

INSTRUCCIONES GENERALES Y VALORACIÓN

Estructura de la prueba: La prueba se compone de un texto con preguntas. Lea todo el texto cuidadosamente y proceda a responder en lengua inglesa las preguntas en el cuadernillo de examen.

Puntuación: La calificación máxima total será de 10 puntos, estando indicada en cada pregunta su puntuación parcial.

Tiempo: 60 minutos.

LA PALMA

Santa Cruz de La Palma is a beautiful colonial-style city whose historic quarter, declared a Historic-Artistic Site, has many palaces, colonial-style buildings and houses bearing typical elements of traditional Canary Islands architecture. Santa Cruz is a small but beautiful city, with a maritime flavour. Going for a walk here, by day or by night, is a sensation-filled experience.

It is a place steeped in history. The history of Santa Cruz de La Palma begins at the end of the XV century, when Alonso Fernández de Lugo conquered the island and brought it under the Crown of Castile. From this time, the city began to take on a particular economic strength. This splendid past has left in the historic quarter of Santa Cruz de La Palma a valuable legacy of palaces, colonial buildings and houses showing typical elements of traditional Canary architecture, such as the wooden balconies.

The inhabitants of La Palma, like the rest of the Canary Islanders, are pleasant people, as their culture demonstrates. There are various places of interest to visit on the island, such as Los Llanos, the second most important city on the island; El Paso, well known for its hand produced silk and cigars; Mazo, where you can visit the pre-Hispanic cave of Belmaco, and Fuencaliente, a wine producing area.

La Palma is an authentic natural paradise which offers numerous opportunities for practising hiking. A national park and two natural parks reflect the high ecological value of the island.

1. Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Copy the evidence from the text. Copy complete sentences. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE.

- Santa Cruz de la Palma is a very big city.
- Santa Cruz de la Palma has a very long history.
- People who live in la Palma are friendly.
- You can enjoy outdoor sports in La Palma

(Puntuación máxima 4 puntos)

2. In your own words and based on the ideas in the text, answer the following questions.

- How is the city of Santa Cruz described in the text?
- Apart from Santa Cruz, what else can you visit in La Palma?

(Puntuación máxima 2 puntos)

3. Find the words or phrases in the text that mean:

- starts (paragraph 2)
- town (paragraph 2)
- neighbourhood (paragraph 2)
- several (paragraph 3)
- relevant (paragraph 3)
- genuine (paragraph 4)

(Puntuación máxima 1,5 puntos)

4. Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given.

- If _____ (have) the opportunity, I _____ (travel) to La Palma.
- People _____ travel to La Palma can _____ (visit) la Caldera de Taburiente.
- Do you prefer going to the mountain _____ to the beach?
- I _____ (go) to La Palma 17 years _____. It is one the _____ (amazing) places I have ever seen.
- _____ you do not like trekking very much, you _____ (have) to visit La Cumbrecita.

(Puntuación máxima 2,5 puntos)