



# PRUEBA DE ACCESO Y ADMISIÓN A LA UNIVERSIDAD

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## OPTION A: AN ACT OF KINDNESS A DAY **KEY**

1 Danielle Saveker has performed an act of kindness every single day for three years: from paying for a stranger's coffee to sending  
2 a present to a total stranger going through rough times. We first met Dani when she made a video diary detailing her progress, but  
3 now she's about to celebrate one very big achievement — completing 1,000 acts of kindness.

4 As a sales manager in a big company, Dani was interested in the idea that kindness is an essential component of successful  
5 leadership. As part of a research project, the 46-year-old decided to complete an act of generosity each day throughout January 2016.  
6 However, it soon took over her life in a way that went far beyond regular working hours.

7 Within three weeks she realised her daily acts of kindness were spoiled if she later lost her temper driving home because she'd  
8 had a bad day. She carried on completing the acts, but also allowed kindness to spread into every aspect of her life.

9 "Something switched in me and I thought, 'If I'm going to commit to this, I need to do it properly'", she explains. "Before I knew it  
10 I'd reached the end of the first year. I'd done 365 acts of kindness, but more than that, it had changed the way I viewed things and  
11 there was a real shift in me."

12 "One of the nicest things I get told is that as a result of receiving kindness, someone goes on to be kind to someone else", Dani  
13 says. "That's what this is all about. If I can inspire someone else to think about others, my job is complete."

### I \* COMPREHENSION (4 points)

CHOOSE AND WRITE THE CORRECT OPTION (A, B, C or D). (0.5 points each)

1. Danielle Saveker has... **(c)**

- (a) given money to strangers for three years. (b) bought strangers coffee every day for three years.  
(c) helped people in different ways for three years. (d) been through some rough times for the last three years.

2. It is said that one of the qualities of being a good boss is... **(b)**

- (a) being a good sales manager. (b) being kind to your colleagues.  
(c) keeping a video diary of your job. (d) celebrating 1,000 acts of kindness.

ARE THESE STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE? JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH THE PRECISE WORDS OR PHRASES FROM THE TEXT, OR USE YOUR OWN WORDS. (0.5 points each)

3. Dani started performing acts of kindness as part of a game. **FALSE (line 5) "As part of a research project, the 46-year-old decided to complete an act of generosity..."**

4. She felt that her good actions mattered less if she then got angry over anything. **TRUE (lines 7-8) "... she realised her daily acts of kindness were spoiled if she later lost her temper driving home (because she'd had a bad day)."**

5. Her acts of kindness transformed Dani and her perception of life. **TRUE (lines 10-11) "... it had changed the way I viewed things and there was a real shift in me."**

6. People act kindly when they are treated kindly. **TRUE (line 12) "... as a result of receiving kindness, someone goes on to be kind to someone else..."**

7. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)

7.1. ONE SYNONYM FOR "firm" (noun). **company (line 4)**

7.2. ONE SYNONYM FOR "change" (noun). **shift (line 11)**

8. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)

8.1. ONE WORD MEANING "customary, usual, or normal." **regular (line 6)**

8.2. ONE WORD MEANING "to damage or destroy the quality or value of something." **spoil(ed) (line 7)**

### II \* USE OF ENGLISH (3 points; 0.5 points each)

9. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH THE CORRECT OPTION:

9.1. "I waited for him for two hours but he didn't turn..." up / over / down / off **up**

9.2. "He passed... peacefully after a long illness." over / back / down / away **away**

10. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH A CORRECT FORM OF THE VERB IN BRACKETS:

10.1. "Ed Sheeran... since he was a little boy." (sing) **has been singing / has sung**

10.2. "She... a sales manager three years ago." (become) **became**

11. REWRITE THE SENTENCE WITHOUT CHANGING ITS MEANING. BEGIN AS INDICATED: "The new iPhone is very expensive, so I decided not to buy it." The new iPhone is so ... **The new iPhone is so expensive (that) I decided not to buy it.**

12. GIVE A QUESTION FOR THE UNDERLINED WORDS: "It takes her less than two hours to have it ready." **How long does it take her to have it ready? / How long does she take to have it ready?**

13. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO INDIRECT SPEECH: "Jason told her, 'Don't be late to my party tomorrow.'" **Jason told / asked her not to be late to his party the next / following day / the day after.**

14. THERE ARE TWO MISTAKES IN THIS SENTENCE. FIND THE MISTAKES AND REWRITE THE SENTENCE CORRECTLY: "If only women get equals opportunities in today's world." **If only women got equal opportunities in today's world.**

### III \* WRITING (3 points)

15. WRITE A COMPOSITION OF APPROXIMATELY 120 WORDS ABOUT THE TOPIC PROPOSED AND FOCUS STRICTLY ON IT:

**How are you kind to others and how are they kind to you? Justify your answer.**



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## OPTION B: THE TINY HOUSE RAGE **KEY**

