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.

A. COMPRENSIÓN DE UN TEXTO. (4 puntos)

Record number of flowers bloom.

Botanists in the U.K. are amazed at how many flowers are in bloom this winter. They said that in normal years, between 20 and 30 species of flowers and plants are open. However, on New Year’s Day, scientists found 368 different species in bloom. Scientists believe the record number of flowers in bloom is because of climate change. Last year was the warmest year Britain has ever had. Botanist Dr Tim Rich told the BBC about his surprise at the number of flowers he saw at the start of this year. He said: “Fifty years ago, people looking for plants in flower at the start of the year found 20 species. This year the total has amazed us. We are stunned.” He said some flowers were in bloom five months early’.

Doctor Rich explained how the changing weather was affecting flowers that are usually killed by the cold in December. He said: "We are now in our fourth mild winter. Normally flowers get frosted off by Christmas but this year it hasn’t happened." He added: "We thought that the snow and hard frosts before Christmas would have finished most flowering... but it seems not to be the case." The most common plants in flower were daisies and dandelions. Britain’s weather agency, the Meteorological Office, described the climate for last year. It said: "All months except August were warmer than average, and this was the warmest year on record for the UK. It was also wetter than average for many locations."

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1. Di si las siguientes oraciones son verdaderas (V) o falsas (F). (2 puntos; 0,5 por apartado)
   [ ] Scientists say climate change is not the reason for the flowers opening.
   [ ] The botanists said the frost usually finished most flowering before Xmas.
   [ ] The most common flowers in bloom were daisies and dandelions.
   [ ] August was warmer than average last year in the U.K.

2. Responde las siguientes preguntas con la información que te proporciona el texto. (2 puntos; 1 por apartado)

A. How many different species did scientists find open?
B. What did scientists say was the reason for the flowers opening?

B. GRAMÁTICA Y VOCABULARIO (3 puntos)

3. Responde a las siguientes cuestiones. (3 puntos; 0,75 por apartado)
   A. Find in the text the synonym for "PLACES":
   
   B. Write a word from the text that matches the following definition: "A beginning of an action":
   
   C. Write the following sentence in its singular form: "They say that in normal years, some flowers are open."
   
   D. Make the question for the underlined part of the sentence: "The most common plants in flower were daisies and dandelions":

   C. REDACCIÓN DE UN TEXTO. (3 puntos)

4. Escribe un texto de entre 40 y 60 palabras sobre uno de los siguientes temas.
   • Do you prefer living in the country or in a city? Explain why.
   • Do you like plants? Why? Have you got any?