

UNIVERSIDADES DE ANDALUCÍA PRUEBA DE ACCESO A LA UNIVERSIDAD

ANÁLISIS DE TEXTO EN LENGUA EXTRANJERA (INGLÉS)

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

SOUND ON THE UNDERGROUND

There is an old verb **to busk**, meaning to *improvise*, and it is from this word that **busker** is derived, to describe a street musician or performer. There have been buskers on the London Underground for as long as anyone can remember. You do not always see them, but you can hear them: the sound travels for miles along the subterranean tunnels.

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Some are serious musicians attracted by near-perfect acoustics. Others are little more than beggars who see it as an easy way of making money. The guitar is probably the most common choice of instrument but you can also hear American banjos and Irish bagpipes.

Busking on the Underground is always illegal, it does not matter which instrument you play. Fines, which can be anything up to 200 pounds, are regularly imposed by the London Transport Police.

10 Why it is illegal is unclear. The police maintain that buskers obstruct the corridors and their music interferes with information from loudspeakers. Buskers say that they actually help passengers in difficulty and make women traveling alone feel more secure.

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

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

- 1) Is to become a busker a matter of money? Why?
- 2) What do the London Transport Police do if they catch a busker?
- 3) How could passengers benefit from buskers?

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

- 4) Find in the text the word which has the following definition:
 - 'A long passage which has been made under the ground.' (noun).
- 5) Find in the text one synonym for ELECTION (noun).
- 6) Find in the text the word which has the following definition:
 - 'Sum of money that must be paid as a punishment for breaking the law or rule.' (noun).
- 7) Give one synonym for SECURE (adjective) (line 12).

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

- 8) Put the following sentence into the passive voice:
 - Buskers have always used a lot of different instruments.
- Complete the following sentence with the correct forms of the verbs in brackets: If I (KNOW) how to play the guitar, I (PLAY) it at parties.
- 10) Join the following sentences in an appropriate way. Make changes if necessary (do not use AND):
 - My neighbours usually travel by train. My neighbours do not like driving.
- 11) Put the following sentence into reported speech:

A passenger said: "John will become a busker if he does not study hard."

(D) PRODUCTION (3 points)

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

12) a. How dangerous is your city? Why?

b. If I were a busker...