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**Spanish
Listening and Discursive Writing**

TUESDAY, 7 MAY

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Candidates should enter their surname, forename(s), date of birth, Scottish candidate number and the name and Level of the subject at the top of their first answer sheet.

Total marks — 70

SECTION 1 — LISTENING — 30 marks

Attempt ALL questions.

You will hear two items in **Spanish**. **Before you hear each item, you will have two minutes to study the questions.** You will hear each item twice, with an interval of two minutes between playings. You will then have time to answer the questions before hearing the next item.

Write your answers clearly, in **English**, on your answer sheet.

SECTION 2 — DISCURSIVE WRITING — 40 marks

Attempt ONE question.

Write your translation clearly, in **Spanish**, on your answer sheet. You must clearly identify the question number you are attempting.

You may use a Spanish dictionary.

An OW in the margin indicates a new question.

SECTION 1 — LISTENING — 30 marks

Attempt ALL questions

Item 1

Listen to the news item about gender equality in the workplace and then answer, in **English**, the questions below.

- (a) (i) What does a recently published report say about gender equality? **[1 mark]**
(ii) What negative effects could this have? **[2 marks]**
- (b) According to experts, which **two** factors have contributed to the delay in reaching equality? **[2 marks]**
- (c) What is the current situation regarding women in management posts? **[2 marks]**
- (d) (i) The speaker talks about unemployment among women. What does she say? **[1 mark]**
(ii) The quality of jobs women find is also an issue. Why is this? **[2 marks]**

Item 2

Listen to Victoria and Andrés discussing the topic of equality in the workplace and then answer, in **English**, the questions below.

- (a) Victoria mentions a newspaper article she has read. What does she say about this? **[2 marks]**
- (b) Andrés talks about the barriers women have to overcome when they return from maternity leave. What are these? **[3 marks]**
- (c) Victoria talks about what happened to her friend. What does she say? **[4 marks]**
- (d) Andrés refers to women in traditionally male-dominated jobs. What question does he ask Victoria? **[1 mark]**
- (e) Victoria gives examples of when problems can arise. What does she say? **[3 marks]**
- (f) What does she say about gender in the workplace? **[1 mark]**
- (g) According to Andrés, why is a change in attitude required? **[1 mark]**
- (h)
 - (i) In Victoria's opinion, why do women not tend to work in the construction industry? **[1 mark]**
 - (ii) Who does Andrés believe is to blame for this? **[3 marks]**
- (i) What final comment does Andrés make about equality in the workplace? **[1 mark]**

SECTION 2 — DISCURSIVE WRITING— 40 marks

Attempt ONE question

Write an essay in **Spanish**, of about 250–300 words discussing **one** of the following statements.

3. Society

El problema más grave para el futuro del medio ambiente es la falta de interés por parte de los jóvenes.

4. Learning

Las personas aprenden mejor cuando se les presenta un desafío.

5. Employability

En el siglo veintiuno, a las empresas no les importan tanto los títulos universitarios.

6. Culture

Leer libros o periódicos ya está pasado de moda.

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