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COFFEE BOWL IN COSTA RICA

The National Coffee Bowl, known as "Copa del Café", is one of the best junior tennis tournaments in the world. It takes place every year in Costa Rica. The Coffee Bowl started with a group of tennis players at the Costa Rican Country Club in 1965. They formed a committee that has worked together to make the tournament the most prestigious international tennis event of its kind.



Since the beginning of the tournament, most participants have received economic help from different international supporters such as prestigious companies, players and coaches as well as the tennis federations of many wealthy countries. In addition, it would not be possible to organize the Coffee Bowl without the invaluable assistance of local corporate sponsors such as Coca-Cola, Café Britt and Citibank among others.

The Coffee Bowl tournament is by far the oldest junior tournament in Latin America. Every year, it receives entries from more than 50 countries. In 2012, it had its best record, reaching 56 countries. The tennis tournament filled the stadium court. In fact, the Coffee Bowl had over 3,000 spectators each day in 2012. Those games were televised at night.

Adapted from www.copacafe.com

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

- 1) The Coffee Bowl is _____.
- A) a local competition
 - B) a new tennis tournament in the country
 - C) one of the best junior tennis competitions
 - D) sponsored just by multinational corporations

- 2) The Coffee Bowl tournament is _____.
- A) a yearly competition
 - B) a contest for seniors
 - C) an unknown tournament
 - D) an important water event
- 3) International companies have _____.
- A) organized the matches
 - B) paid the tennis coaches
 - C) hired international tennis players
 - D) supported the Coffee Bowl in the country
- 4) The Coffee Bowl tournament obtains yearly sponsorship from _____.
- A) young players
 - B) local corporations
 - C) the committee members
 - D) the oldest people from the club
- 5) In 2012, the international tennis tournament _____.
- A) inaugurated a new court
 - B) received fifty-six spectators
 - C) invited a few tennis federations
 - D) achieved the attendance of more nations than ever

Read the text.

THEATER IN COSTA RICA

Costa Rica has become a nation of theater lovers. The government and the Ministry of Culture strongly support the prosperous acting community. However, playwriting in Costa Rica is a relatively new phenomenon which started in the nineteenth century. For example, at the beginning, the central themes of the Costa Rican theater used to represent what was actually happening in society including stereotypical representations of urban and rural characters combined with humor.



Nevertheless, as theater advanced, authors introduced more complex themes and dared to criticize the social problems in the Costa Rican society; a theme that was very common throughout Latin America. In the present, commercial theater is more popular in the country than in the countryside which shows plays written by Costa Rican and Latin American authors.

Nowadays the streets of San José are decorated with small theaters which present plays from comedy to drama, mime and even puppet theater. In general, most plays are comical and enjoyable. Today's plays are targeted at entertaining audiences, not educating them. Even if they aren't as serious as past performances, they are valuable and they present fragments of contemporary Costa Rican reality, too.

Adapted from costarica-information.com

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

- 6) The flourishing acting community _____ in Costa Rica.
- A) is ultimately decreasing
 - B) has governmental support
 - C) presents mainly cultural plays
 - D) deals mainly with religious matters

- 7) At the beginning, theater companies used to represent _____.
- A) themes related to lovers
 - B) people of the upper class
 - C) only fantastic urban stories
 - D) the daily happenings of society
- 8) Once theater started to advance, authors even criticized _____.
- A) cultural events
 - B) commercial playwrights
 - C) Latin American societies
 - D) the social problems of the nation
- 9) The small theaters of San José show _____.
- A) mostly drama
 - B) a variety of plays
 - C) a series of past events
 - D) mainly their own playwrights
- 10) Today, the main goal of the theaters is to _____ in Costa Rica.
- A) entertain people
 - B) educate audiences
 - C) present complex plays
 - D) criticize the government

Read the text.

COSTA RICAN COFFEE

Costa Rican coffee has been recognized as one of the world's finest coffee. As a matter of fact, coffee seeds were brought over by the Spanish from Africa and the Middle East in 1808. It is therefore, not native to Costa Rica. The temperate climate and fruitful volcanic soil of the Central Valley proved to be the perfect environment for the coffee's infant stages in the Costa Rican terrain.



Thus, coffee became the country's main export. Nevertheless, an interruption in the powerful reign of coffee occurred when bananas overtook the export market in 1878. The United Fruit Company arrived on the scene and took advantage of the abundance of bananas in Costa Rica.

