

**PRUEBA DE ACCESO Y ADMISIÓN A LA
UNIVERSIDAD**
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**LENGUA EXTRANJERA
(Inglés)**

Instrucciones: a) Duración: 1 h.30m. b) No se permite el uso de diccionario. c) La puntuación está indicada en las preguntas. d) Se debe realizar una de las dos opciones A o B completa, sin mezclar las respuestas.

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2 **OPTION B:** **OUR LOVE FOR PETS**

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4 While humans like to think of ourselves as the strongest, smartest species, it's increasingly clear that many of us are simply slaves to our
5pets. We may think we own our pets, but it's actually the other way round.

6 The latest evidence of this can be found at Ikea. The Scandinavian company recently launched a range of pet furniture called Lurvig, which
7means "hairy" in Swedish. To me, this proves that our obsession with our best friends is getting out of hand. We are spending huge amounts of
8money on them. Global sales of pet products in 2016 were \$103.5 billion; a 4.7% increase over 2015, which is an enormous growth rate.

9 Why are we spending so much money on our animal companions? Well, basically because we seem to think pets are people and treat them
10as such. A survey conducted in 2015 found that 95% of US pet owners consider their pets part of the family —up from 88% in 2007. And it's not
11just Americans; another survey this year claims that 56% of Brits plan to spend more money on Christmas presents for their pets than on gifts
12for their human family.

13 Nowhere is the humanisation of pets more clearly reflected than in their diets. Despite the fact that dogs will happily eat anything, their
14meals have become a gourmet affair —the ingredients of which tend to say more about the taste of their owners than animal appetites.

15 I could go on talking to you about this, but I'm afraid I've got a gluten-free meal to prepare for my dog's supper tonight, and he doesn't like to
16be kept waiting.

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COMPREHENSION (4 points)

CHOOSE AND WRITE THE CORRECT OPTION (A, B, C or D). (0.5 points each)

According to the author...

- 23(a) animals should be treated like humans. (b) our love for pets has gone a bit too far.
24(c) pets are treated like slaves by their owners. (d) Americans spend more than Brits on their pets.

We treat animals so well because...

- 26(a) they tend to eat everything. (b) they are smarter than humans.
27(c) we view them as humans. (d) we want them to keep fit.

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