

**PRUEBA DE ACCESO Y ADMISIÓN A LA  
UNIVERSIDAD  
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**LENGUA EXTRANJERA  
(Inglés)**

**Instrucciones:** a) Duración: 1 h.30m. b) No se permite el uso de diccionario. c) La puntuación está indicada en las preguntas. d) Se debe realizar una de las dos opciones A o B completa, sin mezclar las respuestas.

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2 **OPTION B:**

**OUR LOVE FOR PETS**

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4 While humans like to think of ourselves as the strongest, smartest species, it's increasingly clear that many of us are simply slaves to our  
5 pets. We may think we own our pets, but it's actually the other way round.

6 The latest evidence of this can be found at Ikea. The Scandinavian company recently launched a range of pet furniture called Lurvig, which  
7 means "hairy" in Swedish. To me, this proves that our obsession with our best friends is getting out of hand. We are spending huge amounts of  
8 money on them. Global sales of pet products in 2016 were \$103.5 billion; a 4.7% increase over 2015, which is an enormous growth rate.

9 Why are we spending so much money on our animal companions? Well, basically because we seem to think pets are people and treat them  
10 as such. A survey conducted in 2015 found that 95% of US pet owners consider their pets part of the family —up from 88% in 2007. And it's not  
11 just Americans; another survey this year claims that 56% of Brits plan to spend more money on Christmas presents for their pets than on gifts  
12 for their human family.

13 Nowhere is the humanisation of pets more clearly reflected than in their diets. Despite the fact that dogs will happily eat anything, their  
14 meals have become a gourmet affair —the ingredients of which tend to say more about the taste of their owners than animal appetites.

15 I could go on talking to you about this, but I'm afraid I've got a gluten-free meal to prepare for my dog's supper tonight, and he doesn't like to  
16 be kept waiting.

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**COMPREHENSION (4 points)**

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

**According to the author...**

23 (a) animals should be treated like humans.

(b) our love for pets has gone a bit too far.

24 (c) pets are treated like slaves by their owners.

(d) Americans spend more than Brits on their pets.

**We treat animals so well because...**

26 (a) they tend to eat everything.

(b) they are smarter than humans.

27 (c) we view them as humans.

(d) we want them to keep fit.

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

**Ikea created a line of furniture for pets many years ago.**

**The number of Americans who see their pets as family members is decreasing.**

**UK citizens have already spent more on presents for their pets than for their relatives.**

**The author is in a hurry to prepare his dog's dinner because he is a very impatient dog.**

FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)

738 ONE SYNONYM FOR "possess" (verb).

739 ONE OPPOSITE FOR "save" (verb).

FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)

841 ONE WORD MEANING "objects in a room required for ornament, sitting or lying."

842 ONE WORD MEANING "the action of selling something."

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

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

9.1. "I enjoy... (feed) my kittens."

9.2. "I don't allow my dog... (come) inside the house."

10. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH THE CORRECT WORD:

10.1. "I am very keen... (preposition) pets."

10.2. "I am aware... (preposition) the disadvantages of having a pet."

11. JOIN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES USING A RELATIVE. MAKE CHANGES IF NECESSARY. "I found the kittens in the street. This is the street."

12. GIVE A QUESTION FOR THE UNDERLINED WORD: "My grandma lived with five cats for almost two years."

13. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO THE PASSIVE VOICE: "Mary is feeding the dog that comes every night."

14. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING (CONDITIONAL) SENTENCE: "Unless you take the dog for a walk, ..."

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**\* WRITING (3 points)**

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

**Advantages and disadvantages of having pets. Discuss.**

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