The best coffee in Costa Rica is said to come from the Central Valley, but good coffee can be found in other places, too. Harvesting takes place from December to February. The reddest beans are hand-picked and taken to a receiver who pays the coffee pickers. From there, the berries are taken to a mill, where they are washed, sun-dried, filtered and separated. Then, the product is roasted and distributed.

Adapted from www.vivacostarica.com

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

- 11) The quality of Costa Rican coffee has been _____.
- A) well-accepted all over the world
 - B) obtained from a new species of seeds
 - C) developed by the United Fruit Company
 - D) introduced in Africa and the Middle East

- 12) At the beginning of coffee production in Costa Rica, the weather _____
- A) favored the early development of coffee
 - B) had a negative effect on coffee plantations
 - C) made it difficult to grow coffee in Costa Rica
 - D) was an obstacle for farmers to harvest coffee
- 13) It is believed that the best Costa Rican coffee is _____
- A) grown just in San José
 - B) picked only in December
 - C) harvested after February
 - D) produced in the Central Valley
- 14) Costa Rican coffee pickers collect coffee beans _____
- A) while plants are growing
 - B) and then put them to roast
 - C) after the month of February
 - D) by hand from December to February

Read the text.

MOST COMMON ETIQUETTE MISTAKES



Following certain rules of etiquette is essential in both social and professional situations. Therefore, it is a good idea to learn about them. This may be the difference between keeping or losing friends, and getting ahead in business. Besides, it is important to learn what not to do.

In a world in which people are always rushing around, they have become accustomed to running through fast food, drive-thru lanes and eating on the run. This is not only bad for digestion, but it gets people out of the habit of practicing good table manners.

When dining with others, take time to observe proper table manners. If people are unclear about which silverware to use, they should learn before they go out to eat. Besides that, people have to take time to chew food properly, and not talk with food in their mouth. For instance, if someone asks others a question right after taking a bite, they most likely will understand and be willing to wait until that person chews and swallows. Moreover, people should remember that after eating, they have to wait for the others to finish because it is rude to leave the table while the other people at the table are still eating.

Adapted from www.about.com

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

- 15) Following certain rules of etiquette should be _____.
- A) a part of eating fast food
 - B) avoided in social situations
 - C) as important as eating alone at home
 - D) practiced when eating at social events

- 16) Eating rapidly can cause _____.
- A) digestive problems
 - B) a good first impression
 - C) appropriate habits at the table
 - D) the best behavior at a restaurant
- 17) If people know the rules of etiquette, they should avoid _____.
- A) chewing food correctly
 - B) talking with food in their mouth
 - C) closing their mouth at the table
 - D) staying at the table after finishing their meal
- 18) An example of good table manners is to _____.
- A) eat quickly at the table
 - B) talk out loud while eating
 - C) chew the food slowly and correctly
 - D) ask about unknown silverware when eating
- 19) When eating out, it is disrespectful to _____.
- A) ask questions at the table
 - B) finish first while others are still eating
 - C) look at how others use their silverware
 - D) leave the table while others are still eating

Read the text.

FUNERALS IN COSTA RICA

In Costa Rica when a death occurs, friends and relatives are notified by telephone, through obituaries in the newspapers or by radio. Mourners (people who go to a funeral) attend a ceremony called a "viewing" at the house of the deceased, or at a funeral parlor. Funerals are usually held the day following the death. After the church service, mourners wearing black accompany the family of the deceased to the cemetery.



Catholics people usually have a memorial ceremony called *novenario* (it includes praying rosaries at home and/or at a church) for the following nine days. According to the mourners, this tradition relieves the dead person and prayers can help the soul of the deceased "to gain entrance into the kingdom of God". During the *novenario* after the rosary finishes, visitors are served coffee or refreshments and some homemade pastries.

On the ninth day, a mass is offered and a rosary is prayed. Also, mourners always receive a *recordatorio* which is a picture of the dead person. Then, a mass is carried out every month. After a year has passed, some families make a public announcement about a memorial mass. On November 2, which is the Day of the Dead, people usually place flowers on graves as a tribute to commemorate all the relatives who have passed away.

