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VALERIA SALUSTRI



At the age of 15, Valeria Salustri has her own big dreams. Her plan is to become a reconstructive plastic surgeon, so she can travel around the world helping people and practicing her favorite sport, too. Valeria is so proud because she has successfully learned SUP (StandUp paddleboard) in two years.

Currently well-known in Costa Rica, Valeria Salustri caught the attention of SUPConnect magazine (earlier during 2017) who nominated her as the youngster Grom of the Year in 2017. Valeria got a lot of votes. Most of those votes were from her supportive country where she won. That award, which came from California, will stay in her bedroom next to the others already on display.

Salustri was able to travel to Peru to participate in the Panamerican Games earlier last year. She represented Costa Rica by coming in 2nd place in the juniors division of the SUP race, although a penalty bumped her down one spot to 3rd. "Surfing is a beautiful sport, but with SUP you do not have to fight for waves. If you get 1st in a race, it is because you crossed the finish line 1st, and it is not because someone judged your wave riding", she mentioned.

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Choose the appropriate option to answer each question based on the previous text. (Items from 1 to 5)

1) What is Valeria's biggest dream? Valeria wants to _____.

- A) win the Panamerican games
- B) visit many towns in the country
- C) finish the school year to practice surf
- D) become a professional to help people

Respuesta:

D) become a professional to help people

2) Who nominated Valeria Salustri as the Grom of the year?

The _____.

- A) Juniors division
- B) world SUP federation
- C) SUPConnect magazine
- D) organizers of the Panamerican Games

Respuesta:
C) SUPConnect magazine

3) Why did Valeria become the Grom of the year?

Because Valeria _____.

- A) is a very young surfer
- B) won many international competitions
- C) won third place in the Panamerican games
- D) obtained a lot of votes, especially from Costa Rica

Respuesta:
D) obtained a lot of votes, especially from
Costa Rica

4) Where did the last SUP race juniors division take place last year?

It took place in _____.

- A) California, USA
- B) Valeria's home country
- C) the Panamerican games, in Peru
- D) Costa Rica at the worldwide SUP race

Respuesta:
C) the Panamerican games, in Peru

5) According to Valeria, what is an important fact in a SUP competition?

- A) Surfers win if they get more waves.
- B) It is necessary to fight for waves in order to win.
- C) Judges evaluate wave riding in a SUP competition.
- D) The paddleboard surfers win by crossing the finish line first.

Respuesta:
D) The paddleboard surfers win by
crossing the finish line first

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COSTA RICA: RICH IN CULTURE AND ART

Costa Rica seems to be less internationally profiled in relation to its literature and art. However, it has a rich literature and art heritage to be explored. Some of the most important artists are Enrique Manuel Argüello, Joaquín Gutiérrez and Fadrique Gutiérrez. For example, Manuel Argüello wrote *La Trinchera*, a historical book which portrays his uncle's (Juan Rafael Mora Porras) campaign against William Walker's forces as well as other types of writing genres. He also founded the weekly newspaper, *La Reforma*.

In addition, Joaquín Gutiérrez, who was a novelist and a journalist, wrote *Cocorí* which has been translated into 11 languages. Gutiérrez also translated a great number of Shakespearean works into Spanish. He also published six novels and a selection of poetry. Enrique Echandi, a famous painter who studied in Germany sponsored art through his renowned art evenings.

Another renowned Costa Rican painter is Fadrique Gutiérrez, a sculptor and architect, who studied under the guidance of the Italian sculptor, Francesco Fortino, and the French painter, Achilles Bigot. He also majored in philosophy at Santo Tomás University. Fadrique Gutiérrez became known for his stone and wood sculptures. He was the designer of El Fortín Tower in Heredia.



