

INSTRUCCIONES A) DURACIÓN: UNA HORA Y TREINTA MINUTOS.
B) NO SE PUEDE USAR DICCIONARIO.
C) LA PUNTUACIÓN DE LAS PREGUNTAS ESTÁ INDICADA EN LAS MISMAS.

The high price of low-cost airlines

Suggested answers

A * COMPREHENSION

(4 points)

ANSWER QUESTIONS 1-2 ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION GIVEN IN THE TEXT. **USE YOUR OWN WORDS.**

(1 point per answer)

- 1 Why are low-cost airlines so dangerous for the environment?
They have expanded the market, there are many more flights and the aeroplane is the transport that has the worst damaging ecological effect.
- 2 Can travellers radically solve the environmental problem? Why?
No, because only a minority will contribute with money and that does not represent an effective alternative to a political solution.

ARE THESE STATEMENTS **TRUE OR FALSE? JUSTIFY** YOUR ANSWERS WITH THE PRECISE WORDS OR PHRASES FROM THE TEXT. (0.5 points per answer)

- 3 In one sense, low-cost airlines are more efficient than conventional ones.
True: "At first sight ... thanks to near-full capacity usage". (Lines 5-6)
- 4 Many people can now afford short pleasure trips thanks to low-cost airlines.
True: "A two-day shopping trip ... would remain a luxury ... without these carriers". (Lines 7-9)
- 5 It is up to travellers to stop flying so frequently.
True: "It is still the traveller's individual responsibility to resist frequent flying". (Line 10)
- 6 EU states have already decided to put a limit on low-cost flights.
False: "The coming months will show if EU states ... put a stop to cheap flights". (Lines 14-15)

B * USE OF ENGLISH

(3 points)

- 7 **FIND** IN THE TEXT **THE WORD** WHICH HAS THE FOLLOWING DEFINITION: (0.25 points)
"the action of taking the first step doing something" (NOUN).
Initiative.
- 8 **COMPLETE** THE SERIES WITH **ANOTHER WORD** OF THE SAME **SEMANTIC GROUP**: Damage / Harm / Injure. (0.25 points)
Hurt.
- 9 **FIND** IN THE TEXT A SYNONYM FOR "duty" (NOUN). (0.25 points)
Responsibility. (Line 10)
- 10 **WHICH WORD** IS NOT AN ADJECTIVE? Credible / Difference / Conventional / Aggressive. (0.25 points)
Difference.
- 11 **TURN** THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO THE **PASSIVE VOICE**: "They never gave me instructions". (0.5 points)
I was never given instructions / Instructions were never given (to me).
- 12 **REWRITE** THE SENTENCE **WITHOUT CHANGING** ITS MEANING. **BEGIN** AS INDICATED: (0.5 points)
"The ticket was too expensive for him to pay". ☒ "The ticket was not ...".
The ticket was not cheap enough for him to pay.
- 13 **FILL IN** THE GAPS WITH A CORRECT FORM OF THE VERB IN BRACKETS: (0.5 points)
"If he (BRING) his passport, he would not have had trouble at the airport".
Had brought.
- 14 **GIVE** A QUESTION FOR THE **UNDERLINED** WORDS: (0.5 points)
"Peter lost his wife's luggage at the airport two days ago".
Whose luggage did Peter lose at the airport two days ago?