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LENGUA EXTRANJERA
(Inglés)

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OPTION B: ARE TODAY'S INFLUENCERS LIVING THEIR BEST LIVES?

The question of whether you are living your best life, in which you feel amazing, look amazing, do amazing things and all in a — crucially — photogenic way, has become a modern preoccupation. Facebook and in particular Instagram exist solely so we can demonstrate to our friends that we are living our very best lives.

This fascination has led to the rise of what is definitely a new favourite journalism genre: the daily routine diary. Someone describes every minute of their day so that — it is heavily implied — we can learn from them, because nothing helps you live your best life better than living someone else's. "I wake at 5 am and do some shadow yoga for 45 minutes before drinking a cup of tea made from ginger root, which I make myself in a bowl I bought while trekking in Tibet. I like to drink it while listening to birdsong", is the general tone.

Last month, Business Insider website published the routine diary of a twentysomething Californian executive called Melania Edwards, who turned out to be living such a perfect life that some people doubted either she or her life existed at all. Edwards wakes at 5.30 am to meditate, play tennis, drink green juice and catch up with friends overseas. She perhaps pushed it too far with the description of her evenings, in which she takes a course at Stanford, does yoga and works to help women in Papua New Guinea.

But I did puzzle over who would want to live like her — or any of her fellow daily routine diarists. These people may be living their best lives but they never sound like they are living fun live.

I * COMPREHENSION (4 points)

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

1. **According to the text, living life to the full now basically means…**
   (a) following a low-calorie vegan diet. (b) doing plenty of physical exercise outdoors.
   (c) having many real friends. (d) sharing photos of exciting achievements.
2. **The writer of the article suggests that influencers' daily routine…**
   (a) is an endless source of inspiration. (b) seems quite amusing.
   (c) requires too much self-discipline. (d) is really healthy.

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 article suggests that some social networks' point is exclusively to show off.**
4. **The writer believes that following these diaries can teach us to improve our own life.**
5. **The daily routine of many of these diarists usually include making Tibetan bowls.**
6. **Melania Edward's routine doesn't seem very likely.**
7. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)
   7.1. ONE OPPOSITE FOR **"ordinary"** (adjective).
   7.2. ONE SYNONYM FOR **"hike"** (verb).
8. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)
   8.1. ONE WORD MEANING **"underground part of a plant that draws minerals and water from the soil."**
   8.2. ONE WORD MEANING **"to think for a long time about something because you cannot understand it."**

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. **"Peter denied… (break) the glass."** 9.2. **"The phone rang while I... (watch) the end of my favourite TV series."**
10. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH THE CORRECT OPTION:
   10.1. **"Although John only got a C in the test, everybody agreed he had… his best."** made / done / had / get
   10.2. **"The more you water the plant, the… it will grow."** best / tall / quick / faster
11. GIVE A QUESTION FOR THE UNDERLINED WORDS: **"I went on holiday <u>with a fashion influencer</u>."**
12. USE THE WORDS IN THE BOXES TO MAKE A MEANINGFUL SENTENCE. USE ALL AND ONLY THE WORDS IN THE BOXES WITHOUT CHANGING THEIR FORM.

drink	rather	the	coffee	tea	blogger	than	would

13. THERE ARE TWO MISTAKES IN THIS SENTENCE. FIND THE MISTAKES AND REWRITE THE SENTENCE CORRECTLY: **"When I was in hospital, the nurse asked to me what was my blood type."**

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14. REWRITE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE WITHOUT CHANGING ITS MEANING. BEGIN AS INDICATED: "**The last time Olivia came here was in 2015." Olivia hasn't…**

III * WRITING (3 points)

15. WRITE A COMPOSITION OF APPROXIMATELY 120 WORDS ABOUT THE TOPIC PROPOSED AND FOCUS STRICTLY ON IT:
Advantages and disadvantages of sharing one's life on social media.