Adapted from www.thecostaricanews.com

Choose the appropriate option to complete each sentence based on the previous text. (Items from 6 to 10)

- 6) Costa Rica is perceived internationally as _____ compared to other countries.
- A) having more sculptors
 B) translating less novels
 C) producing fewer works of art
 D) having more designers than writers

Respuesta:
 C) producing fewer works of art

7) Manuel Argüello described _____ in his historical book.

- A) his uncle's lifestyle
- B) the events of a battle
- C) the history of La Reforma
- D) Costa Rican art and literature

Respuesta:
B) The events of a battle

8) Besides writing, Joaquín Gutiérrez also performed as _____.

- A) a national historian
- B) an international painter
- C) an outstanding craftsman
- D) a translator of Shakespearean works

Respuesta:
D) a translator of Shakespearean works

9) Enrique Echandi was _____.

- A) a popular poet
- B) a well-known painter
- C) the best writer in Costa Rica
- D) the least known wood sculptor in the country

Respuesta:
B) a well-known painter

10) Based on the text, Fadrique Gutiérrez _____.

- A) studied in Germany
- B) was a popular writer in Heredia
- C) was the designer of El Fortín Tower
- D) studied Italian at Santo Tomás University

Respuesta:
C) was the designer of El Fortín Tower

Read the text.

WHAT TO EAT IN COSTA RICA

Costa Rican cuisine is varied, and it has different options for people to try at different places. Here are some options:

- **Appetizers:** They are served in most restaurants. Appetizers are very inexpensive because they are kind of small dishes. Some of them include *tortillas* piled with meat, chicken, cheese or beans; a marinated seafood salad called *ceviche*; stuffed cornmeal patties wrapped and steamed inside banana leaves (*tamales*), fried green plantain chips with beans and fried cassava.
- **Snacks:** They are available at small restaurants called *sodas*. Some of them are the popular *tacos*. They are meat in small rolls of *tortilla* with a bit of cabbage. Other types of snacks are *arreglados*. They are little meat-filled sandwiches. A *torta* is another option. It consists of fried ground meat. It can be placed on a *tortilla* with cabbage and tomatoes as a salad.
- **Typical dishes:** One of them is called *olla de carne*, a bowl of beef broth with large portions of meat, local root vegetables and corn. Roasted chicken is also very popular and is surprisingly tender.
- **Seafood:** Costa Rica has plenty of seafood. Sea bass (*corvina*) is the most commonly served fish. Red snapper (*pargo*) and tuna appear on some menus. Although Costa Rica is a major exporter of shrimp and lobster, both are relatively expensive and uncommon on most menus at restaurants.



Adapted from www.frommers.com

Choose the appropriate option to complete each sentence based on the previous text. (Items from 11 to 14)

11) Appetizers are _____ served in restaurants.

- A) full meals
- B) types of salads
- C) fried vegetables
- D) small portions of food

Respuesta:
D) small portions of food

12) Small eateries commonly offer _____.

- A) snacks
- B) grilled entrees
- C) seafood dishes
- D) different meat cuts

Respuesta:
A) snacks

13) A *torta* is served with _____.

- A) beef broth
- B) fried plantains
- C) a salad and *tortillas*
- D) chunks of vegetables

Respuesta:
C) a salad and tortillas

14) It is common to find _____ on menus.

- A) lobster
- B) some types of fish
- C) imported sea food dishes
- D) different dishes with shrimp

Respuesta:
B) some types of fish

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TABLE MANNERS AROUND THE WORLD

There are different traditions and customs about table manners around the world. The following list is a great example of them:

- When you eat noodles in Japan, it's perfectly okay to slurp them.
- Never stick your chopsticks into a bowl of rice upright, that's how rice is offered to a dead person.
- Eating from individual plates strikes most in Ethiopia as funny, unusual, and wasteful. Food is always shared from a single plate without the use of silverware.
- When drinking in Japan, don't fill your own drink; fill the glass of the person next to you and wait for them to reciprocate. Filling your own glass amounts to admitting to everyone at the table that you're an alcoholic.
- In Russia, vodka is for toasting, not for casual drinking. Men are expected to down shots in one gulp not by sipping, while women are usually excused.
- Russians can be vegetarians. Thus, restaurants in Moscow, St. Petersburg and other large cities are the most likely to have meat-free items on the menu, but in general vegetables are boiled to death and even veggie soups are made with meat stock.



