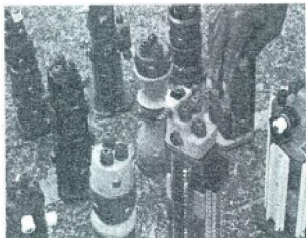


Read the text

**A TRULY COSTA RICAN GAME**

Francisco Delgado Soto, also known as *Tango*, was once a famous soccer player in Costa Rica. In fact, Delgado still has the muscles to prove it. Today, Francisco Delgado spends his time inviting people to play a quick match of *Mache III*, a game he says, he invented several years ago.



When people go to Heredia's Central Park, they can see some people gathering around a large circle drawn with a piece of chalk by Delgado. Those people invited to play this game like telling jokes while they are playing it. This strange game involves a similar tennis ball and a stick. *Mache III* is a truly Costa Rican game that contains some rules of bowling and hockey.

THE BASICS OF THE GAME ARE SIMPLE:

- Two players take turns pushing a tennis ball with a stick towards three wooden cylinders in the center of the chalked-out circle.
- The cylinders have small blocks set up on them, and in order to win the game players have to knock the blocks off the cylinders.

Adapted from the Internet

1) The creator of the game uses a piece of chalk to \_\_\_\_\_.

A) make a circle

B) push a tennis ball

C) write on the cylinders

D) draw two lines to play the game

➤ **Justificación:** Esta es la respuesta correcta, porque en el texto, en el segundo párrafo, menciona que Delgado, el creador del juego, utiliza un trozo de tiza para dibujar un gran círculo.

2) The Delgado's game took some regulations from \_\_\_\_\_.

A) tennis and soccer

B) tennis and hockey

C) soccer and bowling

D) bowling and hockey.

➤ **Justificación:** En el texto, segundo párrafo, se menciona que algunas reglas o regulaciones del juego, Mache III, provienen de los juegos; Bolos y Hockey.

3) When playing Mache III, the players have to \_\_\_\_\_.

A) push a ball with a stick

B) kick the ball with their feet


C) buy three plastic cylinders

D) put pieces of chalk on a stick

- **Justificación:** En este caso, se menciona en el último párrafo que, de uno de los fundamentos básicos del juego, consiste en que dos jugadores empujen una bola (pelota de tenis) con un palo.
- 4) To play the game, the blocks have to be placed \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) on the cylinders**
- B) next to the circle
- C) using some chalk
- D) together with the stick
- **Justificación:** En este caso, la respuesta es sobre los cilindros, porque dentro de los fundamentos básicos del juego, que están en el último párrafo, se menciona que los bloques están instalados dentro de los cilindros, o bien sobre, ya que las demás opciones ni si quiera mencionan cilindros.
- 5) A player wins the game by \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) pulling a tennis ball
- B) playing with a large ball
- C) stacking up the cylinders
- D) removing the blocks from the circles**
- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo, se establece como fundamento básico que, para ganar, el jugador debe sacar (o remover) el bloque de los cilindros.

#### Read the text

**DIVERSITY AMONG ARTWORKS**



The Central Bank Museums took a considerable risk with one of their latest expositions which was the one called *Almost Invisible*. The risk was with respect to the time frame of the show being from March to September. That was a long time to occupy one of the most respected art spaces in San José, not to mention one of the biggest magnets for foreign tourists.

Visitors considered many of the exhibited artworks remarkably modern. One of those works was Cecilia Paredes' piece of art which is called *Dreaming Rose*. This is a large-format photograph which shows a room covered in floral wallpaper. At the same time, people were fascinated with the subtitle: *Innovación, Ruptura, Tránsito*. Visitors concluded that the most extraordinary painting was *Song by the Seashore*, in which two male figures are painted in the flattened and colorful style of Romare Bearden; the image is powerfully Afro-Caribbean in nature.

As a matter of fact, the main purpose of *Almost Invisible* was to show just how diverse Costa Rican artworks are, and how broad their expression can be.

Adapted from the Internet

6) What was the name of the art exhibit in the Central Bank Museums?

A) Transgresión.

**B) Almost Invisible.**

C) Dreaming Rose.

D) Song by the Seashore.

➤ **Justificación:** En el primer párrafo, se menciona que el nombre de la exhibición de arte, que se lleva a cabo en "The Central Bank Museums", es "Almost Invisible".

7) How did people consider many of the artworks? As \_\_\_\_\_.

