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# Llengua estrangera **Anglès**

Sèrie 2 - A

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## Part 1: Listening comprehension

### AMERICA'S BEST KNOWN ARCHITECT

In the following conversation you are going to hear some new words. Read and listen to them. Make sure you know what they mean.

windbag: persona que pontifica grace: honorar / honrar flock: congregar

Ready?

Now read the questions on the following page. Read them carefully before listening to the conversation.

[Now listen to the interview.]

## **QUESTIONS**

Choose the best answer according to the recording. Only ONE answer is correct.

[3 points: 0.375 points for each correct answer. Wrong answers will be penalized by deducting 0.125 points. There is no penalty for unanswered questions.]

			Espai per al corrector/a		
			Correcta	Incorrecta	No contestada
1.	Why is Frank Lloyd Wright a famous American?  ☐ His poetry won international prizes.  ☐ His social activism earned him the Nobel Peace  ☐ His designs for buildings are admired by archit  ☐ He advocated the elimination of banks and the	ects everywhere.			
2.	Frank Lloyd Wright wanted people to look to archite them more because  he knew he could build cheaper houses. he wanted to change the type of buildings we li he wanted to make money from consulting. he wanted to become the most famous architect	ve in.			
3.	What did Frank Lloyd Wright want to reform in the  ☐ The educational system.  ☐ The type of farms and agriculture.  ☐ The general way of life.  ☐ The role of government.	· U.S.?			
4.	Frank Lloyd Wright liked buildings that  □ were built in modules so that families could moto another state.  □ were tall, like those in the New York City skylir  □ had lots of windows and which could be seen for the fit into the natural area where they were built.	ne.			
5.	Why did Frank Lloyd Wright not like New York Cit  ☐ He thought the city was over-populated. ☐ He thought the type of buildings there represent view of society. ☐ He thought there was not enough space for his book He thought New Yorkers didn't like him.	nted a money-oriented			
6.	Why is Fallingwater so famous?  ☐ Because it is made entirely from local wood.  ☐ Because it was the first house Wright designed.  ☐ Because it is the largest single family home in P  ☐ Because a stream runs inside the building.	Pennsylvania.			
7.	The text says that in certain circumstances we can "e awe." Which of the following expressions is a synony admiration.  deception. envy. fear.				
8.	According to Mr. Wolf, Frank Lloyd Wright  is an over-rated architect.  deserves his fame.  was a pretty boring person.  spent too much time criticising others.				
		Recompte de les respostes	Correctes	Incorrectes 1	No contestades
		Nota de comprensió oral			

#### Part 2: Reading comprehension

#### **ASSATEAGUE'S WILD HORSES**

Assateague Island is a 60 km long barrier island located on the East Coast of the United States, facing the Atlantic Ocean. The northern two-thirds of the island is in Maryland while the southern third is in Virginia. The Maryland section contains the majority of Assateague Island National Seashore; the Virginia section contains Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge. The island contains numerous marshes, bays and pristine beaches, and is a habitat for migratory birds and a wildlife sanctuary.

Assateague, however, is best known for its **herds** of wild horses. The "wild" horses on Assateague are actually feral animals, meaning that they are descendants of domestic animals that have reverted to a wild state. Horses tough enough to survive the scorching heat, abundant mosquitoes, stormy weather and poor quality food found on this remote, windswept barrier island, which have formed a unique wild horse society.

Local folklore describes the Assateague horses as survivors of a shipwreck off the Virginia coast. While this dramatic tale of struggle and survival is popular, there are no records yet that confirm it. The most plausible explanation is that they are the descendants of horses that were brought to barrier islands like Assateague in the late 17th century by mainland owners to avoid fencing laws and taxation of livestock.

The horses are split into two main herds, one on the Virginia side and one on the Maryland side of Assateague. They are separated by a fence at the Virginia/Maryland State line. These herds have divided themselves into bands of two to twelve animals and each band occupies a home range. The National Park Service manages the Maryland herd. The Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company owns and manages the Virginia herd, which is allowed to graze on Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge through a special use permit issued by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The permit restricts the size of the herd to approximately 150 adult animals in order to protect the other natural resources of the wildlife refuge. It is the Virginia herd which is often referred to as the "Chincoteague" ponies.