Adapted from www.lonelyplanet.com

Choose the appropriate option to complete each sentence based on the previous text. (Items from 15 to 19)

15) Traditions and customs are _____ around the world.

- A) the same
- B) all bad manners
- C) different in each country
- D) always related to inappropriate behavior

Respuesta:
C) different in each country

16) People in Ethiopia _____.

- A) eat meat first
- B) do not use forks
- C) avoid laughing while eating
- D) think eating a lot is good manners

Respuesta:

B) do not use forks

17) In Japan, filling your own glass means that you _____.

- A) are humble
- B) are very friendly
- C) have problems with alcohol
- D) do not want to share with others

Respuesta:

C) have problems with alcohol

18) Russian men drink vodka _____.

- A) by sipping
- B) in one gulp
- C) in casual activities
- D) better when mixed

Respuesta:

B) in one gulp

19) Russian restaurants _____.

- A) never offer boiled vegetables
- B) always add meat to their dishes
- C) generally offer vegetarian dishes
- D) commonly add vegetable-free items on their menus

Respuesta:

C) generally offer vegetarian dishes

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SAN JOSÉ CELEBRATES ITS BICENTENNIAL



San José, the capital of Costa Rica, celebrated its 201st anniversary as a city with different activities. They included music, photos, and a review of its history. This celebration began when the name “Villa Nueva de la Boca del Monte de San José” was changed to San José on October 18, 1813.

The festivity took place in the heart of the capital and included the unveiling of a glass mosaic with the image of the first chapel built in the city in 1737, called “San José de Nazaret”. The “Josephites” enjoyed a parade with music and masquerades that guided the crowds from Central Avenue to Morazán Park. In addition, a symposium was organized with prominent local writers, and the participation of the architect-historian Andrés Fernández who has specialized in the history of this city.

The party continued with a “Serenade in the Rain” in the Temple of Music, organized by civil society groups which were engaged in organizing cultural activities in the capital. During the free concert, locals were serenaded by the Concert Band of San José. As the band was singing happy birthday to the city, pieces of cake were given to the attendees.

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Choose the appropriate option to answer each question based on the previous text. (Items from 20 to 24)

20) What did the local people commemorate? The _____

- A) Day of Our Lord of San José
- B) foundation of San José as a *villa*
- C) participation of Andrés Fernández
- D) 201st anniversary of San José as a city

Respuesta:

D) 201st anniversary of San José as a city

21) How did "Josephites" celebrate the commemoration? With _____

- A) a mass in the chapel
- B) cake tasting contests
- C) music and masquerades
- D) a tour around Morazán Park

Respuesta:
C) music and masquerades

22) What other activity did the organizers prepare? A _____

- A) folk dance with the Band of San José
- B) visit to "San José de Nazaret" Church
- C) parade with music and religious services
- D) symposium with the historian Andrés Fernández

Respuesta:
D) symposium with the historian
Andrés Fernández

23) Who arranged the free concert during the celebration? _____

- A) Music specialists
- B) Andrés Fernández
- C) Civil society groups
- D) The Municipality of San José

Respuesta:
C) Civil society groups

24) Who serenaded the attendees? _____

- A) Local writers
- B) Cultural groups
- C) "Josephite" organizers
- D) The Concert Band of San José

Respuesta:
D) The concert Band of San José

Read the text.