A) very insignificant

B) the most sanctified

C) the biggest magnets

**D) extraordinarily contemporary**

➤ **Justificación:** En este caso, en el segundo párrafo, dice que los visitantes consideran muchas de las obras de arte de la exhibición notablemente modernas, que es un sinónimo de extraordinariamente contemporáneas.

8) Which piece of art did Cecilia Paredes paint? An \_\_\_\_\_.

A) outstanding floral painting

B) unmodern piece of artwork

C) Afro-Caribbean art called Innovation

**D) extraordinary piece called Dreaming Rose**

➤ **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo, se menciona que una pieza de arte de Cecilia Paredes se llama Dreaming Rose.

9) Which was the most outstanding painting?

A) Dreaming Rose.

B) Almost Invisible.

**C) Song by the Seashore.**

D) Innovation, Ruptura, Transgresión.

➤ **Justificación:** Se menciona, en el segundo párrafo, que los visitantes llegaron a la conclusión de que la pintura más extraordinaria fue Song by the Seashore.

10) What was the main goal of the art exhibit?

To show \_\_\_\_\_ in Costa Rica.

A) a new art space

**B) a variety of artworks**

C) just Afro- Caribbean art

D) a category of floral rooms

➤ **Justificación:** En el último párrafo, dice que el propósito principal de la exhibición fue mostrar lo diversas que son las obras de arte de Costa Rica.

## Read the text

### GOOD APPETITE!

Strange names of Costa Rican dishes can confuse foreigners, yet they may feel satisfied when tasting the specific flavor of traditional or typical food at restaurants where this simple and tasty food is served at low prices. Foreigners should also know that sodas offer home cooking at incredible low prices, too.



Costa Rica's most treasured culinary delight is the *tamal*. For Christmas, *tamal* making is a family tradition. The *tamal* is seasoned cornmeal stuffed with chopped pork, chicken or beef, and chopped vegetables, raisins, prunes or olives. The *tamal* is wrapped in banana leaves and finally boiled.

As it was mentioned above, traditional food is simple and tasty. Beans and rice, vegetables plus chicken, meat or fish are a part of the main meals in Costa Rica. Fresh coriander and garlic add flavor to traditional food, but sometimes people avoid hot spices and sauces. For an extra flavor, some Ticos add a little of hot *chilero* to their food; similarly, some Ticos add *Tabasco*. In fact, both products give a delicious taste to different dishes.

Adapted from Exploring Costa Rica

11) Why are Costa Rican dishes so particular? Because they \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) are made with exuberant spicy food
- B) contain chicken and fish at any time
- C) are simple and have a traditional taste**
- D) have the traditional tabasco flavor all the time

➤ Justificación: En el primer párrafo, se menciona que los platos costarricenses tienen el sabor específico de la comida tradicional y además son simples.

12) What is an example of a representative Costa Rican dish?

- A) A specially sliced meat.
- B) A rapped-cornmeal delight.**
- C) An incredible vegetarian dish.
- D) An uncooked dish containing coriander.

➤ Justificación: En el segundo párrafo, dice que la delicia culinaria más preciada de Costa Rica es el tamal, y en este se sazona la harina de maíz rellena con una serie de ingredientes.

13) Which naturally fresh ingredients make traditional food tasty?

- A) Hot sauces.
- B) Tabasco and olives.
- C) Coriander and garlic.**

D) Raisins and hot spices.

- Justificación: En el tercer párrafo, se menciona que el cilantro fresco y ajo agregan sabor a la comida tradicional.

14) Why do some Costa Ricans prefer to eat with a taste of a hot chilero?

A) Adds hot and sweet flavors.

B) Contains the flavor of olives.

**C) Adds extra flavor to the dishes.**

D) Tastes very different to Tabasco.


- Justificación: Se menciona el tercer párrafo que, algunos ticos para darle un sabor extra a sus comidas, agregan un poco de chilero picante.

Read the recipe.

