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EJERCICIO Nº páginas: 2

OPTION A

SELFIE

- Even as little as ten years ago, the idea of pointing a camera at your own face and taking a picture which you later share with a random group of people would have been considered unusual, a bit weird, ostentatious even. These days however, it's not only a perfectly acceptable but also a fashionable thing to do, as the popularity of social media steers us on a course of self-interest epitomized by the selfie.
- A selfie is a picture of yourself that you take using a camera on a mobile phone or other hand-held device, usually composed of no more than head and shoulders. Selfies are often taken with a pose and/or camera angle that attempts to add a little something unique —not just a conventional picture of someone looking straight at the camera.
- The domain of the selfie is almost always digital –they are not printed, framed and put on the mantelpiece, but circulated via mobile phones, tablets, etc. for consumption by fellow partakers of social media. Arguably this is the key to their appeal –we can use them to remind each other of what we actually look like, or to put a face to names where acquaintance is restricted to the online universe.

QUESTIONS

- [1] FOLLOWING THE INSTRUCTIONS, ANSWER QUESTIONS A, B, C (3 POINTS AS A WHOLE).
- A. Answer the following question <u>using your own words</u> (10 to 20 words) (1 point).

What is a selfie?

- B. Are the following statements *true* or *false*? Indicate the line(s) in the text supporting your choice (1.5 points as a whole: 0.5 points each).
 - B1. Taking a selfie is a trendy action.
 - B2. Selfies may be taken in artificial positions.
 - B3. Selfies are printed pictures you send to your friends and family.

C. Choose a, b or c in the question below. Only one choice is correct (0.5 points).

According to the text, selfies are normally distributed...

- a) via mobile phones.
- b) via ordinary mail.
- c) via fax.

[2] COMPLETE TASKS a, b, c, d ACCORDING TO THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN (2 POINTS AS A WHOLE: 0.5 EACH).

- a) Complete: If I had a smartphone ...
- b) Rewrite into the passive voice:

A recent study found that posting photos of oneself correlates with lower levels of intimacy.

- c) Write a question for which the underlined words are the answer:

 Selfies are typically taken either with a camera held at arm's length or in a mirror.
- d) Transform into reported speech:

I took this picture of myself looking at the mirror, Robert said.

[3] VOCABULARY (1 POINT AS A WHOLE: 0.2 EACH).

- Find one word in the text for each of the following meanings:
 - a) characterized by pretentious, showy, or vulgar display.
 - **b**) a way of standing or sitting, especially in order to be photographed, painted, or drawn
- Find synonyms in the text for each of the words below:
 - c) leads
 - d) exemplified
 - e) attractiveness

[4] WRITE ABOUT THE FOLLOWING TOPIC USING BETWEEN 100-120 WORDS (4 POINTS).

Do you enjoy taking selfies? Why? When?