GLOBAL WARMING PROBLEMS



The biggest threat to life on Earth comes from global warming. For example, rich industrialized countries have been burning fossil fuels such as coal, oil and gas for about 150 years, pumping out vast quantities of carbon dioxide (CO₂) into the atmosphere. CO₂ traps heat from the sun and causes the Earth and the atmosphere to get warmer. This is called the greenhouse effect, and the problem has worsened because of deforestation.

The high level of carbon emissions in the atmosphere lead to climate changes. Thus, the oceans and seas are getting warmer and the polar caps are melting. This causes the levels of the seas to rise, which threatens low coastal regions and islands. Furthermore, the weather is becoming more unpredictable, with severe storms (heavy rains, strong winds, etc.) and floods, and unexpected sea waves and droughts (a long period of weather which is too dry). Another effect of global warming is a rise in the number of endangered species. Many animals and plants could become extinct if their habitat is altered.

The majority of scientists agree that there is an urgent need to cut carbon emissions across the world in order to reduce the effects of global warming. People, across the world, need to develop and use different sources of energy. Some scientists advocate nuclear power, while others stress the importance of renewable energy such as wind, hydro and solar power.

Adapted from Solutions Student Book

Choose the appropriate option to complete each sentence based on the previous text. (Items from 25 to 29)

25) Global warming is mainly caused by the _____.

- A) misuse of nuclear power
- B) use of renewable energy
- C) emissions of carbon dioxide
- D) different types of natural disasters

Respuesta:
C) emissions of carbon dioxide

26) The greenhouse effect refers to _____.

- A) good weather conditions
- B) global warming problems
- C) the energy around the world
- D) the adaptation of wild animals to new habitats

Respuesta:
B) global warming problems

27) Nowadays, it is more difficult to _____.

- A) see wild animals
- B) predict climate conditions
- C) live along high coastal areas
- D) use different types of renewable energies

Respuesta:
B) predict climate conditions

28) Global warming may cause _____.

- A) an increase of heavy storms
- B) a reduction of energy source
- C) a stability of weather conditions
- D) an adaptation of wild animals to new habitats

Respuesta:
A) an increase of heavy storms

29) Experts state that the reduction of CO₂ emissions _____.

- A) causes the recovery of polar caps
- B) puts the habitat of some animals at risk
- C) diminishes the effects of global warming
- D) worsens the effects of the global warming

Respuesta:
C) diminishes the effects of
global warming

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COSTA RICAN TOURISM DIVERSIFIES

Among all the countries in Central America, Costa Rica has the highest number of tourist arrivals. According to the Travel and Tourism Competitive Index (TTCI), Costa Rica ranked first in tourism competitiveness in Central America, and second overall among Latin American countries. However, while international tourist arrivals continue growing, the Costa Rican sector has been slowed down by the recent global financial crises and volcanic eruptions.



Unlike Mexico and Guatemala, Costa Rica does not have ancient ruins that act as instant cultural tourist attractions; so tour operators are creating Costa Rican cultural tours. For example, some special tours are the following:

- Chocolate Tours: Some tours show the history and techniques of making chocolate. Other tours have participants who actually make their own chocolate.
- Coffee Tours: These are a mixture of history, cultural and agricultural tour. Most tours include a visit to the fields where coffee is grown and harvested.
- Cooking Classes: A Costa Rican hotel's executive chef will often teach the classes. It is an excellent way for a hotel operator to take advantage of an asset already on site.

Adapted from www.thecostaricanews.com

Choose the appropriate option to complete each sentence based on the previous text. (Items from 30 to 35)

30) Based on TTCI, Costa Rica rates as the leader of _____ in the region.

- A) coffee tours
- B) travel attractions
- C) travel development
- D) tourism competitiveness

Respuesta:
D) tourism competitiveness

31) A slow growth in local tourism is due to _____.

- A) commercial factors
- B) local economic problems
- C) a lack of international attractions
- D) global economic problems and security risks

Respuesta:
D) global economic problems
and security risks

32) Due to the lack of ruins, local tour operators have begun _____.