### ALL-AMERICAN BURGER

**INGREDIENTS:**

- ½ teaspoon of Worcestershire sauce
- ¼ teaspoon of ground black pepper
- 1 large onion, sliced in rings
- 4 slices of Cheddar cheese
- 1½ pounds of ground beef
- 4 sesame seed buns
- 1 large tomato, sliced
- 4 pickled cucumbers
- ¼ teaspoon of salt
- 4 lettuce leaves
- 1 large egg



**PREPARATION:**

- First, mix the meat (ground beef), salt, pepper, Worcestershire sauce, and the egg to form the *patties* (pieces of food made into a disc shape) in a medium bowl.
- Second, in a large skillet, cook patties (for about 4 to 5 minutes) over high heat flipping it over once midway through.
- Third, place one slice of cheese on top of each patty and cook for one minute longer.
- Fourth, remove the patties from the skillet and place them on a wire rack.
- Fifth, reduce the heat to medium, add the onions, and cook until golden brown (for 6 minutes).
- Sixth, remove the skillet from the heat.
- Then, on the bottom half of each sesame seed bun, place one patty, tomato, lettuce, pickles, and onion rings.
- Next, cover with the top of the bun.
- Finally, serve the burger with ketchup and French Fries.

Adapted from the Internet

15) When preparing All-American Burger, a person needs \_\_\_\_\_.

A) three eggs



B) two pounds of meat

C) four sliced tomatoes

**D) four slices of Cheddar Cheese**

- **Justificación:** En el apartado de ingredientes, se menciona que se necesita 4 rebanadas de queso cheddar.

16) The first step for preparing the All-American Burger is to \_\_\_\_\_.

A) cook the meat for five minutes

B) serve the burger with American fries

C) add onions, cheese and tomato to the burger

**D) combine the meat, the spices, the egg and the sauce**

- **Justificación:** En el primer paso dice que, se mezcla o combina la carne, sal, pimienta, la salsa y el huevo.

17) The second step for preparing the All-American Burger is to \_\_\_\_\_.

A) remove the skillet from the heat

B) add cheese and tomato to the burger

**C) cook the patties for about five minutes**

D) mix the egg, the sauce and the rest of the ingredients

- **Justificación:** En el segundo paso, dice que se cocinan las tortas por alrededor de cinco minutos.

18) The third step when preparing the All-American Burger is to \_\_\_\_\_.

A) add the egg to the beef

B) mix the meat and the sauce

C) cook the ground beef with salt and pepper

**D) place one slice of cheese on top of each patty**

- **Justificación:** En el tercer paso, dice que se coloca una rebanada de queso encima de cada torta.

19) After covering the ingredients with the top of the bun, it is possible to \_\_\_\_\_.

A) add the onions


B) reduce the heat

C) cook the burger again

**D) serve the burger with ketchup and fries**

- **Justificación:** En el último paso, se indica que se sirve la hamburguesa con ketchup y papas fritas.

Read the text.



### BOXING DAY

The day after Christmas Day is a traditional holiday which is commonly known as Boxing Day. It takes its name because household servants and tradesmen would receive small gifts (known as Christmas boxes) from their bosses or employers for their work throughout the year.

Boxing Day is celebrated in some countries such as the United Kingdom, Canada, Hong Kong, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Malta and other nations in different ways. For example, in Ireland, this holiday is called Wren Day because of a story in which a wren (a local bird) was killed. So children go door-to-door asking for money in exchange for a wren feather which people believe that brings good luck.

Another example is the Australians' celebration. There people go shopping, and business people celebrate a kind of Black Friday. Boxing Day is a federal public holiday. In South Africa, Boxing Day was renamed the Day of Goodwill in 1994. Besides, in some European countries such as Germany, Poland, Scandinavia and the Netherlands, December 26 is celebrated as the second Christmas Day. During this holiday, families get together, visit friends and go to parties.

Adapted from the Internet

20) Boxing Day is known as \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) the servant's day
- B) the tradesmen's Christmas
- C) a well-planned day by the employees

**D) a traditional holiday in different countries**

- **Justificación:** En el texto, en el segundo párrafo, menciona que "Boxing Day" se celebra en algunos países y se dan algunos ejemplos, por lo que es conocida como una celebración que se da en diferentes países.

21) On day after Christmas, \_\_\_\_\_ in some countries.

- A) tradesmen would offer gifts to their clients
- B) servants would bring presents for their bosses

**C) employees would receive a gift box as a reward for their work**

- D) employers and employees would celebrate separated from each other

➤ **Justificación:** En el primer párrafo se habla de la celebración que se lleva acabo el día después de Navidad, y que empleados reciben cajas de regalo por parte de sus jefes, como recompensa por su labor realizada durante el año.

22) In Ireland, Boxing Day is \_\_\_\_\_.

**A) known as Wren Day**

- B) considered an unlucky day
- C) related to taking care of wrens
- D) associated with children catching wrens

➤ **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo, dice que en Irlanda esta celebración es llamada o conocida como “Wren Day”.

