



INSTRUCCIONES GENERALES Y VALORACIÓN

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TIEMPO: 90 minutos.

Friends Forever?

Throughout university, the sentence “I’ll add you on Facebook” is a common end to a 4 a.m. walk home with new acquaintances. Then you wake up in the morning to find out they actually have. You cannot refuse because that would be awkward next time you meet them in the bar. However, having too many friends is causing anxiety amongst many young people and, unless they change the way they engage with Facebook post-university, these Facebook friends are likely to see their future wedding, first children and 40th birthday party all online. Perhaps it is the time to cut down on the number of online friends.

One fourth-year student suggested that deleting one person a day is a suitable method to gently reduce your number of Facebook friends. But being deleted on Facebook is offensive. Rarely in real life do we walk up to someone and very publicly say to their face, “we are not friends anymore”, yet that is the comparable act of deleting someone on Facebook. An online action with no real life equivalent.

A popular reason for keeping casual acquaintances from university days is that they could be useful contacts in a future career. Yet, Hannah, a final year business student, also suggested that the combination of personal use and professional image online had become difficult. In fact, coming towards the end of fourth year, many students are concerned with potential employers checking their social media accounts. Therefore they should take deep care of who and what they post online.

QUESTIONS

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

- Many university students enlarge their Facebook contacts with people they casually meet during a night out.
 - There is no way Facebook friends could eventually be of help in your professional life.
- (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.

- Why can deleting Facebook friends be considered offensive?
 - Why should students in the last year of their degree be especially careful with the people they have as Facebook friends?
- (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

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

- people you have met but do not know well (paragraph 1)
 - reduce (paragraph 1)
 - though (paragraph 2)
 - worried about (paragraph 3)
- (Puntuación máxima: 1 punto)

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

- Students _____ have many social contacts over the Internet are at risk of _____ (lose) opportunities when it comes to finding a job.
- As every minute 240,000 pictures _____ (add) to Facebook, career advisers suggest that we _____ (use) social networking wisely.
- Peter asked: “How long _____ (have) a Facebook account?”
Molly answered: “_____ I was 18 and I’m 22 now.”
- Complete the following sentence to report what was said.**
“Do not post these photos on Instagram.”
My mother told me _____

(Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

5.- Write about 100 to 150 words on the following topic.

Should Facebook users make their contact information, photos and friends private? Justify your answer.

(Puntuación máxima: 3 puntos)



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Sunbathing Can Stop You Gaining Weight

Don't waste time at the gym, or cutting down on cheese. Scientists have discovered that the best route to a perfect figure could be to just lie down in the sun. That is, if you are a mouse.

For the study, published recently, researchers gave some mice too much food. While doing so, the mice were exposed to UV light – a simulation of the sun's rays. Not only did this slow down their weight gain, but it also reduced the number of symptoms that in humans are linked to diabetes. When skin is exposed to sunlight it produces vitamin D and nitric oxide. To try out what was causing the effect in mice, the scientists spread nitric oxide onto the skin of some overfed mice, which produced the same result. Other mice were given a vitamin D supplement causing a different effect.

Can we hope the research could transfer to humans? The researchers urged caution. While mice can often be good models for investigating human health, on the particular issue of responding to sun, they are less than ideal. As fur-covered nocturnal animals, mice are not normally exposed to much sunlight. However, one of the scientists said that the research supported previous work showing the benefits of sunlight in humans. He said that, in spite of the bad press the sun often gets, "epidemiology studies prove that sun-seekers live longer than those who live in the shade. We need to remember that skin cancer is not the only disease that can kill us and should perhaps balance our advice on sun exposure".

QUESTIONS

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

- In the experiment the mice were subjected to the effects of sunlight.
- This experiment was the first to show that sun exposure can be good for your health.

(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.

- Mention the effects that exposure to UV light may have on mice.
- What does one of the researchers say about the positive effects of sunlight in humans?

(Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

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

- found out (paragraph 1)
- related (paragraph 2)
- applied (paragraph 2)
- demonstrate (paragraph 3)

(Puntuación máxima: 1 punto)

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

- Sunburn _____ (cause) by overexposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays, _____ can damage your cells.
- Tanning-beds are even worse _____ the sun, so you should use them with care to avoid _____ (expose) to huge levels of ultraviolet rays.
- We must do everything we can not to get _____ (burn) by the sun. Sunscreen is important because it helps to protect skin _____ harmful rays.
- Complete the following sentence to report what was said.**
"Mary, do not expose yourself to the sun so much", said Peter.
Peter told Mary _____

(Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

5.- Write about 100 to 150 words on the following topic.

Where would you go for a healthy holiday? Justify your answer.

(Puntuación máxima: 3 puntos)