



MATERIAL SEMANAL 4º SEC

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ALUMNOS QUE ESTUVIERON EN TERCERO DE SECUNDARIA CON EL PROFESOR:

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ACTIVITY 1

1. Read the text. Then do the following exercises.

Last month we asked our readers to write and tell us about a special relationship in their lives. Thank you to everyone who wrote in; we enjoyed reading all your stories. Over the next few weeks, we'll be publishing some of your entries.

A friend for life

My friends have always been incredibly important to me as I'm an only child but one friend in particular, Clare, has always been special to me. We've known each other for almost twenty years and we met when we were both teaching at the same school. As soon as she introduced herself I knew that we would be friends. It was clear that we were very much on the same wavelength and had a lot in common - we're both very keen on sports amongst other things and after a couple of months we decided to share a flat together.

What is it that makes her such a good friend? Well, she's totally dependable, funny, tolerant, generous, kind-hearted and almost always upbeat. I can honestly say that in all the years I've known her we've hardly ever fallen out and if we have an argument, we make up very quickly. I really enjoy her company and we can spend hours together just messing around. We have the same sense of humour and spend a lot of time laughing at the silliest things.

Unfortunately, I had to move away recently because I'd been offered a new teaching job. I was worried that we might lose touch as we're no longer in the

same country but we've managed to stay as close as ever. Clare is really good at keeping in touch with her family and friends and thanks to phone and email we're able to speak or write to one another almost every day.

Last year she invited me to Canada during the summer holiday to spend time with her family. It was so good to see where she grew up. Her childhood was so different from mine as she was brought up in the country while I grew up in a big city. She's the oldest of six children and the only one who didn't stay close to home so when she goes home she has a lot of catching up to do.

I can't imagine her not being in my life and I must say that I feel incredibly lucky to have her as a friend.

A) Read this magazine article. Are the statements true (T) or false (F)?

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| The writer is a teacher. | <u> T </u> |
| 1 The writer doesn't have any brothers or sisters. | ___ |
| 2 Clare and the writer enjoy doing the same things. | ___ |
| 3 Clare is always happy. | ___ |
| 4 Clare and the writer have never had an argument. | ___ |
| 5 The writer recently met Clare's family. | ___ |



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ACTIVITY 2

1. Complete the sentences with the correct form of *do, be or have*.

- 1 We _____ seen our new neighbours yet.
- 2 _____ Harry keep in touch with his cousins now that they've moved to France?
- 3 A: We really enjoy looking at old photos. B: _____ you?
- 4 A: Is Maria an only child? B: Yes, she _____ .
- 5 Sally _____ already seen this film so why don't we watch something else?

2. Choose the correct answer in *italics*.

- 1 We *have / are having* two dogs and a cat.
- 2 Carla *doesn't play / isn't playing* tennis as well as she normally does.
- 3 We *learn / are learning* Italian for our next holiday.
- 4 I *don't understand / am not understanding* why Steve gets so angry all the time.
- 5 Luis *always does / is always doing* his homework before supper.



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ACTIVITY 3

1. Read these film reviews and choose the correct answers.

Avatar (2009)

One of the most successful films of all time, *Avatar* (directed by James Cameron) tells the story of a reluctant hero who sets off on an epic adventure to save the alien world he has learned to call home. Now available in 3-D and 2-D this visually spectacular film is a must-see for all the family with important messages for both young and old.

The Proposal (2009)

An ambitious and obnoxious boss (played by Sandra Bullock) hears that she will have to return to Canada as her visa has run out. To avoid deportation, she forces her young assistant (Ryan Reynolds) to marry her so that she can stay in the United States legally. After many crazy adventures to prove to his family that they do actually love one another, they finally really fall in love. This is a good old-fashioned feel-good comedy which is the perfect vehicle for both stars.

A Nightmare on Elm Street (2010)

As a fan of horror films, I was looking forward to this remake of the Wes Craven cult classic which first appeared on our screens almost twenty years ago. Terrifying when it first came out, this remake, however, doesn't compare in any way. The special effects are laughable and the acting is wooden. I'd recommend watching the original any day and I certainly hope they don't bother to remake the others.

The Young Victoria (2009)

Nominated for three Academy Awards and winner of Best Costume Design, this is a perfectly crafted period drama. The film stars Emily Blunt as the young Queen Victoria and Rupert Friend as her husband Albert. It tells the story of the first few years of her reign with all the dramas and emotions that a young woman in her

position would have to face. The acting by both young stars is excellent and totally believable.

The Notebook (2004)

If you enjoy sickly sweet romantic films that unashamedly tug on the heart strings to make you cry, then this is most definitely the film for you. From the moment the film begins you know where it is taking you. Boy meets girl. Boy is poor and girl is rich. Girl's parents don't approve. Fast forward to years later ... Have your box of tissues to hand!

The Bourne Ultimatum (2007)

This is the third in the Bourne series starring the excellent Matt Damon. Filmed on location in Tangier, London, Paris, Madrid, Berlin and New York City, the story is fast-paced but to my mind rather confusing. My concentration was disturbed by the hand-held camera effect which meant that the film was constantly 'shaking'. I appreciate that this was supposed to heighten the tension but I found it almost impossible to focus in places.

1 *The Proposal*

- a entertaining b nonsense c moving

2 *A Nightmare on Elm Street*

- a gripping b annoying c rubbish

3 *The Young Victoria*

- a annoying b nonsense c moving

4 *The Notebook*

- a nonsense b nauseating c gripping

5 *The Bourne Ultimatum*

- a unwatchable b unrealistic c exciting



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ACTIVITY 4

1. **Complete the sentences with a suitable relative pronoun (*who, which, when, where, whose*).**

- 1 London is the city _____ I grew up.
- 2 2008 was _____ the Olympic Games were held in Beijing.
- 3 That's John _____ brother works in television.
- 4 The woman _____ you were talking to at the party is a well-known journalist.
- 5 I don't read tabloid newspapers _____ are full of gossip.

2. **Choose the correct answer in *italics*.**

- 1 I *worked* / *was working* as a journalist for 15 years.
- 2 I *didn't understand* / *wasn't understanding* the film even after Tom explained it to me.
- 3 We *read* / *were reading* the Sunday papers when Julia called.
- 4 Marina *watched* / *was watching* five DVDs on Saturday.
- 5 Susan *talked* / *was talking* to her colleague when her boss came into the office.



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ACTIVITY 5

What does the expression “Be careful with what you eat” mean to you? Write an essay explaining this statement:

- Introduce the topic (paragraph 1)
- Include ideas that agree with the expression (paragraphs 2)
- What else makes us who we are? eg exercise (paragraph 3)
- Give your opinion about the topic (paragraph 4)
- Use linking words
- Use formal language.

Write 100 words.