23) Australians celebrate Boxing Day by \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) visiting friends

**B) going shopping**

- C) attending parties
- D) meeting with their families

➤ **Justificación:** En el último párrafo, se menciona que en Australia celebran este día, yendo de compras.

24) In South Africa people celebrate a holiday called \_\_\_\_\_ on December 26.

- A) Black Day
- B) Boxing Christmas

**C) The Day of Goodwill**

- D) The Second Christmas time

➤ **Justificación:** En el último párrafo, se menciona que en Sudáfrica “Boxing Day” es renombrado a “The Day of Goodwill”.



## Read the text

### TURTLE WATCHING AND CONSERVATION

For tourists, turtle births have become a spectator sport or hobby in Costa Rica. Recent statistics have shown that the attention and money that small groups of tourists direct towards turtles are invaluable in efforts to stabilize turtle populations. The peculiar beauty of the experience cannot be compared to anything else.



Nonetheless, turtle watching is an activity that must be strongly regulated. It also requires the highest respect and protection of new-born turtles from tourists. It is necessary to go with an experienced guide and follow all the instructions carefully. People should report any misbehavior by guides or tourists to the National Park officers.

In Costa Rica, turtles nest on both coasts, and at most times of the year, people can see at least one nest. For example, visitors can easily see the giant Leatherback turtles in Las Baulas National Marine Park at Playa Grande in Guanacaste. They nest from October to March.

Another option is to see the smallest Olive Ridley turtle nests in Ostional Wildlife Refuge in great numbers. In fact, Tortuguero National Park on the Caribbean coast is the last remaining massive nesting spot for the Green turtle. They nest from July to October along the long beach, and the baby turtles emerge at sunrise two months later.

Adapted from Exploring Costa Rica

25) Turtle watching is \_\_\_\_\_ in Costa Rica.

- A) an ancient tradition
- B) an awful experience

**C) a nice tourist activity**


D) a money-making business for tourist

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo del texto, se habla de la observación de tortugas, como una actividad que debe ser regulada y que además requiere del máximo respeto y protección de las tortugas recién nacidas por parte de los turistas.

**\*\*NOTA:** Faltan las preguntas 26, 27, 28, y 29. Debido a un error de escaneo.

## Read the text

**TOURISM WILL CHANGE IN THE FUTURE**



In the future, people will spend less time planning trips in advance. This means that next-generation-planning tools will help people waste less time and money when traveling. For example, travelers will use new mobile apps (applications) that just show up at a destination and reserve a room at the last minute.

Therefore, improved booking tools will allow people to plan their trips in a more efficient way and increase transit connectivity; for instance, there will be more flight routes and high speed trains. There will also be additional services which will offer more possible options for travelers. Besides, improved tools will make it easier to sort through all these options. Travelers will find itineraries with reasonably prices minimizing the waste of time when looking for good options to travel.

Today, lots of trips are planned with the help of a prepackaged tour, or a guidebook focusing on a particular country. The borders between many countries have become easier to cross, and new economies are emerging that make new places seem more accessible than ever.

Adapted from [www.forbes.com](http://www.forbes.com)

30) Travelers will plan their trips easily with the technological advances of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) trains
- B) reserved flights
- C) places for adventures

**D) new mobile applications**

- **Justificación:** En el primer párrafo, dice que las personas van a invertir menos tiempo en planear viajes y que para ello, los viajeros, utilizarán aplicaciones móviles.

31) Travelers will take advantage of \_\_\_\_\_ when using the applications.

**A) accessible books**

- B) amazing memories
- C) inflexible planning tours
- D) prepackaged or available tours

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo, menciona que las herramientas de reserva mejoradas permitirán a las personas, planear sus viajes de una manera más eficiente.

32) More places are accessible for travelers because \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) tours are difficult to plan
- B) trips are fewer than ever
- C) there are few available rooms for them

#### D) of the existence of the new interactive applications

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo, se menciona que, gracias a todas estas herramientas interactivas, se ofrecen más posibles opciones para los viajeros, lo que hace que más lugares sean accesibles para estos.

33) With the improved tools, travelers will \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) waste a lot of time
- B) travel less easily than before

#### C) obtain well-organized itineraries

D) maximize the quantity of time looking for a hotel

- **Justificación:** Se menciona, en el segundo párrafo, que las herramientas mejoradas facilitarán la clasificación de todas las opciones, de modo que los viajeros encontrarán itinerarios con precios razonables que minimizan la pérdida de tiempo cuando buscan una buena opción para viajar.