- A) offering cultural attractions
- B) offering trips to Guatemala
- C) reducing its options to tourists
- D) planning international programs

Respuesta:
A) offering cultural attractions

33) During a cacao tour, tourists can _____.

- A) take culinary classes
- B) know about the history of the country
- C) visit different plantations as part of the tour
- D) get involved with the preparation of chocolate

Respuesta:
D) get involved with the
preparation of chocolate

34) Visits to growing fields are part of _____.

- A) a coffee tour
- B) a cooking class
- C) international tours
- D) ancient ruins tours

Respuesta:
A) a coffee tour

35) Cooking classes are usually offered by _____.

- A) the TTCl
- B) tour guides
- C) some tourists
- D) a professional from a hotel

Respuesta:
D) a professional from a hotel

Read the text.

NEW CLASS OF DRUG MAY FIGHT SUPERBUGS



A team of North American researchers has recently announced the discovery of a new class of antibiotics to fight drug-resistant bacteria that threaten public health. The researchers said the new class of antibiotics, called oxadiazoles, was discovered by computer screening and showed a special promise in the treatment of methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA).

They also screened 1.2 million compounds and found that oxadiazole inhibits a penicillin-binding protein, PBP2a, and the biosynthesis of the cell wall that enables MRSA to resist other drugs. MRSA has been a global public-health problem since the 1960s because of its resistance to antibiotics. In the United States alone, 278,000 people are hospitalized and 19,000 die each year from serious infections caused by MRSA.

Adapted from the Internet

Choose the appropriate option to answer each question based on the previous text. (Items from 36 to 40)

36) What is the good news in relation to medicine? A group of researchers _____.

- A) produced a drug resistant
- B) found a penicillin controller
- C) created a protein enhancer
- D) discovered a new type of antibiotic

Respuesta
D) discovered a new type of antibiotic

37) What is the name of the innovative medicine? Its name is _____.

- A) MRSA
- B) PBP2a
- C) Methicillin
- D) Oxadiazoles

Respuesta
D) Oxadiazoles

38) How does the new product work? It _____.

- A) resists other drugs
- B) attacks biosynthesis
- C) destroys the cell wall
- D) inhibits a protein called PBP2a

Respuesta
D) inhibits a protein called PBP2a

39) Why is MRSA an international health problem? Because it _____.

- A) inhibits penicillin
- B) has no treatment
- C) is a manageable disease
- D) has a resistance to antibiotics

Respuesta
D) has a resistance to antibiotics

40) What can MRSA provoke? It provokes _____ that kill people.

- A) serious infections
- B) antibiotic activation
- C) penicillin assimilation
- D) the elimination of bacteria

Respuesta
A) serious infections

Read the text.

COSTA RICA'S GOVERNMENT

Costa Rica is a democratic republic. Under the 1949 constitution, all citizens are guaranteed equality before the law, the right to own property, the right of petition and assembly, freedom of speech and the right of habeas corpus.

The constitution also divides the government into independent executive, legislative and judicial branches. The executive branch is composed of the president, two vice presidents and a cabinet. The legislative staff is the National Assembly, composed of 57 members. Costa Rica has a very strong system of constitutional checks and balances. Executive responsibilities are conferred in a president, who is the country's center of power. There are also two vice presidents and a 15-member cabinet. The president and 57 Legislative Assembly deputies are elected for a 4-year term.

In April 2003, the Costa Rican Constitutional Court annulled a 1969 constitutional reform which had impeded presidents from running for re-election. As a result, the law reverted back to the 1949 Constitution, which permits ex-presidents to run for re-election after they have been out of office for two presidential terms or eight years. Deputies may run for re-election after sitting out one term, or four years.



Adapted from www.ticotimes.com

Choose the appropriate option to complete each sentence based on the previous text. (Items from 41 to 45)

41) One of Costa Ricans' constitutional right is _____.