Many visitors first learn about the Assateague horses from Marguerite Henry's famous book *Misty of Chincoteague*. The story takes place during a traditional Chincoteague festival called "Pony Penning." On the last Wednesday of July, the Virginia herd of horses is rounded up and made to swim from Assateague Island to nearby Chincoteague Island. On the following day most of the young **foals** are auctioned off. Proceeds from the sale benefit the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Department.

Assateague's horses are beautiful, tough, and wild. They have learned to survive in a harsh environment. Feeding and/or petting them is detrimental to both visitors and horses. Horses can get sick from human food. Those that learn to come up to the road to beg for food are often hit and killed by cars. Visitors are kicked, bitten and knocked down every year as a direct result of getting too close to the wild horses. Treating wild horses like tame animals takes away the wildness that makes them special. The park rangers warn visitors that they must protect their family by respecting the horses: people must give the horses the space they need to be wild.

There are few places in the United States where you can view wild horses. Due to their complex social structure the Assateague horses display a wide range of unique behaviors. Visitors can take advantage of the opportunity to view these horses in a natural habitat. With careful management, the wild horses will continue to thrive on Assateague Island and provide enjoyment to thousands of nature enthusiasts, photographers, and people who just love horses!

Text adapted from an article on NPS.gov and Wikipedia

herd: ramat / manada

foal: cavall de menys d'un any / caballo de menos de un año

## **QUESTIONS**

Choose the best answer according to the text. Only ONE answer is correct.

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1.	The horses we see in Assateague Island are described as "feral". This means that they  ☐ descend from domestic animals that have become wild over the year are domestic animals whose owners have freed them in the island. ☐ were wild horses that now have been domesticated. ☐ have always lived free on this island.				
2.	These horses are unique because they  □ are extremely small. □ are native to the Americas. □ have adapted to very tough living conditions. □ must live in very frigid temperatures.				
3.	How did the horses arrive on the island?  ☐ They have always lived there.  ☐ They migrated naturally from the mainland.  ☐ They were travelling on a ship that sank off the coast.  ☐ They were most probably taken there to avoid paying tax.				
4.	Which of the following sentences is NOT true?  ☐ The National Park Service is in charge of all the horses on the islan ☐ There is a herd of horses in each state. ☐ There's a variable number of horses in each band. ☐ A fence along the state line keeps the herds apart.	ıd.			
5.	The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  ☐ owns the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company.  ☐ issues a permit allowing the horses to feed on its grounds.  ☐ is in charge of the Virginia herd of ponies.  ☐ won't allow ponies to feed in order to protect the wildlife refuge.				
6.	The Pony Penning festival  ☐ is organized by the National Park Service.  ☐ is a local festival in which horses swim to a nearby island to be sold  ☐ was created after Margaret Henry described it in her book.  ☐ takes place in many other places around the US on the same day in J				
7.	The Assateague horses  ☐ usually hit or bite other wild animals that get too near them. ☐ have become accustomed to eating human food. ☐ have adapted to their environment and developed a complex social structure. ☐ are quite tame and never bite humans.	l			
8.	Visitors to Assateague Island  ☐ know that this is the only place in the USA where they can see hore in the wild.  ☐ must treat the horses as wild animals and respect their habitat.  ☐ can feed the wild horses with a special permit.  ☐ almost never see horses because they are extremely rare.	ses			
			Correctes	Incorrectes	No contestades
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#### Part 3: Writing

Choose ONE topic. Your answer should be 125-150 words in length. There is no specific penalty for exceeding 150 words in length. Extra points are not given for exceeding 150 words. [4 points]

- 1. Many towns in Catalonia celebrate local festivals. Write an **article** for a travel magazine in which you explain and describe a local festival or celebration that you know well.
- 2. A national park is a large area of land which is protected by the government because of its natural beauty, plants, or animals, and which the public can usually visit with some restrictions. Have you ever visited a national park? What did you do there? Did you see any wild animals or protected flora? Write a **narrative text** in which you explain your experience there.
- **3.** Governments often create national parks to protect wildlife and encourage conservation. Do you think governments are doing enough to protect animals in their natural habitat? Do you think governments have to take more forceful action to protect animals? Write an **opinion essay**.

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