34) Flight routes, high speed trains, and additional services are \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) types of mobile apps
- B) not useful for travelers

#### C) issues about planning trips

D) parts of travelers' personal information

- **Justificación:** En el texto, en el segundo párrafo, se menciona las rutas de vuelos, trenes de alta velocidad y servicios adicionales, como parte de aspectos sobre la planificación de viajes.

35) Interactive planning tools are very useful \_\_\_\_\_.


- A) for just new travelers
- B) for connections among hotels

C) for checking into only national hours

**D) when travelers have last minute decisions.**

- **Justificación:** En el primer párrafo del texto, se menciona que los viajeros usan las aplicaciones móviles que les permiten perder menos tiempo en planear viajes y reservar habitaciones de último minuto.

**Read the text**



### BACK PAIN

The back is the support of the human body. This makes it susceptible to injury, resulting in back pain that can be quite immobilizing. There are many reasons for back pain suffering. For example, specialists have identified falls, bad posture or even osteoporosis as some of the root causes. These problems could result in a herniated disk or sciatic nerve pain.

Back pain relief exercises usually help most patients. One of the best exercises recommended for back problems is yoga by learning how to stretch and bend. Then, to get the most from the required postures, one should meet a physical therapist specializing in yoga. Essentially, yoga increases the skeletal and muscle strength of the back while correcting back problems. Back pain relief exercises are also accompanied by physical therapy treatment like massages, the application of heat or ice, and electrical stimulation.

Besides, a good way to prevent back pain is the right consumption of a calcium and protein-based diet which is often the basis of a strong back. Along with this, it is essential to wear shoes with the right heel height; stilettos (shoes with a very high narrow heel) are one of the major causes of back injury. Finally, specialists say that people must avoid lifting heavy objects such as chairs, desks and others in the wrong way.

Adapted from [www.buzzle.com](http://www.buzzle.com)

36) Back pain can result in \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) osteoporosis
- B) muscular pain
- C) a curve spine

**D) sciatic nerve pain**

- **Justificación:** En el primer párrafo, dice que esos problemas, dolores de espalda, podrían resultar en una hernia de disco o dolor de nervio ciático.

37) To treat back pain, \_\_\_\_\_ are very useful.

A) stiletto shoes

**B) some special exercises**

C) lifting and moving heavy objects

D) sitting and moving hard chairs

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo se menciona que, los ejercicios para aliviar el dolor de espalda generalmente ayudan a la mayoría de los pacientes.

38) Specialists say that \_\_\_\_\_.

A) good posture injures the back

**B) it is important to exercise correctly**

C) it is important to wear high heel shoes

D) lifting heavy objects helps strengthen the back

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo, se menciona que uno de los ejercicios recomendados para el dolor de espalda, es el yoga, para aprender a estirarse de la manera adecuada.

39) People can strengthen by \_\_\_\_\_.

A) applying cold therapy only

B) checking themselves regularly

C) taking high doses of medicines

**D) having a good calcium and protein diet**

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo, se menciona que una forma para prevenir el dolor de espalda es consumir correctamente calcio y proteína.

40) A way to reduce back pain is to \_\_\_\_\_.

A) lift heavy objects

B) do hard exercises

C) have poor posture

**D) pay attention to specialists' advice**

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo, se menciona una serie de recomendaciones que hacen los especialistas para evitar el dolor de espalda.



## Read the text

### THE DEMOCRATIC HISTORY OF A COUNTRY



Although Costa Ricans have enjoyed the benefits of political stability and peace, there have been some periods of violence in the last hundred years. For instance, from 1917 to 1919, Federico Tinoco Granados was overthrown and forced into exile.

Besides, in 1948, José Figueres Ferrer led a disputed presidential election that ended up in an armed uprising. This sad event led to 2000 deaths and a forty-four-day civil war which was the first and worse political disruptive situation in Costa Rica in the twentieth century. This event also led the victorious government to abolish the military in 1949. Moreover, the new government drafted a new constitution with a democratically-elected assembly. Then, the new Costa Rican government, established by the assembly, held their first democratic election under the new constitution in 1953, when they elected José Figueres Ferrer.

