

Deberes 4º A INGLÉS:

## Home and Away: Reading Text

### Home and Away A site for young people on exchange visits

*Are you going on an exchange visit soon? How much information do you know about your destination? Have you got any questions about its universities, its football pitches or its markets? Check out our students' forum for some helpful information and read about other students' experiences away from home.*

#### Anthony Roberts from Bolton, England

Right now, I'm sitting on the beach and having a picnic with some friends. Why is this strange? Because I'm in the middle of Paris! How many beaches has Paris got? None. It hasn't got any real beaches, but every summer, they put sand along the River Seine and turn the middle of Paris into a beach.

Paris is such a fun place to spend time. There is always something interesting and unusual to do – and I'm learning a lot of French, too! I sometimes walk around the Montmartre area after my lessons. Many artists sit and paint on the streets there and I enjoy looking at their paintings. The Champs Elysées, a very well-known street in Paris, is my favourite place to shop. I also go to the Left Bank. That's an old and historic area of Paris. Come to Paris and see why I love it so much!

#### Lena Muller from Leipzig, Germany

I'm spending a month in Dublin, the capital of Ireland. I'm living with a wonderful family and learning English. One month isn't much time, but I'm having a lot of fun!

About 50% of Dublin's population is under the age of 25, so it's a great city for young people. The Irish love music and there are always exciting bands to listen to. U2, Westlife, Boyzone and some other famous bands all come from Dublin. I like traditional Irish music a lot, too!

I don't usually like sport, but here I often go to watch hurling matches. Hurling is an Irish sport like hockey. Players have got sticks (They call them hurleys!) and they use them to hit the ball into the other team's goal. There's also a game called Camogie. Only girls play camogie. It's similar to hurling, but the ball is smaller and some of the rules are different.

**Answer the questions. Is it TRUE(T) or FALSE (F). Explain your answer.**

1. There are real beaches in Paris
2. Paris is a very boring city
3. About half of the population in Dublin is very young.
4. Camoige and Hurley are typical Irish sports.

## Landmarks

### Australia's Most Famous Bridge

When people in Sydney, Australia want to go from one side of the harbour to the other, they use the Sydney Harbour Bridge. They cross the bridge by car, bike or train, or on foot. However, the Sydney Harbour Bridge isn't only a way to cross the water. The bridge is one of Australia's most well-known landmarks and there's more than one reason to visit it.

The bridge opened for traffic in 1932. By 1934, tourists were visiting it, too. There was a café on the bridge and a platform with telescopes to see the view over the harbour. There was also a museum about the Aborigines, the native people of Australia.

Today, tourists still come to see the view from the bridge, but there is a more exciting way to do this. Some people climb to the top of the bridge by walking over its arch.

These special climbing tours of the bridge started in 1998. They take three-and-a-half hours and they are an unforgettable experience. Does it sound like fun to you? Tours begin early in the morning and continue all day. There are also special night climbs. But don't forget to check the weather forecast. Safety is very important, so climbs don't take place in stormy weather or strong winds. All climbers must wear special clothes. Instructors also tie the climbers to a wire to make sure they don't fall.

Sydney Harbour Bridge has also become famous all over the world because it always plays an important part in Sydney's and Australia's celebrations. In photo 2 from 1988, Australia is celebrating its 200th anniversary. Many ships and boats are sailing under the bridge. Photo 3, from the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney, shows a moment from the Olympic marathon –the runners are crossing the bridge as they compete in the marathon. By the way, Australians don't only celebrate national celebrations on the bridge. Some people even get married there!

**Answer the following questions.** ( Dos o tres líneas máximo para cada pregunta)

1. How Australian people use the Harbour bridge?
2. What other things apart from a café, were there in the harbor bridge?
3. Describe the climbing tours on the bridge.
4. What kind of things people celebrate on the bridge?

Contestad a las preguntas, en inglés, y las mandáis en un Word o pdf por teams.

También os voy a colgar la actividad por ahí.

Tenéis toda esta semana para hacerlo. Del 27/04 al 4 de Mayo.