Adapted from www.everyculture.com

- 21) It is believed that praying a *novenario* will help the deceased person's soul to _____.
- A) die easily
 - B) enter into God's kingdom
 - C) stay in a church for a long time
 - D) stay with their relatives forever
- 22) People who attend the *novenario* are offered _____ when the daily rosary finishes.
- A) some flowers
 - B) some candles
 - C) a *recordatorio*
 - D) something to eat and drink
- 23) Usually on the last day of the *novenario*, _____.
- A) a mass is offered
 - B) people pray all day
 - C) no food is offered to the visitors
 - D) no religious services take place
- 24) A way to celebrate the Day of the Dead is by _____.
- A) burying a person
 - B) preparing lots of meals
 - C) not praying for the dead person's soul
 - D) leaving flowers on the deceased person's grave

- 26) It is a fact that without water _____ in the future.
- A) all living things will survive
 - B) there will be facilities to live in
 - C) no humans and animals can subsist
 - D) the planet and the inhabitants will keep on living
- 27) Helping to decrease the holes in the ozone layer means to _____.
- A) travel by plane frequently
 - B) go to work by driving a car
 - C) buy a car that needs gas to function
 - D) ride a bike instead of using vehicles that require fuel
- 28) A reason why people deforest is to _____.
- A) avoid pollution
 - B) protect the rivers
 - C) keep the air clean
 - D) build more houses
- 29) People can help to conserve natural resources by _____.
- A) putting the 4R's into practice
 - B) throwing waste into the rivers
 - C) spending more time taking a shower
 - D) turning on electrical appliances all day long

Read the text.

MEDICAL TOURISM IN COSTA RICA

Costa Rican medical tourism is a growing industry that should be considered by anyone who needs a stress-free recovery and medical care at a fraction of the cost. It is highly affordable, and it ranks higher than in other countries of the area in terms of the quality of care provided. Many North Americans travel to Costa Rica for healthcare. In fact, North American medical tourism accounts for 40% of the dental health procedures.



If foreign patients reserve medical tourism through a travel agency, they may have the opportunity to explore the beauties of the country. For example, they can enjoy the beautiful views and scenic terrains which provide a great place for medical travelers to recover from a surgery or other medical procedures. They can also enjoy the nice tropical climate, national parks, beaches, rivers, caverns and caves as well as plenty of native animals and plants.

Many medical travelers enjoy the white sandy beaches as a way to lower stress and recover after a medical procedure. The vegetation transports these travelers to a simpler time when the area was not developed. There are over 500,000 species of flora and fauna to explore. If medical treatment does not involve surgery, the medical tourist vacation package could include surfing and yoga training. These activities are relaxing and recommended because exercise promotes good health.

Adapted from www.medical-tourism.com

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

- 30) Medical tourism has become _____ in Costa Rica.
- A) the least important issue
 - B) the worst tourist attraction
 - C) a popular business growing
 - D) a big problem that elevates stress

- 31) Forty percent of North American tourists come to Costa Rica looking for _____.
- A) major surgeries
 - B) exercise therapies
 - C) expensive treatments
 - D) dental care procedures
- 32) Costa Rican travel agencies offer foreign patients to _____.
- A) invest in tourism
 - B) travel for free on beautiful beaches
 - C) receive therapeutic care at low prices
 - D) explore the high quality of the accommodations
- 33) Medical travelers can _____ by exploring the natural beauty of the country.
- A) feel very sick
 - B) have a longer recovery rate
 - C) recover from medical procedures
 - D) feel bothered by the native animals
- 34) Costa Rican white sandy beaches help foreign patients _____.
- A) feel stressed
 - B) experience anxiety
 - C) have a bad sensation
 - D) recover after a medical procedure
- 35) A vacation package for medical travelers without major surgery could include _____.
- A) free medical treatment
 - B) yoga and surfing lessons
 - C) very expensive dental care
 - D) medical procedures at high cost

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ENGINEERS DEVELOP SOFT ROBOTIC SLEEVE

A team of researchers from Harvard University and Boston Children's Hospital has developed a customizable soft robot. This type of robot looks like a sleeve and fits around the heart potentially helping it to beat. This invention is opening new treatment options for people suffering from heart failure.



The soft robotic sleeve twists and compresses in synch with a beating heart, augmenting cardiovascular functions weakened by heart failure. Unlike currently available devices that assist heart function, this soft robotic sleeve does not directly contact blood. This reduces the risk of coagulation and eliminates the need for a patient to take potentially dangerous blood thinner medication.