During the following years, Costa Rica has enjoyed peaceful democratic elections and pacific transitions of power. The stability of governments has benefited Costa Ricans in many ways. For example, Costa Rica has consistently been near the top of Latin American countries in the Human Development Index. Costa Rica also ranks first in the Americas in terms of the Environmental Performance Index; and at the same time, national governments have announced plans for Costa Rica to become the first carbon neutral country by 2021.

Adapted from the Internet

41) After the civil war in 1948, Costa Rica has \_\_\_\_\_.

**A) had stable governments**

B) experienced violent electoral process

C) topped international development index

D) announced unimportant constitutional reforms

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo, se menciona que, durante los siguientes años, después de la Guerra civil de 1948, la estabilidad de los gobiernos, ha beneficiado a los costarricenses de muchas maneras.

42) The military was abolished \_\_\_\_\_.

A) between 1917 and 1919

**B) after the Costa Rican civil war**

C) before 1917 with Federico Tinoco

D) before the 2000 deaths during the civil war

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo, menciona que este evento (la guerra civil) también condujo a la abolición del ejército.

43) Costa Rica has had \_\_\_\_\_ since 1953.

A) a lot of national wars

**B) peaceful democratic elections**

C) many politically problems

D) the lowest position in the environmental protection scale

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo, se menciona que, durante los siguientes años (en el párrafo anterior hace mención a una nueva constitución en 1953), Costa Rica ha disfrutado de elecciones democráticas.

44) Government stability has \_\_\_\_\_.

A) damaged the country

B) influenced social problems

**C) promoted the pacific transition of power**

**D) affected the development of human rights**

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo se menciona que, Costa Rica ha disfrutado de elecciones democráticas y transiciones pacíficas de poder, además que de que se ha posicionado constante cerca de los primeros países de América Latina en el índice de desarrollo humano.

45) Within the continent, Costa Rica is \_\_\_\_\_.

A) the only carbon-free country


B) the most politically insecure nation

C) the most humanly developed country

**D) at the top of the Environmental Performance Index**

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo dice que, Costa Rica se posiciona de primer lugar, en América, en el ranking en términos del índice de desempeño ambiental.

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46) The applicants need to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) speak Russian
- B) have computer skills
- C) live near the place of work

**D) speak at least two languages**

- **Justificación:** En los cuatro anuncios se solicita a la persona que aplica al puesto, que domine dos idiomas.

47) The director's assistant needs to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) send the résumé
- B) speak one language

**C) have computer skills**

D) know about little babies

- **Justificación:** En el primer anuncio, se solicita que la persona tenga habilidades de computación y organización.

48) The chefs and cooks must work \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) full-time
- B) overtime
- C) part-time

**D) varied shift**

- **Justificación:** En el cuarto anuncio, se menciona que, en el puesto, se trabaja en diferentes horarios.

49) The English teacher needs to have \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) national studies
- B) a beautiful school
- C) organizational skills

**D) the corresponding certification**

- **Justificación:** Como requisito del primer anuncio, se solicita certificado para enseñar en educación primaria.

50) A nanny is required by \_\_\_\_\_.


- A) an assistant
- B) an English teacher
- C) a young single man

**D) a young couple with a baby**

- **Justificación:** En el cuarto anuncio, dice que una pareja joven con un bebé recién nacido está buscando una niñera.

## Read the text

### THE FUTURE OF DRONES



The photographer, Raphael Pirker, needed overhead shots for a commercial. Then, he attached a camera to a 2.3 kilograms model airplane, creating a *drone* (robot vehicle) to capture high-flying aerial views. A year earlier, he piloted a similar drone around the Statue of Liberty in the United States.

Technology has advanced a lot, so it has created smaller and more accessible drones. The potential applications of drones are extending far beyond their use. For example, Amazon's founder Jeff Bezos has introduced drones to deliver goods to online shoppers. Another example is when people need to search and carry out rescue operations using microdrone-UAS. The microdrone carbon fiber housing allows the aerial platforms to operate successfully under rain or snow and at extreme temperatures as in the case of fires.

As a matter of fact, with data transferred to a base station taking place in real time, it is not necessary for firefighters or support personnel to enter the danger zone to analyze the situation because microdrones-UAV can fulfill this role. By using a gas measurement device, for example, the smoke composition of a fire can be communicated, so that firefighting teams are aware of it. A thermal image camera can assist in searches for missing people, by identifying people in forests.

Adapted from the Internet

51) Raphael Pirker created \_\_\_\_\_ to fulfil a necessity.

