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## PRIMEIRA PARTE – PROBA A – EXERCICIO 1

Cualificación 10 x 0,7 puntos

### Don't Harsh Our Mellow, Dude

- 1 The caramel-chocolate flavored candy bar looked so innocent, like the Sky Bars I used to love  
2 as a child.
- 3 Sitting in my hotel room in Denver, I nibbled off the end and then, when nothing happened,  
4 nibbled some more. I figured if I was reporting on the social revolution rocking Colorado in  
5 January, the giddy culmination of pot Prohibition, I should try a taste of legal, edible pot from a  
6 local shop.
- 7 What could go wrong with a bite or two?
- 8 Everything, as it turned out.
- 9 Not at first. For an hour, I felt nothing. I figured I'd order dinner from room service and return to  
10 my more mundane drugs of choice, chardonnay and mediocre-movies-on-demand.
- 11 But then I felt a scary shudder go through my body and brain. I barely made it from the desk to  
12 the bed, where I lay curled up in a hallucinatory state for the next eight hours. I was thirsty but  
13 couldn't move to get water. Or even turn off the lights. I was panting and paranoid, sure that  
14 when the room-service waiter knocked and I didn't answer, he'd call the police and have me  
15 arrested for being unable to handle my candy.
- 16 I strained to remember where I was or even what I was wearing, touching my green corduroy  
17 jeans and staring at the exposed-brick wall. As my paranoia deepened, I became convinced  
18 that I had died and no one was telling me.
- 19 It took all night before it began to wear off, distressingly slowly. The next day, a medical  
20 consultant at an edibles plant where I was conducting an interview mentioned that candy bars  
21 like that are supposed to be cut into 16 pieces for novices; but that recommendation hadn't  
22 been on the label.
- 23 I reckoned that the fact that I was not a regular marijuana smoker made me more vulnerable,  
24 and that I should have known better. But it turns out, five months in, that some kinks need to be  
25 ironed out with the intoxicating open bar at the Mile High Club.



26 Colorado raked in about \$12.6 million the first three months after pot was legalized for adults 21  
27 and over. Pot party planners are dreaming up classy events: the Colorado Symphony just had  
28 its first "Classically Cannabis" fund-raiser with joints and Debussy. But the state is also coming  
29 to grips with the darker side of unleashing a drug as potent as marijuana on a horde of tourists  
30 of all ages and tolerance levels seeking a mellow buzz.

31 In March, a 19-year-old Wyoming college student jumped off a Denver hotel balcony after  
32 eating a pot cookie with 65 milligrams of THC. In April, a Denver man ate pot-infused Karma  
33 Kandy and began talking like it was the end of the world, scaring his wife and three kids. Then  
34 he retrieved a handgun from a safe and killed his wife while she was on the phone with an  
35 emergency dispatcher.

36 As Jack Healy reported in The Times on Sunday, Colorado hospital officials "are treating  
37 growing numbers of children and adults sickened by potent doses of edible marijuana" and  
38 neighboring states are seeing more stoned drivers.

39 "We realized there was a problem because we're watching everything with the urgency of the  
40 first people to regulate in this area," said Andrew Freedman, the state's director of marijuana  
41 coordination. "There are way too many stories of people not understanding how much they're  
42 eating. With liquor, people understand what they're getting themselves into. But that doesn't  
43 exist right now for edibles for new users in the market. It would behoove the industry to create a  
44 more pleasant experience for people.

45 "The whole industry was set up for people who smoked frequently. It needs to learn how to  
46 educate new users in the market. We have to create a culture of responsibility around edibles,  
47 so people know what to expect to feel."

48 Gov. John Hickenlooper and the Legislature recently created a task force to come up with  
49 packaging that clearly differentiates pot cookies and candy and gummy bears from normal  
50 sweets — with an eye toward protecting children — and directed the Department of Revenue to  
51 restrict the amount of edibles that can be sold at one time to one person. The governor also  
52 signed legislation mandating that there be a stamp on edibles, possibly a marijuana leaf. (Or  
53 maybe a stoned skull and bones?)

54 The state plans to start testing to make sure the weed is spread evenly throughout the product.  
55 The task force is discussing having budtenders give better warnings to customers and moving  
56 toward demarcating a single-serving size of 10 milligrams. (Industry representatives objected to  
57 the expense of wrapping bites of candy individually.)