The device may one day be able to help a patient during cardiac rehabilitation and recovery. "This research demonstrates that the growing field of soft robotics can be applied to clinical needs and potentially reduce the burden of heart disease. In addition, soft robotic devices can improve the quality of life for patients," said Ellen T. Roche, a former Ph.D. student at the Harvard John A. Paulson School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (SEAS) and Wyss Institute of Biologically Inspired Engineering.

Adapted from www.scitechdaily.com

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

- 36) Who developed the robotic sleeve?
- A) A doctor called Ellen T. Roche
 - B) Researchers from Harvard and Boston Children's Hospital
 - C) A group of undergraduate students from Harvard University
 - D) New students from Wyss Institute of Biologically Engineering

- 37) Why is the soft robotic sleeve important? Because it can _____.
- A) stop heart from beating
 - B) control high blood pressure
 - C) help doctors do any type of surgeries
 - D) be a new treatment to avoid heart failure
- 38) How does the soft robotic sleeve work? It _____.
- A) reduces the heart functions
 - B) decreases the distribution of blood
 - C) prolongs the incidence of heart failure
 - D) twists to increase cardiovascular activity
- 39) What is the difference between the soft robotic and similar devices? It _____.
- A) provokes coagulation
 - B) requires special medication
 - C) avoids direct contact with blood
 - D) requires patients to use blood thinner treatment
- 40) What was demonstrated with the soft robotic research? A soft robotic sleeve _____.
- A) can have clinical use
 - B) diminishes people's quality of life
 - C) is used to avoid many procedures
 - D) can increase the use of blood thinner medication

Read the text.

ELECTIONS IN COSTA RICA



Costa Rica's national elections, held every four years, always happen on the first Sunday in February. It reaffirms the pride Ticos feel for their democratic system. In the rest of Central America, says travel writer Paul Theroux, "an election can be an alarming piece of criminality; in Costa Rica, it is something of a fiesta. The streets are decorated with flags, and everyone drives around honking their horns and throwing confetti."

Everyone over 18 years, who has an identification card, is automatically registered to vote. After being guided into voting booths by schoolchildren dressed up in party colors, voters indicate their political preferences with an X beneath a photograph of the candidate of their choice.

Splitting votes across party lines is common, as separate ballots are issued for the presidency, legislature, and municipal councils; if the president-elect fails to receive 40% of the vote, a special runoff election is held for the two top contenders.

Adapted from www.philip.greenspun.com

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

- 41) How are elections celebrated in Costa Rica? People _____.
- A) are afraid of voting
 - B) feel proud and celebrate
 - C) behave violently on the streets
 - D) wait for more than four years to vote

- 42) How is it possible for a person to have the right of suffrage? Citizens must _____.
- A) be younger than 18
 - B) obtain a voting booth
 - C) enjoy universal suffrage
 - D) have an identification card
- 43) How do people indicate their vote? They _____.
- A) sign below the political party ballot
 - B) go to the assigned political party voting booth
 - C) put an X below the picture of the chosen candidate
 - D) write the name of the political party of their preference
- 44) How many votes determine a re-election process?
- A) When candidates obtain half the votes
 - B) More than forty percent of voters participating
 - C) There has to be less than forty percent of the votes
 - D) When there are two contenders with more than 40% votes
- 45) How are citizens guided to the voting booth?
- A) People are paid to guide voters.
 - B) The presidential candidates guide citizens.
 - C) Kids dressed in party colors take people to vote.
 - D) University students lead voters to a specific booth.

Read the text.

A LUCKY GIRL

Kylie Minogue is one of the world's most successful artists, but she has not always been known for her singing. Her career started at age 11, with a TV drama series called *Skyways* in Australia where she was born. This was followed by more TV work, most crucially her role as Charlene in the Australian soap opera, *Neighbors*, a role for which she remains very well remembered.



After her 17th birthday, Kylie left school and committed to acting as a full-time profession. During this period, she won a number of Logies (The Australian award for excellence in TV), including the most popular actress and the most popular personality on Australian TV.

Kylie's recording career began with a remake of the 1960s Little Eva *Locomotion* in 1987. It was a huge hit and stayed at number one in Australia. Her debut album, containing the hit singles *Locomotion* and *I Should Be So Lucky* sold over five million copies and was another hugely successful early hit for Kylie.