A) his own drone

B) a model airplane

C) a new base station

D) some metal huge robots

- **Justificación:** En el primer párrafo, se menciona que Raphael necesitaba tomar áreas para un comercial, así que creó su propio drone.

52) Technology has advanced, so there are \_\_\_\_\_.

A) slower drones in the air

B) less drones flying around important events

C) important changes in the creating of drones

D) a few modifications in the construction of drones



- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo se menciona que, la tecnología ha avanzado mucho, por lo que se deben crear drones más pequeños y accesibles.

53) Raphael Pirker put into practice how to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) avoid robotics at work
- B) put carbon fiber on his camera

**C) connect a camera to get aerial shots**

- D) create the latest technology through a camera

- **Justificación:** En el primer párrafo se menciona, como Raphael conecta una cámara a un modelo de avión de 2.3 kilogramos, para capturar vistas aéreas.

54) Jeff Bezos uses \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) videos for delivering goods
- B) cameras on rescue operations

**C) drones for the online costumers**

- D) technology to review the Statue of Liberty

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo se menciona que, Jeff Bezos ha introducido drones para entregar productos a compradores en línea.

55) Microdrones are able to \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) stop working in the rain

**B) give a fast and real overview of an area**

- C) be operated successful without robotics
- D) move along the surface under any control

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo se menciona que, la carcasa de fibra de carbono de los microdrones, permite que las plataformas aéreas operen exitosamente bajo la lluvia o nieve, y además a temperaturas extremas, como es el caso de incendios.


56) Drones are very helpful when \_\_\_\_\_.

**A) inspecting a dangerous zone**

- B) rescuing firefighters' equipment
- C) measuring the temperature at any time
- D) indicating safe gases around a base station

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo dice que, no es necesario que los bomberos o el personal de apoyo ingresen en la zona peligrosa para analizar la situación, ya que los microdrones pueden realizar esta función.

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### TICO CUSTOMS

Ticos are very family-oriented. Family ties are very strong and last for a long time. Kids live with their parents through their school years and generally do not leave home before marriage. Extended families are common and contribute to fairly cohesive communities, particularly in rural areas.

Ticos are known for their relaxing and helpful temperaments, polite and friendly attitudes, as well as their willingness to lend a hand, or even offer home, especially in times of need. The phrase *quedar bien*, which means being on good terms, is one of the essential Costa Rican values. In fact, Costa Ricans will often say “yes” when they mean “no” in order to avoid conflicts. In general, Ticos are very affectionate and are often very expressive. It is usual to see couples walking arm in arm.

Thankfulness is an admirable quality, and hospitality should be received with articulated gratitude. Women appreciate it when men offer a hand to help with tasks. It is traditional that men have gentlemanly and courteous manners, often assuming a protective role. In general, it is considered good manners for men to open doors and help carry the bags for women.

Adapted from The Ticos

57) In Costa Rica, family relationships \_\_\_\_\_.

A) are irrelevant.

**B) last for many years**

C) start when children get married

D) end when children finish high school.

- **Justificación:** En el primer párrafo se menciona que, en Costa Rica, los lazos familiares son muy Fuertes y duraderos.

58) One important Tico behavior is \_\_\_\_\_.

**A) being hospitable**

B) liking hostile people

C) demonstrating rudeness

D) avoiding friendly companion

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo se hace mención, a que los ticos tienen disposición a echar una mano o incluso ofrecer hogar, especialmente en tiempos difíciles.

59) Women still appreciate the principles of \_\_\_\_\_.

A) chauvinism

**B) good manners**

C) bad temperaments

D) working without protection

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo dice que, las mujeres cuando un hombre se ofrece a ayudar con las tareas.

60) In general, most Costa Ricans like to demonstrate \_\_\_\_\_.

A) politeness and coldness

B) friendliness and rudeness

**C) solidarism and thankfulness**

D) bad or nice behavior when needed

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo se menciona que, el agradecimiento es una cualidad admirable y la hospitalidad debe recibirse con gratitud. Y como se menciona en el párrafo anterior, los ticos son conocidos por su solidarismo, más en tiempos de necesidad.

61) It is considered good manners if men \_\_\_\_\_.

**A) help women transport things**

B) always say "no" to everybody

C) stay at a distance from their mate


D) avoid giving their hands to women

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo dice, que en general se considera de buena educación, que los hombres abran puertas y ayuden a cargar las bolsas para las mujeres.

