

UNIVERSIDADES DE ANDALUCÍA PRUEBA DE ACCESO A LA UNIVERSIDAD

ANÁLISIS DE TEXTO EN LENGUA EXTRANJERA (INGLÉS)

Instrucciones:	a) Duración: Una hora.
	b) La puntuación de cada pregunta está indicada en las mismas.

CITY OF GODS

For archaeologists and tourists, the monumental ruins of Mesoamerica are testimony to the complex civilizations that once lived there. But of all the great pre-Columbian metropolises in that region, the most magnificent one belonged to a people that remains nameless. The Aztecs, who lived there in the 15th century, were convinced it was built by supernatural beings and named the city *Teotihuacán* or 'Place of the Gods.' The origins and fate of the ancient inhabitants of Teotihuacán are a mystery to this day.

With an estimated population of 150,000, Teotihuacán was the largest city in Mesoamerica in its day (about A.D. 500) and one of the six largest in the world. It was larger even than Rome. There are only a few inscriptions in the ruins, and those are in a hieroglyphic language that archaeologists have not yet been able to decipher.

But last Autumn, an international research team decided to investigate the inside of the Pyramid of the Moon. It took them three months to reach the central chamber where they found a skeleton and 150 artifacts. One of the anthropologists declared: "It's a fantastic find, it may be the end of an enigma."

(A) COMPREHENSION (3 points; 1 per question)

ANSWER QUESTIONS 1-3 ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION GIVEN IN THE TEXT. USE YOUR OWN WORDS.

- 1) Who were the original inhabitants of Teotihuacán?
- 2) Is it easy to understand what the inscriptions mean? Why?
- 3) Why are archaeologists studying Teotihuacán?

(B) LEXICON (2 points; 0.5 points per question)

- 4) Find one opposite in the text for SIMPLE (adjective).
- 5) Find one opposite in the text for MODERN (adjective).
- 6) Find in the text the word which has the following definition: *'To read or find the meaning of something difficult or secret..'* (verb).
- 7) **Find** in the text **the word** which has the following **definition**:
 - 'A group of people doing something together.' (noun).

(C) GRAMMAR (2 points; 0.5 points per question)

- 8) Put the following sentence into reported speech:
 - He declared: "It's a fantastic find. It may be the end of an enigma."
- Put the following sentence into the passive voice: Nobody knows the real name of the city.
- 10) Give a question to this answer:
 - I have studied History for the last ten years.
- 11) Join the following sentences with a relative pronoun:

This is Mr. Cooper. You saw his photograph yesterday.

(D) PRODUCTION (3 points)

WRITE A COMPOSITION (80-100 WORDS). CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS. SPECIFY YOUR OPTION.

12) **a.** Advantages and disadvantages of living in a large city.

b. Are you interested in mysteries and/or enigmas? Why?

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