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MATERIA: INGLÉS

INSTRUCCIONES GENERALES Y VALORACIÓN

Después de leer atentamente el texto y los enunciados de las cuestiones que se presentan abajo, responda en INGLÉS a dichas cuestiones.

CALIFICACIÓN: Las cuestiones 1ª, 2ª y 4ª se valorarán sobre 2 puntos cada una, la pregunta 3ª sobre 1 punto y la pregunta 5ª sobre 3 puntos.

TIEMPO: 60 minutos.

Active Villagers

Residents of a small Welsh-speaking community have teamed up together to buy the post office and shop, ten years after buying the pub. The people of Llithfaen, Caernarfonshire were determined to prevent their village losing its focal point. Ten years ago they paid £40,000 for the pub, called the Victoria, and now they have helped to keep the shop open. Most of the cost, £19,500, was met by the local council and a European Union grant, but the villagers needed to raise a further £6,000 to buy the shop from the owner who is retiring.

John Jones, chairman of the community committee, said: "We went around every house and came back with £500 more than we needed. The post office and the pub are essential to the life of the village. There are no other amenities. We were not prepared to stand by and let the heart and soul be ripped out of our community. No one else was going to help us so we decided to buy them ourselves".

Llithfaen had a population of 600 but that halved when the nearby vegetable canning factory was closed. The primary school was shut because of the population decline but the locals turned it into a leisure centre and youth club.

The shop has been leased to Ffion Medi Llywelyn, 24, who lives in the village with her husband, Dillon. She said: "There is a wonderful community spirit here."

Questions

1. Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Write down the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE. (2 PUNTOS)

- a) Llithfaen residents raised a total of 6,000 pounds to help buying the shop.
- b) The primary school building was demolished

2. In your own words, explain the following sentences from the text (Maximum 15 words each). (2 PUNTOS)

- a) Why did the residents of Llithfaen want to buy the local shop?
- b) About how many inhabitants were there in Llithfaen at the moment this article was written? How do you know that?

3. Find a synonym for the following words, according to their meaning, in the text (1 PUNTO):

- a) (Paragraph 1) joined forces
- b) (Paragraph 1) made a firm decision
- c) (Paragraph 2) eliminated
- d) (Paragraph 3) neighbouring

4 Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets, when given. (2 PUNTOS)

- a) Write the following in reported speech:
John Jones said " We have bought the shop this year and we are going to build a new bus station next year"
- b) The pub was _____ expensive than the shop.
- c) The primary school _____ to be shut _____ to the population decline.
- d) If the local council _____ (buy) the shop last year, the residents _____ (not need) to raise any money now

5. Write about 50 words about one of the following topics. (Choose only one topic) (3 PUNTOS).

- a) Which is more comfortable, city life or life in a village? Why?
- b) Comment this statement: " People must leave their villages and towns and move to areas with great job prospects"