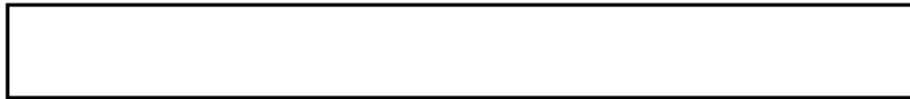




PRUEBAS DE ACCESO A LA UNIVERSIDAD L.O.G.S.E.

CURSO 2.001 - 2.002 - CONVOCATORIA:

LENGUA EXTRANJERA : I N G L É S



WONDERFUL GRANDMOTHER

Today, March 30th 2002, Britain's beloved Queen Mother has died peacefully in her sleep at the age of 101, Buckingham Palace announced.

The former Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon, wife of Britain's King George VI and mother of Queen Elizabeth II, had become increasingly delicate in previous weeks following her bad cough and chest infection over Christmas. The Queen Mother died at 3.15 p.m. on Saturday at Royal Lodge, Windsor, with her daughter the Queen at her bedside. Her other daughter, Princess Margaret, aged 71, had died just two months before and the Queen Mother travelled to her funeral by helicopter since she was too sick to make the journey by car.

On hearing the sad news, her eldest grandson, Prince Charles, who was skiing in Switzerland, said he was "completely desolate". Some days later he said in an emotional TV address: "Somehow I never thought her death would come. She was the most magical grandmother you could possibly have and I was absolutely devoted to her."

One of her other grandchildren, Prince Edward, who was also abroad revealed his sentiments saying: "We each had an individual and unique relationship with our grandmother. She was very, very special."

Tributes to the hugely popular figurehead soon began to arrive, with Prime Minister Tony Blair paying tribute to the "grace, sense of duty and remarkable enthusiasm for life" which had made the Queen Mother so admired by people of all ages.

More than 500,000 people are thought to have paid tribute to her by the time she was finally put to rest at Windsor, alongside the body of her husband King George VI and the ashes of her daughter Princess Margaret.

1.- Based on the ideas of the text, answer the following questions using your own words as far as possible. (25 words max.) (2 points)

- a) –What circumstance did Prince Charles and Prince Edward have in common at the time of their grandmother’s death?
- b) – Why wasn’t Queen Elizabeth’s sister present when her mother died?

2.- Say whether the following sentences are TRUE or FALSE according to the text. Copy the evidence from the text. No marks will be given without the evidence. (1 point)

- a) – The Queen Mother started to have health problems just two months before she died.
- b) – The Queen Mother’s body was buried beside her husband and her daughter.

3.- Choose ONLY THREE of the following words and write a synonym (=), an opposite (≠), a definition or a sentence to show that you understand their meaning in the text. Use your own words. (1.5 points)

- a) - desolate
- b) - revealed
- c) - sentiments
- d) - hugely
- e) - remarkable
- f) - admired

4.- Write down three grammatically correct and meaningful sentences by matching both columns. ONLY THREE of them are correct. (1.5 points)

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Everybody know she was not like these people	the Prince of Wales was deeply affected.
Queen Elizabeth’s mother’s coffin was expected	which lose their temper easily.
Judging from his words and expressions,	as an irreplaceable loss to the whole nation.

5.- Write a composition of about 100 words on ONE of the following topics. (4 points)

- a) – The Queen Mother was fortunate to have received care and affection in her old age. Many old people are not given the same treatment. How and why do you think old people should be looked after?
- b) – What is your opinion on monarchies? Are they relevant nowadays?

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- a) - They were both absent – abroad – away – on holidays – having a good time far away from London, etc.

- b) - She was already dead. She had died two months before, (previously).

2.- Say whether the following sentences are TRUE or FALSE according to the text. Copy the evidence from the text. No marks will be given without the evidence. (1 point)

- a) - FALSE: had become increasingly delicate in previous weeks following her bad cough and chest infection over Christmas.

- b) - TRUE: she was finally put to rest at Windsor, alongside the body of her husband King George VI and the ashes of her daughter Princess Margaret.

3.- Choose ONLY THREE of the following words and write a synonym (=), an opposite (≠), a definition or a sentence to show that you understand their meaning in the text. Use your own words. (1.5 points)

- a) - broken, destroyed

- b) - said, described

- c) - feelings, emotions

- d) – immensely, amazingly

- e) – impressive, astonishing

- f) – beloved, respected

4.- Write down three grammatically correct and meaningful sentences by matching both columns. ONLY THREE of them are correct. (1.5 points)

- Prime Minister Tony Blair described the Queen Mother's death as an irreplaceable loss to the whole nation

- Queen Elizabeth's mother's coffin was expected to be transferred to the Royal Chapel on Sunday.
- Judging from his words and expressions, the Prince of Wales was deeply affected.