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**COSTA RICAN WOMEN**

The world rightfully knows Costa Rican women as beautiful and polite. Nowadays they have a mix of modern and traditional roles. **Costa Rican culture traditionally treated women as the weaker gender and left them with limited privileges.** However, the role of Costa Rican women has lately developed into a less rigid and a more human role.



Recently, they get treated as individuals rather than just fulfilling a stereotypical gender role. For instance in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century, Costa Rican women received their first step towards economic independence when the liberal government pushed them to study nursing, education, and secretarial careers.

In the first decades of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, women started gaining more political power to express themselves. **In addition, women have received a great education and they are now very qualified. As a result, women can become professionals in any career.**

Adapted from the Internet

62) Costa Rican women were traditionally seen as \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) modern and rigid
- B) being equal to men
- C) beautiful and impolite

**D) weak and with limited privileges**

- **Justificación:** En el primer párrafo se menciona que, la cultura costarricense trató tradicionalmente a las mujeres como el género débil y con privilegios limitados.

63) Nowadays, the role of women has \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) remained the same
- B) positively changed their lives**
- C) fulfilled a stereotypical gender

D) developed into a rigid human function

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo se menciona que, hoy en día son tratadas como individuos en lugar de simplemente cumplir con un rol de género estereotipado.

64) One important achievement of Costa Rican women is their \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) limited privileges
- B) lack of education

**C) insertion into workforce**

D) very high political participation

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo se menciona, los inicios de la inserción de las mujeres a la fuerza laboral.

65) Some Costa Rican women \_\_\_\_\_ nowadays.

- A) are slightly literate
- B) have no participation in politics

**C) are highly experienced professionals**

D) have very little participation in education

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo se habla de que las mujeres han recibido educación de calidad y ahora están muy calificadas. Y como resultado, se convierten en profesionales en cualquier carrera.

66) In the past, Costa Rican women \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) studied any career
- B) were considered superior to men

**C) could not study and work outside home**

D) had high access to education and politics

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo se menciona, los inicios de la inserción de las mujeres a la fuerza laboral. Por lo que podemos deducir que, en el pasado, las mujeres no podían estudiar ni trabajar fuera de casa.



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### NECESSITY TO COMMUNICATE



Since the beginning of time, man has felt the necessity to communicate his feelings, basic needs and ideas to others. Language has been involved as an answer to this need. Nevertheless, oral language itself was not enough.

Like many African tribes today, primitive groups of people communicated at the beginning by beating sticks against resonant logs and tree trunks. Smoke signaling was also a favorite means of early communication, not only among the American Indians, as we tend to believe, but also among the ancient Chinese, Egyptians, and Greeks.

Some means of communication were invented in the United States (the U.S.). For example, the telegraph was invented in 1844 by Samuel Morse. After this important device, the telephone was invented by Alexander Graham Bell in Boston on March 10, 1876. In the same way, the first radio program was broadcasted on Christmas Eve in 1906 in Massachusetts.

Currently, man has developed numerous sophisticated modes of optical and electromagnetic communication. In fact, many communication devices have been invented, but the need, that originated all of them and probably the future ones, is still the same which is to transmit feelings and ideas to others.

Adapted from Windows 6

67) Many African tribes still communicated by using \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) the telegraph
- B) electromechanical communication
- C) a sophisticated means of communication

**D) sticks to make sounds with resonant objects**

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo, dice que tribus africanas hoy en día, aun se comunican golpeando palos contra troncos resonantes.

68) In the past, some cultural groups \_\_\_\_\_ as the American Indians.

- A) disliked using smoke signals
- B) developed the electronic mail
- C) broadcasted a program in the U.S

#### D) used the same means of communication

- **Justificación:** En el segundo párrafo se menciona que, las señales de humo como medio de comunicación, no eran utilizadas únicamente por Indios Americanos, sino que otras culturas también las usaban.

69) The telegraph was invented by Samuel Morse \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) after the invention of the telephone
- B) after the first broadcast on the radio

#### C) before Alexander Graham Bell's invention

D) before people learned how to use smoke signals

- **Justificación:** En el tercer párrafo se menciona que, el telégrafo fue inventado por Samuel morse, antes de que Alexander Graham Bell inventara el teléfono.

70) Currently, societies use different means of communication that are \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) really simple

#### B) optical and electromagnetic

C) broadcasted in a few countries

D) sent by unsophisticated modes

- **Justificación:** En el último párrafo, se menciona que actualmente el hombre ha desarrollado modos de comunicación óptica y electromagnética