Currently, Kylie has released nine albums and 39 singles throughout the world, all of which have been hits. Only Madonna shares the honor of having a number-one hit in the eighties, nineties, and the first years of the new millennium. Kylie hasn't dropped her early interest in acting and has also found time for movies, with a range of roles from the lead in *Street fighter* with Jean Claude van Damme to the cameo the Green Spirit role in *Moulin Rouge*.

Adapted from Attitude Student's Book 3

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

46) Kylie Minogue began her artistic career _____.

- A) at a very young age
- B) while she was a teenager
- C) acting in international films
- D) singing covers of other singers

- 47) Before entering her singing career, Kylie Minogue _____.
- A) recorded a single with Madonna
 - B) performed on TV in her native country
 - C) acted with outstanding international figures
 - D) was already a famous international actress
- 48) Kylie Minogue is still remembered for her _____.
- A) last hit called *Locomotion*
 - B) participation in the drama series *Skyways*
 - C) first appearance on the Australian television
 - D) role as Charlene in the Aussie soap opera *Neighbors*
- 49) In her native country, Kylie Minogue _____.
- A) acquired different prizes
 - B) started her acting career at the age of 17
 - C) has spent all her life singing professionally
 - D) remained unknown until she started singing
- 50) Kylie Minogue had the opportunity to _____ for three decades.
- A) sing with Madonna
 - B) place a number one hit
 - C) be known internationally
 - D) act in many internationally awarded movies

Read the text.

HYBRID CARS



Demand for electric and hybrid cars is growing here, but the progress has been limited. Javier Bonilla has been trying alternative-fuel cars. Bonilla, a lead mechanic at the National Training Institute (INA) which instructs the country's licensed mechanics on the latest automobiles, and hybrid and electric vehicles. Bonilla and a group of students have even built their own electric car prototypes to better recognize how the technology works.

Javier Bonilla and his colleagues have been experimenting with solar panels, using them to create a vehicle that controls windshield wipers and lights through solar energy. INA's innovations represent the institute's fascination with hybrid and electric cars, and the institute's hope is that alternative-energy cars will continue growing in demand in Costa Rica.

Gas-electric hybrid cars arrived in the country in 2004, in the form of Toyota's top-selling Prius. Electric cars followed in 2009, with the arrival of the Reva from India. In 2011, Mitsubishi's i-MiEV, the Japanese automaker's first electric car, entered in Costa Rica. So the local Mitsubishi dealership began selling the i-MiEV, a vehicle that reached Costa Rican markets before the United States, China or the rest of Latin America.

Adapted from www.ticotimes.net

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

51) Who is Javier Bonilla?

- A) A lead mechanic at INA
- B) A new Mitsubishi automaker
- C) The best car seller at Toyota
- D) The owner of a Reva car from India

- 52) What did Javier Bonilla and his students do in Costa Rica? They _____
- A) created a new alternative car
 - B) became a best seller at Toyota
 - C) became the first owner of a hybrid car
 - D) controlled solar energy for personal needs
- 53) What does Bonilla's experiment deal with?
- A) Japanese cars
 - B) Solar panels on cars
 - C) New windshield wipers
 - D) Mechanically controlled lights
- 54) Where did the i-MiEV car begin to be sold in Costa Rica?
- A) Different places in China
 - B) In Latin American companies
 - C) At enterprises in the United States
 - D) At Costa Rican Mitsubishi dealerships
- 55) What does the INA expect regarding to new car technology? To _____
- A) open a market for solar cars
 - B) stop gasoline vehicles running
 - C) decrease the use of gas-energy cars
 - D) implement the growth of alternative-energy cars
- 56) How did gas-electric hybrid cars appear in Costa Rica in 2004?
- A) As an INA's innovation
 - B) With the arrival of Mitsubishi's i-MiEV
 - C) With the arrival of the Reva from India
 - D) In the form of Toyota's top-selling Prius

Read the text.