58 "My kids put rocks and batteries in their mouths," said Bob Eschino, the owner of Incredibles,  
59 which makes candy and serves up chocolate and strawberry fountains. "If I put a marijuana leaf  
60 on a piece of chocolate, they'll still put it in their mouths."

61 He argues that, since pot goodies leave the dispensary in childproof packages, it is the parents'  
62 responsibility to make sure their kids don't get hold of it.

63 "Somebody suggested we just make everything look like a gray square so it doesn't look  
64 appealing. Why should the whole industry suffer just because less than 5 percent of people are  
65 having problems with the correct dosing?"

66 Does he sound a little paranoid?

Maureen Dowd JUNE 3, 2014  
The New York Times

## QUESTIONS:

1. Why did the author entitle the text "Don't harsh our mellow, Dude"? Provide some reasons that justify her choice. Is it consistent with the register used throughout the passage? (1 p)
2. Write a summary of this text. (Use no more than 75 words) (0,75 p)
3. Identify the type of text. Provide some examples to support your answer. (0,75 p)
4. The text was published in the New York Times. Identify the socio-cultural references in the text and justify why the author included them. (1 p)
5. Find a verb (not from the text) which corresponds to the following definitions and write a sentence with each one. Identify the verb in the text which belongs to the same semantic field. (1 p)
  - a) To eat or swallow food too quickly, in large amounts and often noisily.
  - b) To chew food steadily, especially with a crunchy noise, such as when eating an apple.
  - c) To eat a light meal, or eat between main meals.
  - d) To eat sparingly, without enthusiasm, because you are not interested or not hungry.
  - e) To eat food with enthusiasm, because you like it or because you are hungry.
  - f) To keep biting something hard.
6. Find the equivalent food idiom for these expressions. (1 p)
  - a) Fail to appreciate the value of something
  - b) Appear innocent.
  - c) Be identical to someone.
  - d) Say something bad because you didn't get what you wanted.
  - e) Earn money for necessary things.
  - f) The way things are.
  - g) Be completely different.
  - h) In perfect order.
7. Provide a word or expression meaning the same as the words in bold in the sentences below (the sentences are taken from the text). Your alternative word or expression must fit within the syntax of the original sentence. Then write three more synonyms. (1 p)
  - a) I should try a taste of legal, **edible** pot from a local shop. ( line 5)
  - b) ...I felt a **scary** shudder go through my body and brain. (line 11)
  - c) It took all night before it began to **wear off**, distressingly slowly. (line 19)
  - d) ...that some **kinks** need to be ironed... (line 24)
  - e) ...it would **behoove** the industry to create a more pleasant experience for people...(lines 43)



8. Complete these sentences with the appropriate use of the verbs:  
SET, COME and TURN. (1 p)

- a) Management often ..... bullying in the workplace.
- b) In her latest novel, she ..... the story of her childhood.
- c) My sister.....her life .....
- d) Get down off that wall, you're going to .....
- e) Justin Bieber .....his fans..... in the concert last night.
- f) The pillow is.....so I need to buy a new one.

9. Write the word from the text that matches the following phoneme descriptions.  
(1 p)

- a) Voiceless velar stop / Near-open front unrounded vowel / Voiced Alveolar nasal / Voiced alveolar stop / near-close near-front unrounded vowel.
- b) Voiced bilabial stop / Near-open front unrounded vowel / Alveolar lateral approximant / Voiceless velar stop / mid central vowel / Voiced Alveolar nasal / near-close near-front unrounded vowel.
- c) Voiced velar stop / Open-mid back unrounded vowel / Voiced Bilabial nasal / near-close near-front unrounded vowel.
- d) Voiceless velar stop / near-close near-back rounded vowel / Voiceless velar stop / near-close near-front unrounded vowel.

10. What grammatical aspects of the text would you cover in a Secondary or Upper-Secondary education group? Exploit one of them for a particular level. Justify your answer. (1,5 p)

## PRIMEIRA PARTE – PROBA A – EXERCICIO 2

Cualificación 10 x 0,3 puntos

The following is a transcript of President Obama's speech in Hiroshima, Japan, as recorded by The New York Times. (May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016)

"Seventy-one years ago, on a bright cloudless morning, death fell from the sky and the world was changed. A flash of light and a wall of fire destroyed a city and demonstrated that mankind possessed the means to destroy itself"

...Continue until 250 words.