- A) limitations of speech
- B) citizen restrictions before the law
- C) the Costa Ricans' right to habeas corpus
- D) the restricted opportunity to possess property

Respuesta
C) the Costa Ricans' right to habeas corpus

42) The Costa Rican government is composed of _____.

- A) the Legislative Assembly
- B) a dependent executive system
- C) three main branches: executive, judicial and legislative
- D) the judicial cabinet and an independent executive system

Respuesta
C) three main branches: executive, judicial and legislative

43) Fifty-seven members form _____.

- A) habeas corpus
- B) the Judicial branch
- C) the executive branch
- D) the National Assembly

Respuesta
D) the National Assembly

44) The head of the executive responsibilities reside on the _____.

- A) two vice-presidents
- B) executive cabinet members
- C) president as center of power
- D) members of the Legislative branch

Respuesta
C) president as a center of power

45) The 1969 constitutional reform _____.

- A) prohibited presidential re-election
- B) give ex-presidents the chance to run for re-election
- C) permitted that presidents be re-elected every four years
- D) permitted presidents to be re-elected after sitting out for one term

Respuesta
B) give ex-presidents the chance to run for re-election

Read the text.

EMPLOYMENT IN COSTA RICA

There are different agencies that help recruit foreign and national people for jobs in Costa Rica. Besides, starting one's own business is very easy because there are a few restrictions with self-employed foreign residents.

Currently, foreigners must do one of two things to be able to work in Costa Rica. First, they can get a work permit through their employer, or second, they can apply for residency. Foreigners must remember that the work permit must be renewed every year.



In Costa Rica, the average worker only makes \$300 to \$500 a month; however, a worker can find jobs through multinational companies which usually offer better salaries starting at \$2,000 per month when applying for upper management positions.

Adapted from The Tico Times

Choose the appropriate option to complete each sentence based on the previous text. (Items from 46 to 50)

46) To have one's own business in Costa Rica, it is easy because _____.

- A) most foreigners offer high salaries
- B) there are many restrictions for self-employed foreigners
- C) the restrictions for self-employed foreign residents are a few
- D) self-employed workers must renew their resident permit twice a year

Respuesta
C) the restrictions for self-employed foreign residents are few

47) A foreign worker has to _____.

- A) earn wages in dollars
- B) renew his or her permit yearly
- C) contact big companies monthly
- D) seek residence status after two years

Respuesta
B) renew his or her permit yearly

48) Foreigners who want to work in Costa Rica must _____.

- A) have an illegal business
- B) open their own big companies
- C) buy Spanish guides and dollars
- D) acquire a work permit or residency

Respuesta
D) acquire a work
permit or residency

49) According to the text, some multinational companies _____.

- A) offer better salaries
- B) pay only 400 dollars
- C) give living cost to their workers
- D) demand Spanish native speakers

Respuesta
A) offer better salaries

50) To earn two thousand dollars or more, it is necessary to _____.

- A) be an average worker
- B) handle updated paperwork
- C) have a managerial position
- D) find a job in a national company

Respuesta
C) have a managerial
position

Read the text.

GAME DEVELOPERS

A degree in software engineering, computer science or a related field is typically required to become a game developer. Game developers must be proficient in computer programming languages, such as Java or C++. According to *U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics*, the projected job growth from 2014 to 2024 will be of 19% of job opportunities for software developers with an average salary of \$102,160.

Game developers design and create video games for computers and video game consoles. They are involved in the conception as well as the execution of game creation. While education requirements based on employers, vary many prospective game developers seek a bachelor's degree in computer science, software engineering, or a related field.

Game developers, more specifically known as video game developers or video game designers, are software developers and engineers who create video games. Game developers may be involved in different aspects of the creation of games from concept and story writing to coding and programming. Other potential areas of work for a game developer include audio, design, production of visual arts.



Adapted from www.study.com

Choose the appropriate option to answer each question based on the previous text. (Items from 51 to 56)

51) What is the expected projection of job growth for software developers? It is _____.

