

UNIVERSIDAD DE CASTILLA-LA MANCHA

Prueba de Aptitud para el Acceso a la Universidad (Bachillerato L.O.G.S.E.)

IDIOMA EXTRANJERO: Inglés

- No se permite el uso de diccionario ni de ningún otro material didáctico.
- Las preguntas deberán ser respondidas en Inglés.
- Duración de la prueba: 1 hora y 30 minutos.

AFTERNOON TEA

Anna, the 7th Duchess of Bedford is nearly always credited with the invention of the tradition of afternoon tea in the early 1840's. Traditionally, dinner was not served until 8:30 or 9:00 in the evening and the Duchess often became hungry, especially in the summer when dinner was served even later. She ordered a small meal of bread, butter, and other niceties, such as cakes, tarts, and biscuits, to be brought secretly to her private rooms. When everybody found out about it, she was not ridiculed, as she had feared, but her habit caught on and the concept of a small meal, of niceties and perhaps tea, became popular and was eventually called "afternoon tea."

By the middle of the nineteenth century, the complex set of rules and etiquette surrounding the social custom of women visiting each other for tea was well developed. When tea was served the hostess sat at one end of the table and supervised its pouring for her guests. Even when the British "lord" of the house was present it was the woman's responsibility to serve tea.

Obviously, the origins of the well known British tradition of afternoon tea cannot be attributed to only one woman. It evolved over a period of time, as many cultural customs do.

QUESTIONS

I- READING COMPREHENSION. 2 POINTS (0.5 for each correct answer)

Which of the following options is correct in the context of the passage?

- 1 – In the early 1840's dinner was served.....
 - a) before 8:30.
 - b) from 8:30 onwards.
 - c) late in the afternoon.
- 2 – When people found out about the Duchess of Bedford's afternoon tea.....
 - a) she was made an object of laughter.
 - b) people made fun of her habit.
 - c) her habit became a widespread custom.

3 – By 1850,

- a) there were simple principles for “afternoon tea.”
- b) there was an elaborate and sophisticated protocol for “afternoon tea.”
- c) there was an initial set of rules for “afternoon tea.”

4 – Who was responsible for serving tea?

- a) The British “lord” of the house.
- b) The hostess.
- c) A maidservant.

II- EXPRESSING THE MAIN IDEAS. 2 points. (1 for each correct answer)

Answer the following questions according to the information given in the text. Where possible, use your own words.

1- Why did the 7th Duchess of Bedford start having afternoon tea?

2- What was the difference between the afternoon tea the Duchess had in her private rooms and the social custom it became in the nineteenth century?

III- USE OF ENGLISH (3 points; 0.5 for each correct answer)

Rewrite the following sentences starting with the words given.

1 – If your friend doesn’t come before ten, he will miss the train.

Unless

2 – The children stayed at home because it was raining.

As

3 – “What time do the banks close today?”

Tim asked me

4 – Sharon hasn’t eaten junk food since last May.

Sharon stopped

5 – My kitchen is being redecorated at the moment.

I am

6 – I’m not sure that she is his girlfriend.

She

IV- COMPOSITION. (About 100 words) (3 points max.)

Choose ONE of the following options. Specify your option.

A) What is your main meal of the day? When and where do you have it? Are your eating habits different at the weekend?

B) How do you feel about eating meat? What do you think is the point of view of a vegetarian?