

<b>PRUEBA ACCESO A CICLOS FORMATIVOS DE GRADO SUPERIOR</b>	Septiembre 2012 PARTE COMÚN: INGLÉS
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DATOS DEL ASPIRANTE		CALIFICACIÓN PRUEBA
Apellidos:		Nombre:
D.N.I. o Pasaporte:	Fecha de nacimiento:	/ /

**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**

Jane Austen was born on 16th December 1775 at Steventon rectory. After a few months at home, her mother placed her with Elizabeth Littlewood, a woman living nearby. Elizabeth nursed and raised Austen for a year or eighteen months. In 1783, according to family tradition, Jane and her sister Cassandra went to Oxford to be educated by Mrs. Ann Cawley and they moved with her to Southampton later in the year. Both girls caught typhus and Jane nearly died. Austen was subsequently educated at home, until leaving for *boarding school* with her sister Cassandra early in 1785. The school curriculum probably included some French, spelling, needlework, dancing and music and, perhaps, drama. By December 1786, Jane and Cassandra had returned home because the Austens could not afford to send both of their daughters to school. After returning from school in 1786, Austen "never again lived anywhere beyond the bounds of her immediate family environment", stated one of her biographer.

Austen acquired the rest of her education by reading books, guided by her father, George, and her brothers James and Henry. George Austen apparently gave his daughters *unfettered* access to his large and varied library, was tolerant of Austen's experiments in writing, and provided both sisters with expensive paper and other materials for their writing and drawing. According to Park Honan, a biographer of Jane Austen, life in the Austen home was lived in "an open, amused, easy intellectual atmosphere".

Early in 1816, Jane Austen began to feel unwell. She ignored her illness at first and continued to work and to participate in the usual round of family activities. By the middle of that year, her decline was obvious to Austen and to her family, and Austen's physical condition began a long, slow, and irregular deterioration culminating in her death the following year.

After Austen's death, Cassandra and Henry Austen arranged with Murray for the publication of *Persuasion* and *Northanger Abbey* as a set in December 1817. Henry Austen contributed a Biographical Note which for the first time identified his sister as the author of the novels.

*Boarding school: internado*

*unfettered: sin cadenas, sin grilletes.*

Adapted from [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jane\\_austen](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jane_austen)

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

**A.** Why was Jane Austen educated at home until she left for boading school?

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**B.** Why did Park Honan said that life in the Austen home was lived in "an open, amused, easy intellectual atmosphere"?

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