

EXERCICI 3: PRIMERA LLENGUA ESTRANGERA - ANGLÉS I i II EJERCICIO 3: PRIMERA LENGUA EXTRANJERA - INGLÉS I y II (Durada / Duración: 1 h)

Read the following text

Kolkata (previously known as Calcutta) is the famous capital of West Bengal in India. It is the home of nearly 15 million people. Traffic jams and engine fumes begin early in the morning with long lines of private cars, public buses, taxis, scooters etc. There aren't many alternatives. You can catch a train through the city or take the underground but sooner or later you must go on foot. However, walking in Kolkata is a dangerous activity. Therefore, drivers blow their horns when they see pedestrians. The sound never stops from morning to night.

If you miss your bus and there aren't any taxis, you can always find a rickshaw (a traditional way of transport). The driver takes you from your house to the market and waits for you. Then he helps you with all your purchases, takes you back home and helps you unload. This is the only public transport that offers this kind of service.

From June to September, Kolkata gets heavy rainfall. Sometimes it rains for 48 hours without a break. In the older parts of the city, the roads flood. Anything with an engine is useless. But the rick-shaw drivers never stop working, even with water all around them.

But not everyone thinks rickshaws are a good thing. Some local officials and politicians want to ban rickshaws on 'humanitarian grounds. They believe it is wrong for one man to pull another person when there is modern transport in the city. However, there is a problem with this plan. Many of the rickshaw drivers come from the countryside with no job and no qualifications. The only job they can find in Kolkata is pulling a rickshaw. Therefore, Kolkata's citizens still go by rickshaw.

Source: From National Geographic texts to be adapted



1. Answer the following questions using your own words but taking into account the information in the text. (3 marks)

- a) What is the other name of Kolkata?
- b) What kind of transport is used in Kolkata when you can't take a bus or a taxi?
- c) Why do rickshaw drivers come from the countryside to the city?

2. Decide if the following sentences are TRUE (T) or FALSE (F). Find evidence in the text to support your answers. (1,5 marks)

a) There is only a public transport that takes you to the market and helps you load and unload your purchases.

- b) It rains heavily in Kolkata from June to September.
- c) Some local officials and politicians do not agree with the use of rickshaws in Kolkata.

3. Find the right words from the text for these definitions: (2,5 marks)

- a) known and recognized by many people
- b) one of two or more available possibilities

c) acquisition of goods or services in exchange for a payment of some kind (the payment is usually in cash or credit card)

d) take or carry (people or goods) from one place to another by means of a vehicle, aircraft or ship

e) people that live in a specific area

4. Composition (130-150 words approximately). (3 marks)

City and transport.

Write about your city and the possibilities of transport when going to your working center.

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recció gramatical (morfologia, sintaxi i ortografia), la cor-	 Se tendrá en cuenta la coherencia del tema, la correc- ción gramatical (morfología, sintaxis y ortografía), la co- rrecta elección del vocabulario y la capacidad de comuni- cación.
	 El ejercicio se calificará con una puntuación numérica entre 0 y 10 puntos, sin decimales, y se considerarán ne- gativas las calificaciones inferiores a 5.