- A) less than twenty percent
- B) more than twenty percent
- C) based on the employers' academic degree
- D) established by the knowledge of programming language

Respuesta
A) less than twenty percent

52) In what specific area do game developers have to possess expertise? In _____

- A) the production of consoles
- B) hardware engineering design
- C) educational computer software
- D) computer programming languages

Respuesta
D) computer programming languages

53) What is an academic requirement for game developers? Studies in _____

- A) software sales
- B) electronic engineering
- C) the arts or music composition
- D) software engineering or computer science

Respuesta
D) software engineering or computer science

54) What do video game developers do in their job? They _____

- A) design video games
- B) create language programs
- C) teach science by computer
- D) seek an appropriate language

Respuesta
A) design video games

55) Which are some areas of work for video game designers?

- A) Software and gaming stories
- B) Coding and programming video games
- C) The production of computers and videos
- D) The development of Web works about computers

Respuesta
B) Coding and programming video games

56) What is a special activity of game designers? It is their _____

- A) performance on videos
- B) production of visual arts
- C) delivery of computer units
- D) development of computer history

Respuesta
B) production of visual arts

Read the text.

VOLUNTEER: FREE FOR EVERYONE

Volunteering opportunities come in many shapes and many sizes. Some people volunteer a few hours regularly, while others, when they are called upon by an organization. You can volunteer in your neighborhood, online or in other countries. A good way to start is to list the sort of cause or organization you would like to help. For example, working with children, older people, homeless people, disabled people and refugees are some of those options



Perhaps you could help clean up the environment, get involved in sports or art and culture, or look after animals. Maybe you have IT skills such as housekeeping, driving, teaching, and creative, caring, fundraising, or organizing skills, perhaps you are good at making friends. Probably the most important attributes of a volunteer are commitment, common sense and the ability to work as a team.

Be clear about how much time you are able to volunteer from the beginning. Also be clear about other roles and responsibilities you have at that moment. Don't forget to think about the travel time involved. If you are thinking about a big commitment of time or energy, it is important to approach a volunteer's role, so making contact, or getting references from people who volunteer for that organization, are always good ideas.

Adapted from www.knowhownonprofit.org

Choose the appropriate option to complete each statement based on the previous text. (Items from 57 to 61)

57) Volunteering demands that people _____.

- A) dedicate free time
- B) work for a minimum of eight hours a day
- C) contribute in their neighborhoods as a requirement
- D) belong to a charity organization to begin volunteering

Respuesta
A) dedícate free time



58) A good piece of advice to start volunteering is that people can _____.

- A) find an organization to clean up the environment
- B) list the possible causes they are interested in helping
- C) provide immediate assistance to children or older people
- D) initiate volunteering in sports and culture before supporting refugees

Respuesta
B) list the possible causes they are interested in helping

59) Some fundamental attributes for volunteering require a _____.

- A) person with little common sense
- B) devoted and collaborative person
- C) strict and a well-organized person
- D) person who cares about raising money

Respuesta
B) devoted and collaborative person

60) Time is important when _____.

- A) taking trips
- B) determining personal interests
- C) performing the roles in the house
- D) helping at a volunteer organization

Respuesta
D) helping at a volunteer organization

61) It is a fact that volunteering is _____.

- A) available for everyone
- B) for unemployed people
- C) restricted to organizations
- D) limited to professional people

Respuesta
A) available for everyone

Read the text.

MINORITIES WILL BECOME MAJORITIES

Ethnic and racial minorities will be a majority of the U.S. population in a little more than a generation. By 2042, Americans who identify themselves as Hispanic, Black, Asian, American Indian, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander will together outnumber non-Hispanic whites. In fact, the main reason for the accelerating change is higher birthrates among immigrants. So-called minorities will constitute a majority of the nation's children under 18 by 2023 and of working-age Americans by 2039.