TREATING OTHERS WITH RESPECT

Treating people with respect makes your world a nicer place to live in, whether it's at home, at school, or out in your community. All you have to do is to treat people the way you would like to have them treat you. Here are a few ideas:

- Don't insult people or make fun of them.
- Listen to others when they speak.
- Value other people's opinions and be considerate of people's likes and dislikes.
- Don't talk about people behind their backs.
- Be sensitive to other people's feelings.
- Don't pressure someone to do something.
- Try to learn others' cultural backgrounds and never stereotype them.
- Even though racism is still present in today's society, don't go along with prejudices and racist attitudes because it affects the relationships among people.



Adapted from www.goodcharacter.com

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

57) A way to live in harmony is by _____.

- A) treating people respectfully
- B) feeling antipathy to opinions
- C) interrupting others when they talk
- D) ignoring people's likes and dislikes

58) People must respect each other by _____.

- A) being racist
- B) having stereotypes
- C) being a good listener
- D) making fun of people

- 59) People can show respect to others by _____.
- A) being inconsiderate to them
 - B) accepting stereotyped ideas
 - C) treating people the way they want to be treated
 - D) mistreating people because of their cultural background
- 60) Racist behavior _____.
- A) is not common nowadays
 - B) is considered appropriate in today's societies
 - C) negatively influences interpersonal relationships
 - D) does not interfere with personal relationships among people
- 61) People's lives become more motivating if they _____.
- A) share racist attitudes
 - B) live without any prejudices
 - C) only focus on their own culture
 - D) try to change other people's ideas

Read the text.

ETHICAL DILEMMAS IN SCHOOLS

Discrimination is considered a serious offense in schools. Teachers should raise awareness about discrimination before they notice any specific instances. If they have already observed one of their students being harassed, they should immediately report it to a school official.

Teachers are expected to intervene in unethical situations they observe. Holding a student accountable for inappropriate decisions discourages future irregularity, and serves as an example for their peers. Acts of discrimination involve unfair treatment of a person or group on the basis of prejudice. Victims of discrimination are typically alienated by their peers due to different issues such as racial, origin, or cultural differences.



Cheating is one of the most common ethical dilemmas reported by teachers of older students. According to statistics, 80 percent of high school students who have good grades admit to cheating at some point in their lives. Of these, 95 percent claim that they have perfected their techniques and avoided getting caught. Not all cheating incidents are obvious; plagiarism, which involves replicating the thoughts of someone else and passing them off as your own, is also considered cheating.

Adapted from the Internet

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

- 62) When a discriminatory event occurs, teachers should _____.
- A) inform the police
 - B) punish the offender
 - C) report it to the principal
 - D) call the offender's parents

- 63) Stopping unethical situations _____.
- A) incites more discrimination
 - B) provokes new internal fights
 - C) makes the offended be ashamed
 - D) prevents the repetition of bad behavior
- 64) An example of an act of discrimination is _____.
- A) cheating at some point in life
 - B) intervening in ethical situations
 - C) replicating the thoughts of someone else
 - D) participating in unfair treatment to hurt others
- 65) It is a fact that some students reject others because of _____.
- A) ethnic issues
 - B) family dilemmas
 - C) their current age
 - D) their cheating system
- 66) As a matter of fact, plagiarism is _____.
- A) a kind of cheating
 - B) a type of insolence
 - C) common harassment
 - D) intolerance among students

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- B) wide band Internet
- C) the role of telecommunication
- D) the disadvantage of mass media

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- D) are less developed in terms of the Internet than Latin America

Read the text.

LATIN AMERICAN WEB ACCESS COULD DOUBLE IN A DECADE

Latin America is the world's fastest-growing market for Internet access. It could double within a decade. "I think this is the decade of the region in many ways," said the vice president of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN).

Internet market penetration is found in about 30 percent of Latin American households. About 1,700 participants from 150 countries attended the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers conference. The participants came from governmental and private organizations to discuss Internet use, access, new codes and security.



ICANN is a nongovernmental organization that regulates Internet registrations and coordinates the Web's international resources, such as usernames and Internet addresses. Africa has a bigger problem than Latin America in all types of infrastructure, obviously the telecommunications infrastructure and of course the Internet is included.

Adapted from www.ticotimes.net

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

67) The Latin American region presents _____.

- A) a decrease in web access
- B) deficient Internet companies
- C) more growth in Internet access
- D) problems with the Web infrastructure

68) The participants at the conference _____.

- A) came from fifteen countries
- B) talked about problems in Latin America
- C) mentioned the addresses of all the users
- D) belonged to public and private organizations

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