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MATERIA: Inglés

INTRUCCIONES GENERALES Y VALORACIÓN

TIEMPO: Una hora. Se recomienda dedicar cuarenta minutos para responder a las preguntas 1, 2, 3 y 4, y veinte minutos para la número 5.

Puntuación máxima: 10 puntos.

INSTRUCCIONES:

1. Haga una primera lectura cuidadosa del texto y de las preguntas.
2. Lea una segunda vez y conteste a las preguntas.
3. Conteste en LENGUA INGLESA.
4. Escriba sus respuestas en el cuadernillo de examen respetando el orden de las preguntas.

India's "Monkey Man"

A few years ago large districts in New Delhi had fears for their safety after dozens of people reported they were attacked by the nocturnal "monkey man." At least three people panicked and fell to their deaths from buildings because they were convinced the attacker was pursuing them. The attacker was described variously as a monkey-like creature with metallic claws and a cat with yellowish, glowing eyes.

Forensic experts and psychiatrists conducted detailed examinations of the victims of the attacks. In most of the cases, the injuries were found to be too superficial to be able to draw any conclusion. A newspaper reported that most of the wounds could have been self-inflicted. It was also found that many victims changed their statements on several occasions. Psychiatrists concluded that most of them were hysterical and could not be relied on. The experts said sensational media coverage of the "monkey man" episode had blown it up out of all proportion. It was due to unsubstantiated media reports that people were encouraged to come out with strange accounts of the creature though no one had actually seen it.

At the height of the panic, vigilante groups armed with sticks patrolled the streets at night on the lookout for the creature. Meanwhile, police announced a 50,000 rupee ($1,067) reward for information leading to its capture. Police said they received nearly 350 reports of sightings or attacks by the shadowy "monkey man." However, the conclusion of the Indian police was that the mysterious "monkey man" was simply the product of "mass hysteria."

QUESTIONS

1. Look at the following statements. Write T for true, F for false, and DK (don't know) if you cannot tell from the text. If it is true or false, copy the evidence from the text.

a. Nobody died during the "monkey man's reign of terror."

b. Some people tried to catch the "monkey man" in an unofficial way.

c. Experts believe that some newspapers invented the story of the "monkey man" to increase their sales.

(Calificación máxima: 3 puntos; no se obtendrán puntos por responder tan sólo T o F; se descontará medio punto por cada respuesta incorrecta)

2. Based on the ideas from the text, fill in the table below. (Calificación máxima: 1 punto)

Name two reasons why police and experts believed the "monkey man" did not exist.
a) What they saw when they examined the victims:
b) What they heard when they interviewed the victims:

3. Find the words or phrases in the text that mean:

a. sure (paragraph 1)

b. testimonies (paragraph 2)

c. because of (paragraph 2)

d. really (paragraph 2)

(Calificación máxima: 1 punto)

4. Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given.

a. The experts' report _____ (write) last weekend and _____ (make) public next week.

b. The *Hindustan Times* newspaper said that at least 35 of the victims examined _____ experts suffered from trauma, but fortunately _____ of them are in a critical condition.

c. Over the years, control of the printing press _____ (fall) into the hands of a few communicators _____ seem to reach ever increasing numbers of people.

Complete the following sentence to report what was said.

d. "What else did you see?" → I asked the girl ...

(Calificación máxima: 2 puntos)

5. Write about 60 to 100 words on ONE of the following topics. Do not copy from the text.

a. How strong is the influence of the mass media (the press, radio and television) on our society? Explain.

b. Do you believe in stories about creatures such as the Werewolf, the Abominable Snowman, Dracula, the Loch Ness Monster, or other such legends? Why?

(Calificación máxima: 3 puntos)