



PROVA D'ACCÉS A GRAU SUPERIOR

Convocatòria de 2024

VERSIÓ CATALANA - NOA

INSTRUCCIONS DE LA PROVA

- Disposau d'**1 hora** per fer la prova.
- L'examen s'ha de presentar escrit **amb tinta blava o negra**, no a llapis.
- **No** es poden usar **telèfons mòbils** ni **aparells electrònics**.
- **No** es pot entrar a l'examen amb **texts o documents escrits**.

DADES PERSONALS DE L'ALUMNE/A

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Bona sort!

Indian woman, 104, aces test after learning to read and write

A 104-year-old from India's Kerala state has become one of the world's oldest students after passing a basic literacy test. Kuttiyamma Konthi scored 89 out of 100 in the Kerala State Literacy Mission test, which is equivalent to primary level education, on November 10th. Kerala's Minister of Education congratulated her on Twitter, by saying: "104-year-old Kuttiyamma from Kottayam has scored 89/100 in the Kerala State Literacy Mission test. Age is no barrier to enter the world of knowledge."

More than 500 people did the test, with Kuttiyamma being the oldest. She took a three-hour reading, writing, and arithmetic exam in the regional Malayalam language. The centenarian confidently answered all of the questions and even sang a whole song in response to a question that required her to sing four lines of any poem.

Kuttiyamma, a mother of five who also has one grandson, did not attend school and married at the age of 16. Although she could read some short words, she could not write. She enrolled in the literacy programme last year and was assigned a teacher who gave her regular lessons at her home to prepare her for the exam. Her teacher said: "She is a very sharp woman. It was very easy for me to teach her. I gave her two-hour classes every evening at her home. She was always excited for the classes. At first, she could only read small words but now she can easily read entire paragraphs. She is overjoyed after the results."

Kuttiyamma can now write letters and is hoping to continue her studies. However, she won't be the oldest person studying in India. In 2020, Bhageerathi Amma, 105, became the oldest student in India after passing the primary-level test.

(Text adapted from Taniya Dutta, The National, Nov 16th, 2021)

Now answer these questions:

1. What is the main idea of the text? (1 point. Only one option is correct)

- a) Age can be a problem for those who want to study in India.
- b) Kuttiyamma is not the oldest student in India.
- c) It is never too late to learn how to read and write in India.

2. **According to the text, say whether the following statements are true or false. You can copy the evidence from the text or you can use your own words. (1 point: 0.5 for each correct answer)**

a) The Kerala State Literacy Mission test is only one hour long.

b) Kuttijamma received daily lessons to prepare for her test.

3. **Based on the information in the text, answer the following question using your own words. (1 point)**

What is the Kerala State Literacy Mission test?

4. **Vocabulary. Find a word or expression in the text that means the same as the following: (1 point: 0.25 for each correct answer)**

a) pupils:

b) complete:

c) clever:

d) carry on with:

5. **Grammar. Answer the following questions.**

a) Choose the correct option: (1 point: 0.5 for each correct answer)

- The school **had already closed / already closed** by the time we arrived.
- The teacher told Tom to listen while he **was speaking / had spoken**.

b) Change the following sentences from direct to reported speech. (1 point: 0.5 for each correct answer)

- The teacher said: "It was very easy for me to teach Kuttiyamma."
- The Minister asked: "What score did Kuttiyamma get?"

c) Complete these sentences with an appropriate relative pronoun. (1 point: 0.5 for each correct answer)

- What is the name of the student got the highest score at the test?
- The school students can learn a foreign language is now open for registration.

6. Writing. (3 points)

Your friend Tony is 37 years old and is thinking about studying something. Write him an informal email giving him some advice and encouragement. Explain the advantages and disadvantages of studying as an adult, but focus on the benefits of studying. Write around 125 words.