Instrucciones:

- Lee atentamente las preguntas antes de contestar.
- La puntuación máxima de cada pregunta está indicada en cada enunciado.
- Revisa cuidadosamente la prueba antes de entregarla.

I. COMPRENSIÓN DE UN TEXTO:

SHERLOCK HOLMES RETURNS

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle killed off Sherlock Holmes because he spent too much time writing the stories. Now, 80 years after the author's death, Britain's most famous detective is being brought back to life with a new novel by Anthony Horowitz.

The character of Sherlock Holmes was originally created by the Scottish writer Arthur Conan Doyle, who wrote four novels and more than 50 short stories about Holmes. After his death, his son Adrian wrote several stories about the famous Victorian detective, but critics say he was never that popular.

But it's the first time that the Arthur Conan Doyle Society has officially asked an author to write a new novel. His name is Anthony Horowitz and is best known for his Alex Rider children's series. So was he worried by the challenge?

Anthony Horowitz:

"Well obviously, I was worried to a certain extent and you are dealing with probably the most iconic detective in the whole history of literature. And the one thing I didn't want to do was to disappoint those really devout fans, the sort of Sherlock Holmes Society and people who love these books.

But to be honest with you, I actually found it fairly easy to write because I have loved those books since I was 16 years old, I've read them two or three times during the course of my lifetime - in fact, my whole life as a writer of crime fiction myself was, to a certain extent, inspired by Doyle and I find the book not so scary as I thought it might be."

Anthony Horowitz says he's a devoted fan and aims to produce a first rate mystery for a modern audience.

Sunita Nahar, BBC News

1. Contesta las preguntas con la información del texto. (2 puntos)

A. What can you say about Sir Arthur Conan Doyle?

B. Does Anthony Horowitz like Sherlock Holmes adventures?

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2. De acuerdo con el texto, ¿si las siguientes afirmaciones son verdaderas (V) o falsas (F)? (2 puntos)

- Sir Arthur Conan Doyle was 80 when he died.
- Anthony Horowitz writes books for boys and girls.
- Anthony Horowitz finds very easy to write a Sherlock Holmes story.
- Nobody wants Anthony Horowitz to write about Holmes.

II. GRAMÁTICA Y VOCABULARIO

3. Responde a las siguientes cuestiones: (3 puntos)

A. Find in the text the opposite for: “HATE”:

B. Write the comparative of POPULAR:

C. Write the interrogative for the underlined words.
   “His son Adrian wrote several stories about the famous Victorian detective”

D. Write the negative of the following sentence.
   I’ve read them two or three times during the course of my lifetime.

E. Link the two sentences to form a relative clause.
   Aloysius lives in London. He has been in Madrid twice.

F. Complete the following sentence to make a conditional
   I will read all Sherlock Holmes books

III. REDACCIÓN DE UN TEXTO

4. Escribe un texto de entre 60 y 80 palabras sobre uno de los siguientes temas: (3 puntos)

A. What do you think about detective stories?

B. Write about the last book you have read.