ROMANCE LANGUAGE

Romance formed in Internet chat rooms is deeper, better, more satisfactory and probably last longer than sexual relations made by older methods.

On the Internet, people are evidently less reserved than in face-to-face life. They reveal their intimate emotions in cyberspace, leaving their mundane facts about their height, appearance, future plans, bank balances, background, tastes and mothers for later. In old fashion courting, the reverse process happened. Boring physical and social facts were established first. Later, possibly, came feelings and declarations.

The process of engaging with the other sex has always found a way to use the latest technology. In the Garden of Eden they used an apple as a message of love. Caveman invented the club as dating agency. In Victorian times the ballroom was one of the few respectable places where the sexes could introduce themselves to each other. The telephone has been a disappointment to romance. Too much waiting for it to ring. Too many calls from the wrong person.

club: estaca, porra

1. Are the following sentences TRUE or FALSE? Write the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only True or False. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)
   a) In the past relations between the sexes were based on physical qualities.
   b) In the XIX century men and women met in dancing rooms.

2. In your own ideas and based on the ideas from the text, answer the following questions. Be careful with the grammar. (Puntuación máxima: 6 puntos)
   a) How do people behave in Internet chat rooms?
   b) Choose three ways of starting the relationship between the sexes before Internet and explain them.

3. Grammar. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)
   Put the words in brackets in its correct form, when given.
   a) ……… (inform) yesterday that sixty couples ……….. (form) in Internet last year.
   b) The love letters …… Dorothy Osborne provide an intimate picture of the life, manners and ……. (read) habits of the 17th century.