

**Proves d'Accés per a Majors de 25 i 45 anys**  
**Pruebas de Acceso para mayores de 25 y 45 años**

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**Assignatura: ANGLÉS**  
**Asignatura: INGLÉS**



**OBSERVACIONS/OBSERVACIONES:**

*Llegiu el text següent amb atenció, almenys dues vegades, i responeu després, en anglés i en un full d'examen a banda, les cinc preguntes formulades. Hi disposeu d'una hora. En les preguntes (1) i (5) heu d'evitar la reproducció literal de l'original.*

Lea con detenimiento, al menos dos veces, el siguiente texto y responda a continuación, en inglés y en la hoja de respuestas, a las cinco preguntas formuladas. Para ello dispone de una hora. En las preguntas (1) y (5) deberá evitar la reproducción literal del original.

**TEXT**

**WHY DO PEOPLE GET A TATTOO?**

Angela's friend, Mike, had recently got a tattoo. She was so impressed by his bravery that she decided to get one too. In the tattoo room she lay, quiet and unmoving, for thirty minutes while a stranger repeatedly used sharp needles to tattoo a picture on her skin. Many young people get tattoos just because their friends have them. Group pressure, media influence, and personal expression are some of the common reasons for wearing tattoos today.

The desire to be part of a group, to be accepted by one's friends, can have a great influence on what a person does. Sometimes, a tattoo can be a sign that you belong to a certain group. Gangs often use special clothes and tattoos to identify the members of their group.

The media is another big influence behind the popularity of tattoos. Famous sports heroes and fashion models wear tattoos. These media images link tattoos to ideas of riches, success, and status.

Many people wear tattoos to express their artistic nature, their beliefs, or their feelings; in other words, to show their individuality. A tattoo can be a public sign to show what is important in a person's life.

As you can see, a tattoo can be part of a particular group's identity, a sign of fashion, or an expression of individuality. The decision to get a tattoo is often a result of the influence of friends or the media or the desire to express oneself. For Angela, it was a mixture of all three.

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## QUESTIONS

**1. State in your own words what the text means by (paragraph 2) ( 2 marks):**

"The desire to be part of a group, to be accepted by one's friends, can have a great influence on what a person does".

**2. Decide whether the following statements are true or false, according to the text. Write T or F. If the answer is not mentioned in the text, mark it false. (2 marks; -0.5 for each wrong answer)**

- a) Many young people get a tattoo to imitate their friends.
- b) If you wear a tattoo, it is because you belong to a gang.
- c) Some people wear tattoos similar to those that fashion models wear.
- d) In the media, tattoos are associated with prosperity.

**3. These words and expressions are found in the text: SHARP, GROUP, MEDIA, BELONG, LINK, SUCCESS, RESULT, MIXTURE. Choose the ones that mean the same as the following. (2 marks)**

- a) are part of
- b) connect
- c) cutting
- d) triumph

**4. Choose the best option (a, b or c), according to the text. Only one answer is correct. (2 marks)**

- 1. Angela thought her friend was ...
  - a) old-fashioned.
  - b) courageous.
  - c) cowardly.
  
- 2. Angela ...
  - a) wanted to lay for thirty minutes.
  - b) wanted a tattoo.
  - c) was feeling strange.
  
- 3. Some people get tattoos because ...
  - a) they think they will wash off in the bath.
  - b) they like pain.
  - c) they think it is fashionable.
  
- 4. Angela wanted to get a tattoo because ...
  - a) she wanted to express herself.
  - b) she was influenced by her friend and the media.
  - c) both a) and b).

**5. Answer the questions using your own words. (25 to 50 words) (2 marks; -0.2 for each question if too many or not enough words)**

- 1. Do you like tattoos? Why? Why not?
- 2. What do tattoos reveal about an individual's personality?