- 1 While TV shows like *Tiny House, Big Living* have made the tiny-house movement fashionable, it's really not new at all. Back in the  
2 1840s, Henry David Thoreau lived in a 15-square-metre house as a personal experiment on the concept of simplification.  
3 This idea seems to have gained popularity in recent years, making "tiny living" an option for many people. Not only is a small home  
4 part of a minimalist lifestyle, but some tiny homes can also be mobile — which allows you to travel more. Some people use tiny living  
5 as a way to save money on monthly expenses, get out of debt, and retire early. So, how much does living small cost? Can you really  
6 save money by moving into a tiny house?  
7 The average price for a home in the US is \$257,990. Of course, this varies from state to state. Even in the lower-value states, the  
8 cost of buying or building a tiny home is still a fraction of the cost of buying a normal home. And the structure isn't the only place where  
9 you'll save money. Some tiny homes are set up with solar panels in order to make use of and store energy from the sun and make  
10 powering appliances cheaper. Furthermore, tiny houses can be made to be more energy-efficient by using certain appliances, LED  
11 light bulbs, and the like.  
12 There are a few other excellent reasons to go small. For instance, you could also use a tiny home on your property for loved ones.  
13 If you have an aging parent who doesn't need round-the-clock care but needs to be close by, a tiny home might be the perfect option  
14 for them.

### I \* COMPREHENSION (4 points)

CHOOSE AND WRITE THE CORRECT OPTION (A, B, C or D). (0.5 points each)

1. According to the text, Henry David Thoreau... **(d)**  
(a) couldn't afford a big house. (b) liked *Tiny House, Big Living* a lot.  
(c) is a current supporter of tiny houses. (d) decided to live in a tiny house.
2. According to the text, the people who buy tiny houses... **(b)**  
(a) enjoy staying at home. (b) reduce costs.  
(c) are young. (d) are fans of Henry D. Thoreau.

ARE THESE STATEMENTS TRUE OR FALSE? JUSTIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH THE PRECISE WORDS OR PHRASES FROM THE TEXT, OR USE YOUR OWN WORDS. (0.5 points each)

3. Thoreau decided to go small only because he wanted to save money. **FALSE (lines 1-2)** "*Back in the 1840s,) Henry David Thoreau lived in a 15-square-metre house as a personal experiment on the concept of simplification.*"
4. In a few states, normal houses are as cheap as tiny ones. **FALSE (lines 7-8)** "*Even in the lower-value states, the cost of buying or building a tiny home is still a fraction of the cost of buying a normal home.*"
5. Every tiny home is equipped with alternative energy sources to save electricity. **FALSE (lines 9-10)** "*Some tiny homes are set up with solar panels in order to make use of and store energy from the sun and make powering appliances cheaper.*"
6. Tiny houses can sometimes be a good choice to take care of the elderly in the family. **TRUE (lines 13-14)** "*If you have an aging parent who doesn't need round-the-clock care but needs to be close by, a tiny home might be the perfect option for them.*"
7. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)  
7.1. ONE SYNONYM FOR "test" (noun). **experiment (line 2)**  
7.2. ONE SYNONYM FOR "ordinary" (adjective). **normal (line 8)**
8. FIND IN THE TEXT: (0.5 points)  
8.1. ONE WORD MEANING "money owed to others." **debt (line 5)**  
8.2. ONE WORD MEANING "household device operated by electric current." **appliance(s) (line 10)**

### II \* USE OF ENGLISH (3 points; 0.5 points each)

9. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH A CORRECT FORM OF THE VERB IN BRACKETS:

- 9.1. "I ran out of milk. I forgot ... some." (buy) **to buy**  
9.2. "Please, let me... it." (do) **do**

10. FILL IN THE GAPS WITH THE CORRECT OPTION:

- 10.1. "We were not able to get home earlier... the heavy rain." due to / despite / because / therefore **due to**  
10.2. "... people play rugby in Spain." a lot / few / much / little **few**

11. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO DIRECT SPEECH: "Tom asked her to give him another chance." **"(Please,) (do) give me another chance," Tom told her / said to her / asked her. / "Can you (please) give me another chance?" Tom asked her.**

12. REWRITE THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE WITHOUT CHANGING ITS MEANING. BEGIN AS INDICATED: "You'd better see a doctor." **If I... If I were you, I would see a doctor.**

13. TURN THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE INTO THE ACTIVE VOICE: "The job was finally offered to someone else." **We / They /The company finally offered the job to someone else.**

14. THERE ARE TWO MISTAKES IN THIS SENTENCE. FIND THE MISTAKES AND REWRITE THE SENTENCE CORRECTLY: "You haven't to tell your friends that you have bought a more small house." **You don't have to tell / haven't got to tell / needn't tell / don't need to tell your friends that you have bought a smaller house.**

### III \* WRITING (3 points)

15. WRITE A COMPOSITION OF APPROXIMATELY 120 WORDS ABOUT THE TOPIC PROPOSED AND FOCUS STRICTLY ON IT:

Describe your ideal home. Give reasons.