped millions of people smile".

Tartar Sauce died at her home in the arms of her owner Tabatha due to complications from a urinary tract infection on May 14, 2019, at age 7. Her death was announced on May 17, 2019, on social media and many people around the world felt sad. Tributes were posted worldwide.

Grumpy Cat had 8.3 million total likes on Facebook, 2.6 million followers on Instagram, 1.5 million followers on Twitter and 283,000 subscribers on YouTube. Hardly, the world will have a real cat as famous as "Grumpy cat".

Glossary

Grumpy: Gruñón

Spread: Difundirse

Dwarfism: Enanismo

Brands: Marcas

Worldwide: A nivel mundial.

Reading- Part 5

In the same year Grumpy cat was born, she became a celebrity.

a. Right

b. Wrong

c. Doesn't say

Tabatha Bundesen's brother took the photo which made the cat famous.

a. Right

b. Wrong

c. Doesn't say

Grumpy Cat died because she was born with dwarfism.

a. Right

b. Wrong

c. Doesn't say

Grumpy Cat's death was announced three days later on social media.

a. Right

b. Wrong

c. Doesn't say

Celebrities around the world posted a message in Grumpy cat's honor.

a. Right

b. Wrong

c. Doesn't say

Reading - Part 6

Lea el siguiente texto.

Seleccione la opción (A, B o C) que mejor responda a las afirmaciones o preguntas de acuerdo a la información provista por el texto.

How to Be Happy

Behavioral scientists have spent a lot of time studying what makes us happy and what doesn't. We know happiness can give us health and longevity, but happiness isn't something that just happens to you. Everyone has the power to make small changes in their behavior, their surroundings and their relationships that can help make everyone have a happier life. Happiness often comes from inside. We must learn how to manage negative thoughts and face every day with optimism.

All humans have a tendency to remember more bad experiences than positive ones. But that means we have to work a little harder to train our brain to dominate negative thoughts. Here's how:

First, don't try to stop negative thoughts, because it only makes you think about it more. Second, treat yourself like a friend, giving yourself good advice and try to apply it to you. Third, challenge your negative thoughts; negative thinking happens to all of us, but if we recognize it and challenge that thinking, we are taking a big step toward a happier life.

Fourth, control your breath; studies have found, for example, that breathing practices can help reduce symptoms associated with anxiety, insomnia, post-traumatic stress disorder, depression and attention deficit disorder. Lastly, practice optimism, it doesn't mean ignoring the reality of difficult situations. An optimist would see the challenge in a more hopeful way, like a chance to learn and keep moving on.

Glossary

Behaviour: Comportamiento
Surroundings: Entorno
Manage: Manejar

Hopeful: Optimista
Longevity: Longevidad
To face: Enfrentar

Reading - Part 6

What is the main idea of the text?

- A. Provide the main causes for stress in people's lives.
- B. Provide some tips to have a happy life.
- C. Provide examples of how to solve everyday problems.

According to the text

- A. We can be happier if we change the way we think, our environment and even our friends.
- B. We can be happier if we ignore our problems.
- C. We can be happier if we have health, wealth and longevity.

What does the text say about breathing?

- A. Behavioral scientists have spent a lot of time studying breathing techniques.
- B. Breathing practices can be associated to anxiety, insomnia, stress and depression.
- C. Breathing can help us to calm down, to sleep better and even to be more focused.

According to the text:

- A. An optimistic is a person who constantly learns.
- B. An optimistic person can take the best things from troubles.
- C. An optimistic often sees the reality in order to avoid difficult situations.

What is one of the main lessons of the article?

- A. We don't need to give importance to the small things.
- B. We get happiness following the steps given
- C. We are responsible of our own happiness.

Reading - Part 7

A continuación, encontrará una serie de oraciones.

Seleccione la palabra de la lista que mejor complete cada descripción.

Solo una respuesta es correcta.

I really enjoy playing [1] _____, this is a game in which two teams of eleven people kick a ball and try to score goals, I heard it is the most popular game in the world.

Last night, I had the best [2] _____ game of my life, if you don't know the game, I can tell you that two teams try to win points by throwing a ball through a high net.

Jake needs to buy a [3] _____ because he needs to keep his medicines and his reading lamp beside his bed and he doesn't want to keep them on the floor.

You can find a [4] _____ in most of the living rooms across the globe, this is a piece of furniture that is comfortable and many people can sit on it.

It started raining and I don't want to get wet, so I need something to cover myself from the water. I think I left my [5] _____ in my room.

Golf
Umbrella

Soccer
Sofa

Refrigerator
Basketball

Ring
Night table

Reading - Part 8

Lea los siguientes textos.

Complete los espacios con la información requerida en el FORMULARIO DE REPORTE DE EQUIPAJE. (LUGGAGE REPORT FORM).



Heron Airline

Travel information for this month

Date	Leaves from:	Arrives to	Flight number
March 10 th	Chicago 7:00	Dallas 11:00	A514
April 14 th	Chicago 9:45	Berlin 10:05	C1423
April 21 st	Berlin 2:15	Chicago 6:25	F2327
May 26 th	Dallas 8:00	Chicago 12:00	H3249

Luggage Cost

1 Bag	\$25
2 Bags	\$50
3 Bags	\$75
4 or more bags	\$80 per bag

Visit our offices to talk to our consultants:

- Downtown Chicago: 1118 Randolph Street
- Northeast Chicago: 3513 White Pine Lane
- Downtown Dallas: 2452 Camel Back Road

Come, fly with us!

Heron airline

Chicago Airport

April 23rd, 2022

Dear sir or madam,

Two days ago, I traveled with your airline. When I got a pair of bags back at the airport they were broken and some of the objects that I carried were damaged. My clothes and shoes were dirty and they had paint on them; but fortunately, my watches and documents are in perfect condition.

I need the luggage cost money back so I can replace the damaged items. I will visit your offices located near the center in Chicago so I can get my money back.

Sincerely,

William Lewis

Luggage Report Form

Date of the trip:	A. April 21st B. March 10th	C. April 23rd D. May 26th
Flight number:	A. C1423 B. A514	C. F2327 D. H3249
Luggage cost:	A. \$25 B. \$50	C. \$75 D. \$80
Damaged objects:	A. Clothes & shoes B. Watches & documents	C. Clothes & watches D. Shoes & documents
Office address visited:	A. 1118 Randolph Street B. 3513 White Pine Lane	C. 2452 Camel Back Road

Writing - Part 1

Responda la pregunta del enunciado por medio de un texto corto, escriba un mínimo de 35 palabras.

Seleccione la respuesta más adecuada de acuerdo a lo solicitado.

- What types of music do you like/dislike?
- What music is popular in your country right now?

Writing - Part 2

Responda a la siguiente carta de acuerdo a lo solicitado, escriba un mínimo de 40 palabras.

Dear friend,

I need your help, as you know my nephew's birthday is in three weeks, and I need some help to plan the party, could you tell me: What kind of party does a kid like? What present should I give to a 6-year-old kid? and, Where is the best place to have the party?

Thanks for your help.

Sincerely,

Richard Taylor

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