

**INSTRUCCIONES Y CRITERIOS GENERALES DE CALIFICACIÓN**

1. Lea cuidadosamente el texto y las preguntas.
2. Después de leer el texto y las preguntas, responda a éstas en inglés.
3. Conteste a las preguntas respetando el orden en que están planteadas.

**CALIFICACIÓN:** las preguntas 1, 2 y 4 se calificarán de 0 a 2 puntos cada una. La tercera se calificará de 0 a 1 punto, la quinta pregunta de 0 a 3 puntos.

**TIEMPO:** 60 minutos.

**Karaoke**

A taxi driver in Taiwan is offering free rides in exchange for singing a karaoke song. Mr Tu Ching Liang, 57, is a big fan of driving, karaoke and of listening to people sing. Mr Tu has become famous for the disco lights in his taxi and his offer of free rides. It is easy to spot his yellow taxi. It has a pink neon star on the dashboard and colourful flashing lights inside. People can select a "karaoke" option if they use a taxi-locating app in the capital city of Taiwan. Mr Tu will appear on your smartphone screen. When Mr Tu's taxi arrives, he will give you a microphone and an iPad on which you can go to YouTube and select the song you want to sing. He says people have more bravery to sing at night.

Mr Tu loves his job. He joked: "No one is as lucky as me, walking out the door every day rushing to go to work and not make any money." He added: "I've been driving a taxi for 27 years, giving money as rewards for singing karaoke for eight years, and filming videos for six years. I've filmed over 10,000 videos." He told a reporter from the UK's "Guardian" newspaper that if people do not sing, they do not get a discount or a free ride. Mr Tu uploads his videos on YouTube. Some have been viewed over two million times. He has become a celebrity, saying: "I was on TV shows from 10 different countries. I'm an international influencer." His dream is to have singer Ed Sheeran as a passenger.

**QUESTIONS**

**1. Decide if the following statements are true or false. Write true or false and also copy the statement from the text that supports your decision.**

- a) Mr Tu Ching Liang loves singing in his taxi and offers free rides to clients who are willing to listen to him.
- b) Mr Tu Ching Liang doesn't care if he doesn't earn any money.

**2. Answer the following questions in your own words, basing your answers on ideas from the text.**

- a) How can people recognize Mr Tu's taxi?
- b) What has Mr Tu done to become a celebrity?

**3. Find the words in the text that have the following meaning:**

- a) "A computer program or piece of software designed for a particular purpose that you can download onto a mobile phone or other mobile device".
- b) "A reduction in the usual price".

**4. Look at the verbs in this paragraph. Could you put them into the past tense?**

Mr Tu Ching Liang, 57, is a big fan of driving, karaoke and of listening to people sing. Mr Tu has become famous for the disco lights in his taxi and his offer of free rides. It is easy to spot his yellow taxi. It has a pink neon star on the dashboard and colourful flashing lights inside. People can select a "karaoke" option if they use a taxi-locating app in the capital city of Taiwan.

**5. Write between 80 and 100 words on one of the following topics.**

- a) Do you think that taxi drivers have fallen on hard times because of the coronavirus pandemic?
- b) Which is more important to you, to have a job that pays you well, even if it is deadly boring, or a less-well paid job that you might like?

### **Criterios específicos de corrección.**

**Puntuación máxima de la prueba : 10 puntos.**

**Pregunta 1:** Esta pregunta tiene por objeto comprobar la comprensión general del texto. Se calificará con cero puntos si la respuesta *true / false* no está justificada o si la justificación no es correcta.

**Pregunta 2:** El alumno expresará en inglés una parte concreta de la información transmitida por el texto.

**Pregunta 3:** Esta pregunta permite medir el conocimiento del léxico inglés. Se calificará con medio punto cada palabra correcta.

**Pregunta 4:** Esta pregunta tiene por objeto comprobar los conocimientos morfosintácticos del alumno. Se adjudicará 0,5 puntos a cada transformación gramatical correcta.

**Pregunta 5:** Con esta pregunta se pretende medir la capacidad de expresión escrita del alumno. Se valorará la riqueza léxica, la complejidad de las construcciones gramaticales utilizadas y el buen uso de la lengua. La respuesta que no se ciña al tema que se pide se calificará con cero puntos, independientemente del buen uso de la lengua, si éste existiera.

## ANSWERS

1. Decide if the following statements are true or false. Write true or false and also copy the statement from the text that supports your decision.

- a) Mr Tu Ching Liang loves singing in his taxi and offers free rides to clients who are willing to listen to him. (FALSE) (QUOTATION FROM THE TEXT: "A taxi driver in Taiwan is offering free rides in exchange for singing a karaoke song. Mr Tu Ching Liang, 57, is a big fan of driving, karaoke and of listening to people sing".
- b) Mr Tu Ching Liang doesn't care if he doesn't earn any money. (TRUE) (QUOTATION FROM THE TEXT: No one is as lucky as me, walking out the door every day rushing to go to work and not make any money).

2. Answer the following questions in your own words, basing your answers on ideas from the text. Write brief, grammatically-correct answers.

- a) How can people recognize Mr Tu's taxi? (RESPUESTA LIBRE) (QUOTATIONS FROM THE TEXT: "It has a pink neon star on the dashboard and colourful flashing lights inside.")
- b) What has Mr Tu done to become a celebrity? (RESPUESTA LIBRE) (QUOTATIONS FROM THE TEXT: "Mr Tu uploads his videos on YouTube. Some have been viewed over two million times.").

3. Find the words in the text that have the same meaning:

- a) "A computer program or piece of software designed for a particular purpose that you can download onto a mobile phone or other mobile device". (APP, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph).
- b) "A reduction in the usual price". (DISCOUNT, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph)

4. Look at the verbs in this paragraph. Could you put them into the past tense? (0,5 PUNTOS POR VERBO. LOS VERBOS REPETIDOS CUENTAN COMO UNO SOLO)

Mr Tu Ching Liang, 57, **WAS** a big fan of driving, karaoke and of listening to people sing. Mr Tu **HAD** become famous for the disco lights in his taxi and his offer of free rides. It **WAS** easy to spot his yellow taxi. It **HAD** a pink neon star on the dashboard and colourful flashing lights inside. People **COULD** select a "karaoke" option if they **USED** a taxi-locating app in the capital city of Taiwan.

5. Write between 80 and 100 words on one of the following topics. (RESPUESTA LIBRE)

- a) Do you think that taxi drivers have fallen on hard times because of the coronavirus pandemic?
- b) Which is more important to you, to have a job that pays you well, even if it is deadly boring, or a less-well paid job that you might like?