

EXERCICI 8: SEGONA LLENGUA ESTRANGERA - ANGLÉS I i II
EJERCICIO 8: SEGUNDA LENGUA EXTRANJERA - INGLÉS I y II

(Duració / Duración: 1 h 30 min)

Were the Beijing Winter Olympics “green and clean”?

China promised a “green and clean” 2022 Winter Olympics, emphasizing protection of native species, reducing emissions, and minimizing resource use. However, Olympic ski runs in Yanking’s nature reserve, equivalent to over a thousand football pitches, required removing 20,000 trees despite early alerts from Chinese biologists in 2015.

The Beijing Organising Committee (BOC) faced criticism for the site’s environmental risks, with concerns on Chinese social media being censored. BOC promised to transplant trees, claiming a 90% survival score, but experts like Dr Carmen de Jong warn of increased erosion, pollution, and habitat loss.

Although Yanking does not get much snow, Beijing has promised to offer excellent snow for all places, needing 1.2 million cubic meters of artificial snow, which uses a lot of energy and water. As they try to have a Games without adding to carbon emissions by using renewable energy, critics highlight that China still relies a lot on fossil fuels.

In summary, the Winter Olympics in China aimed to be good for the environment but received criticism for disturbing natural areas, snow production needing a lot of energy, and continuing need for fossil fuels.

Text adapted from: BBC Reality Check

1. Answer the following questions related to the text. Use your own words (3 marks)

- a) What were China’s environmental goals for the Winter Olympics in 2022? (1 mark)
- b) How did making ski hills in Yanking’s natural area affect the environment? (1 mark)
- c) Why was Dr. Carmen de Jong worried about transplanting trees? (1 mark)

2. Decide if the following sentences are True (T) or False (F). (1,5 marks)

- a) China’s promise for a “green and clean” 2022 Winter Olympics was not completely finished. (0,5 marks)

- b) The BOC received criticism for environmental risks at Olympic ski runs in Yanking's nature reserve, with censored concerns on Chinese social media. (0,5 marks)
- c) China's 2022 Winter Olympics were congratulated for their excellent management with environment. (0,5 marks)

3. Find the word in the text for these definitions. (2,5 marks)

- a) asked for something necessary in a particular situation (0,5 marks)
- b) introduction of harmful substances into the environment (0,5 marks)
- c) dealt with a difficult situation or problem (0,5 marks)
- d) worries that causes someone to feel anxious (0,5 marks)
- e) emphasize, to make something important (0,5 marks)

4. Composition (3 marks)

Write a composition on the following topic: How could the Valencian region become "greener and cleaner"? Give your opinion.

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