

 Universidad Autónoma de Madrid	UNIVERSIDADES PÚBLICAS DE LA COMUNIDAD DE MADRID PRUEBA DE ACCESO A LA UNIVERSIDAD Curso 2024-2025 MATERIA: INGLÉS	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>INSTRUCCIONES GENERALES Y CALIFICACIÓN</u></p> <p>Después de leer atentamente el texto y las cuestiones, responda EN INGLÉS a las cinco preguntas.</p> <p>Las preguntas 1, 4 y 5 ofrecen optatividad: la pregunta 1 presenta 3 cuestiones para elegir 2, la pregunta 4 presenta 6 oraciones para elegir 4 y la pregunta 5 ofrece 2 opciones para elegir solo 1. En aquellos casos en los que se conteste a más opciones de las pedidas, se corregirán solo aquellas que estén en primer lugar, descartando el resto.</p> <p>TIEMPO Y CALIFICACIÓN: 90 minutos. Las preguntas 1, 2 y 4 se calificarán sobre 2 puntos cada una, la pregunta 3 sobre 1 punto y la pregunta 5 sobre 3 puntos.</p>		

Wildlife Experiences and Tourism

For nearly a century, we have celebrated World Animal Day. Launched in 1925, the annual event on 4 October is designed to raise awareness of animal rights issues and help improve the treatment and wellbeing of wildlife. Today, the international effort includes more than 90 ambassadors in 70 countries. In recent decades, travel has increasingly played a key role in wildlife conservation.

All over the world, people have often wanted to come face to face with some of the planet's most remarkable creatures. According to a UN report, more than one million plant and animal species are now threatened with extinction. In many places, unregulated development and climate change are a growing risk to these animals' continued existence. Another issue that seems to be on the rise is careless encounters with humans. The last few years have been filled with tales of tourists interacting with wildlife in ways that are both dangerous for them and for the animals in question.

However, for every irresponsible animal interaction we read about, there are now countless guides, local guardians and responsible eco-tourism companies showing people how they can experience respectful wildlife encounters while also contributing to their conservation. More and more, we are finding remarkable wildlife experiences where respectful travellers are welcome.

Axolotls are a salamander species found in the canals and waterways of Mexico City that always appear to be smiling. Scientists are particularly interested in the species because of its rare ability to regenerate limbs, eyes and even organs. However, it's a race against time as the native habitat of the tiny amphibians increasingly disappears or is polluted by development. Because axolotls are so endangered, the best place to catch a glimpse of them is in local zoos. We can find another example in El Vizcaíno, a protected whale sanctuary in Mexico where grey whales are known to regularly and voluntarily approach fishing boats out of curiosity, resulting in new whale-watching tours where the whales are the ones doing the viewing. These unique interactions are helping to stimulate the conservation and protection of their habitat, as well as providing a safe way for visitors to interact with these majestic gentle giants. These are just a couple of examples that prove that respectful tourism is possible.

Adapted from Lynn Brown's "10 Remarkable Wildlife Experiences around the World." *BBC*, 4 Oct. 2024.
 <<https://www.bbc.com/travel/article/20241003-world-animal-day-10-remarkable-wildlife-experiences-around-the-world>>

QUESTIONS

1.- Indicate whether TWO of the following statements are True, False or the information is Not Given in the text (T/F/NG). In true and false cases, copy the complete sentence that contains the evidence which justifies your answer. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE.

- a) Nowadays, many places in the world have welcomed the idea of protecting wildlife.
 - b) Getting closer to wild animals has never attracted the general public.
 - c) During the whale-watching tours, visitors are given the opportunity to feed the whales.
- (Puntuación máxima: **2 puntos**)

2.- In your own words and based on the ideas in the text, answer the following questions. Do not copy from the text.

- a) Explain two reasons why animal species are endangered.
 - b) What is so unusual about axolotls?
- (Puntuación máxima: **2 puntos**)

3.- Find the words in the text that mean:

- a) vital (paragraph 1)
 - b) numerous (paragraph 3)
 - c) small (paragraph 4)
 - d) encourage (paragraph 4)
- (Puntuación máxima: **1 punto**)

4.- Answer FOUR questions (from a to f) of your choice.

Write a new sentence that has the same meaning as the one given. Use the word or expression in brackets. Do not change the word(s) given.

- a) I didn't buy the skirt because it was so expensive. (*if*)
- b) Teachers do not allow students to use their phones during class. (*let*)
- c) The rain stopped and then they continued the match. (*once*)
- d) I don't think we need to listen to John because he is usually wrong. (*There is no point*)

Complete the following sentence to report what was said.

- e) "Can you help me move these boxes?"

Molly asked Peter

Rephrase the sentence beginning with the words given.

- f) "Some people say that Chesil Beach in Dorset is the most beautiful in the country."

Chesil Beach in Dorset

(Puntuación máxima: **2 puntos**)

5.- Write between 150 and 200 words on ONE of the following questions.

- a) Should animals be kept in captivity? Justify your answer.
- b) Write a story from the perspective of a pet.

(Puntuación máxima: **3 puntos**)