Regardless of what people assume about future immigration, U.S. citizens will be more Hispanic and Asian. Projections are likely to generate debates over immigration policy, overpopulation and the changing electorate, and recall earlier eras when the Irish, the Italians and Eastern European Jews were not universally considered as whites. By 2050, about 89 million Americans will be in that group, more than double the number today.

The share of Americans who can identify their roots to immigrants directly from Europe has been decreasing. The new definition of whites is people who have descendants of the original people of Europe, North Africa or the Middle East. Hispanic or Latino people are of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American or other Spanish cultures.



Adapted from the Internet

Choose the appropriate option to complete each sentence based on the previous text. (Items from 62 to 66)

62) The main reason for the increase of minorities in the U.S. is the _____.

- A) decrease of non-Hispanics
- B) number of births among immigrants
- C) number of people who migrate to the country
- D) increase of the number of immigrants from Latin America

Respuesta
B) number of births among immigrants

63) By 2039, the working population will be _____.

- A) white people
- B) over 89 million
- C) European descendants
- D) mainly made up by minorities

Respuesta
D) mainly made up by
minorities

64) The increase of minorities will _____.

- A) remain unchanged
- B) attract people from Europe mainly
- C) cause racial disputes among Latinos
- D) provoke discussions over immigration topics

Respuesta
D) provoke discussion
over immigration
topics

65) It is believed that people from the U.S. will _____ in the future.

- A) have less immigrants
- B) be more Hispanic and Asian
- C) be more racially homogenous
- D) decrease the number of births

Respuesta
B) be more Hispanic
and Asian

66) To be considered a new white citizen in the U.S., a person must _____.

- A) have only European roots
- B) live in the United States at any age
- C) be an American, Indian or Latin American
- D) have North African, European or Middle Eastern descendants

Respuesta
D) have North African,
European or Middle Eastern
descendants

Read the text.

RADIO IN COSTA RICA



Considering that Costa Rica is such a small country, the quantity of radio stations present is simply amazing. The programming is equally varied. People will likely come across a lot of salsa just as they will also find jazz, hard rock, news, political statements, opinions or just Latin music. An interesting selection of radio station links have established an online presence.

In Costa Rica, maybe people want to bring a little portable radio along because as everywhere in the world since music is a part of Costa Rican culture. Many stations play pop, oldies and modern rock. Both foreigners and younger locals listen to these stations since they play a lot of past and present hits. Many of the bus drivers listen to rock music that the English stations play. Radio Dos 99.5 FM plays Top-40 music from the 1960s, '70s, '80s and '90s. Radio 107.5 FM is the only all-English radio station offering 100 percent rock from all decades. Super Radio 102.3 specializes in the oldies. Radio 95.5 plays a great selection of jazz and fusion.

Adapted from www.ticotimes.com

Choose the appropriate option to complete each sentence based on the previous text. (Items from 67 to 70)

67) There _____ in Costa Rica.

- A) are a lot of radio stations
- B) are two radio stations which play just rock music
- C) is a radio station called Radio 107.5 FM which plays jazz
- D) is a more variety of modern music on Super Radio than on Radio Dos

Respuesta

A) are a lot of radio stations

68) In Costa Rica, national radio stations _____.

- A) play exclusively local music
- B) specialize in English programs
- C) play a small variety of music genres
- D) offer different kinds of music genres

Respuesta

D) offer different kinds of music genres

69) Costa Rican radio listeners can _____.

- A) enjoy a great variety of music
- B) play rock music on any radio station
- C) listen to rock music on just Radio Dos
- D) choose the oldest music from just two radio stations

Respuesta
A) enjoy a great variety
of music

70) People may listen to _____ when being interested in jazz music.

- A) Radio Dos
- B) Radio 95.5
- C) Radio 107.5
- D) Super Radio

Respuesta
B) Radio 95.5