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CRITERIOS ESPECÍFICOS DE CORRECCIÓN

OPTION B: AMERICAN LEADERS SHOULD READ THEIR OFFICIAL CLIMATE SCIENCE REPORT KEY

- 1 The US Global Change Research Program has recently released a report on the science of climate change and its causes.
2 Prepared by top scientists, the report gives an overview of the most up to date science: what we know, how we know it, how
3 confident we are, and how likely certain events are to happen if we continue ignoring the effects of climate change.
4 To summarize, our Earth has warmed nearly 1°C since the beginning of the 20th century. Today's Earth is the warmest it has
5 ever been in the history of modern civilization. We are witnessing the heating of the atmosphere, oceans, and the Earth's surface.
6 Glaciers are melting at an alarming rate. Snow cover is decreasing and we are experiencing increased water shortage.
7 The amount of ice that floats on waters in the Arctic has decreased significantly since measurements began. As a result of
8 land ice melting and thermal expansion, sea levels are rising. Astonishingly, half of the total rise has occurred in the last 30 years.
9 Approximately 150 million people around the world live within one meter of current sea level and, even if you live away from the
10 shores, you are not immune to the impacts of climate change either. The report inquires into the increases in extreme weather:
11 heavy rainfall as well as more extreme heatwaves in the United States and in other countries.
12 What will humans do to reduce future climate change? If we take strong actions to reduce greenhouse gases, we may be
13 able to limit global warming. But if we ignore the problem, we will face temperature increases. In fact, the more time we waste,
14 the more expensive the problem will be.

I * COMPREHENSION (4 points)

CHOOSE AND WRITE THE CORRECT OPTION (A, B, C or D). (0.5 points each)

1. The report on climate change...

- (a) has been elaborated by experts. (b) was published long ago.
(c) only investigates its causes. (d) does not predict its effects.

2. Sea levels have risen...

- (a) because of recent heavy rainfalls. (b) especially in the last three decades.
(c) only in the Arctic. (d) at a very slow rate.

ARE THESE STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE? JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH THE PRECISE WORDS OR PHRASES FROM THE TEXT, OR USE YOUR OWN WORDS. (0.5 points each)

3. **The report deals with the consequences of not making any changes.** *TRUE (line 3) "...how likely certain events are to happen if we continue ignoring the effects of climate change."*
4. **Climate change only affects the temperature of the Earth's surface.** *FALSE (line 5) "We are witnessing the heating of the atmosphere, oceans, and the Earth's surface."*
5. **Only people who live by the sea will suffer the consequences of climate change.** *FALSE (lines 9-10) "...even if you live away from the shores, you are not immune to the impacts of climate change either."*
6. **Greenhouse gases have an impact on the Earth's temperature.** *TRUE (lines 12-13) "If we take strong actions to reduce greenhouse gases, we may be able to limit global warming."*
7. **FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)**
7.1. ONE SYNONYM FOR "amazingly" (adverb). *astonishingly (line 8)*
7.2. ONE SYNONYM FOR "present" (adjective). *current (line 9)*
8. **FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)**
8.1. ONE WORD MEANING "something that takes place, especially a significant occurrence." *event(s) (line 3)*
8.2. ONE WORD MEANING "to ask questions in order to investigate or analyze." *inquire(s) (line 10)*

II * USE OF ENGLISH (3 points; 0.5 points each)

9. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH A CORRECT FORM OF THE VERB IN BRACKETS:

- 9.1. "We shouldn't... (buy) a diesel car last year." *have bought* 9.2. "We all play an important part in... (keep) our planet safe." *keeping*

10. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH THE CORRECT WORD:

- 10.1. "It is hard to get rid... (preposition) electronic waste." *of* 10.2. "M. Allen is famous... (preposition) his research on climate." *for*

11. JOIN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES USING A RELATIVE. MAKE CHANGES IF NECESSARY. "The rescue workers gave food and water to people. Their homes had been destroyed by the heavy rain." *The rescue workers gave food and water to people whose homes had been destroyed by the heavy rain.*

12. GIVE A QUESTION FOR THE UNDERLINED WORD: "Tourism has recently become a significant economic activity in Iceland." *What has become a significant economic activity in Iceland recently? / What has recently become a significant economic activity in Iceland?*

13. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO THE PASSIVE VOICE: "The government has introduced taxes on environmental issues." *Taxes on environmental issues have been introduced by the government.*

14. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING (CONDITIONAL) SENTENCE: "Unless we take immediate measures, the ocean..." *will (not) / might / ...*

III * WRITING (3 points)

15. WRITE A COMPOSITION OF APPROXIMATELY 120 WORDS ABOUT THE TOPIC PROPOSED AND FOCUS STRICTLY ON IT:

Do you think we should worry about global warming? Discuss.