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Part 1: Listening comprehension

THE RISE OF PREGNANT STAND-UP

In this radio programme you are going to hear some new words. Read and listen to them. Make sure you know what they mean.

stand-up: monòleg / monólogo pregnant: embarassada / embarazada stretch mark: estria / estría booker: agent / agente lactation: lactància / lactancia

Ready?

Now read the questions on the following page. Read them carefully before listening to the radio programme.

[Now listen to the interview.]

QUESTIONS

Choose the best answer according to the recording. Only ONE answer is correct.

[3 points: 0.375 points for each correct answer. Wrong answers will be penalized by deducting 0.125 points. There is no penalty for unanswered questions.]

			Espai per al corrector/a		
			Correcta	Incorrecta	No contestada
1.	How does Udane feel about being a comedian? ☐ She is disappointed with the profession. ☐ She can tell it has both advantages and disadvantages and disadvantages are disadvantages. ☐ It feels exactly the way she had imagined. ☐ It is very time-consuming, so she cannot hang our	-			
2.	Why does Udane not go to clubs or bars anymore? ☐ Because she is pregnant and does not drink alcommodities. ☐ Because she does not have enough time. ☐ Because she thinks there are more meaningful to Because she does not have any friends to go with	ways to pass the time.			
3.	What is Udane's problem with the lights on stage? ☐ They make her feel too hot. ☐ They are blinding. ☐ They are distracting. ☐ They do not allow her to connect with the audi	ence.			
4.	Which of the following is NOT true about Udane? ☐ She talks about her pregnancy on stage. ☐ She has a baby on the way. ☐ She watches comedy on Netflix. ☐ She lives in Los Angeles, like Kara Klenk.				
5.	What happened to Joan Rivers in 1967? ☐ She was asked to keep her pregnancy a secret. ☐ She had to dress up as if she were pregnant. ☐ Some bookers asked her to hide her daughter the audience. ☐ She was not allowed to perform on television be	Č			
6.	According to Udane, female comics have outnumbered male comedians recently. typically pursue other careers when they start had not tend to get pregnant. are more frequent today than they used to be.				
7.	Which of the following best summarizes Amy Schur ☐ She had a pregnancy complication on a flight to ☐ She had to cancel some shows because of a med ☐ She was not allowed to fly when she was pregna ☐ She decided not to travel to prevent a difficult prevent a difficult prevent and the state of the state	o New Ŷork. dical condition. ant, but she did.			
8.	 What does Udane think about using pregnancy on s ☐ She finds it hilarious and hopes the trend will land the phenomenon lasting more complain about it. ☐ She hopes that people will normalize the image on stage. 	ast forever. uch because audiences			
	☐ She thinks it is outrageous that people laugh at	expectant moms.	Correctes	Incorrectes 1	No contestades
		Recompte de les respostes			
		Nota de comprensió oral			

Part 2: Reading comprehension

DANCE LIKE YOU'RE IN *BRIDGERTON*, PLAY *SQUID GAME*: WHY ARE IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES BOOMING?

Welcome to the age of immersion. Last summer saw the launch of *Stranger Things* and *Tomb Raider* "experiences" in London, and an *Alice in Wonderland* "immersive cocktail experience" in Sheffield. By September, fans were able to re-enact Netflix's *Squid Game* at Immersive Gamebox venues in London, Essex and Manchester. In the coming weeks, London will also host an experience based on the horror franchise *Saw*, while Cheshire will see thousands visit *Harry Potter: A Forbidden Forest Experience*. And that's without mentioning the boom in immersive art experiences, the most recent of which — *Frameless* — has just opened in central London.

The **buzzword** everyone will tell you is *immersive-interactive*. As a small number of companies dominate the cultural landscape, it seems that each wants to build its own mini-Disneyland. But why are we suddenly obsessed with stepping into the screen? In an increasingly dark world, are we seeking escapism? Or do we just want loads of cool Instagrammable pictures?

"It's really driven by a desire to find new ways to connect with our members and fans around the world," says Greg Lombardo, head of live experiences at Netflix. The streaming service lost almost a million subscribers between April and July last year after subscription fees increased by £1 a month. The company is seemingly diversifying its income — tickets to *Stranger Things: The Experience* cost £52 per person, £62 on a Saturday. "We really wanted to offer people a chance to feel like they were the hero of that story, that they had the powers," Lombardo says. Guests are divided into different coloured teams and allocated a hand gesture they can use to remotely crush cans, unlock doors and battle monsters as they wander *Stranger Things*-inspired sets. The experience features exclusive **footage** from the show's actors as well as live actors who interact with the audience. Why do more and more people seek this out? Lombardo says the *Stranger Things* experience attracts all ages, while guests of *The Queen's Ball* — a party based on Netflix's hit show *Bridgerton* — are 87 % women aged 18-45. It is a prom for adults and some people even join fan-created social media groups to discuss how to prepare for the event.

Elizabeth Cohen is a communications professor at West Virginia University who studies audience responses to different types of media. She says fans have always wanted to enter fictional worlds but the internet allowed them to get their voices heard. "I think the internet made 'geeking out' more mainstream," she says. "And what is mainstream is also more profitable." Cohen says immersion is psychologically gratifying because people connect with others, relieve stress and get creative. Just as we can both watch and play sports, Cohen says we can now watch and play with shows. Does this mean we're big babies? "Sports fans often go to great lengths to dress up in support of their team, put on face paint, collect memorabilia," Cohen says. "But I've never heard anyone suggest that sports fandom was infantilising, so why is there a double standard for pop culture?"

Millions have been invested into immersion, but some experiences are rougher around the edges than others. Many last an hour — meaning prices seem high when you consider a whole day ticket to Disneyland Paris can cost just £50. It remains to be seen whether they will attract repeat customers, or if they'll quickly become associated with the forced fun of work socials and first dates. Or perhaps high inflation will only increase the desire to step into the screen. If you think about shows like *Stranger Things* or *Bridgerton*, they are escapist stories. They allow us to forget, for a moment, things that might be more challenging in our lives.

Text adapted from an article by Amelia Tait. *The Guardian* [online] (October 14, 2022)

buzzword: paraula de moda / palabra de moda **footage**: escenes filmades / escenas filmadas

QUESTIONS

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1.	 In this text, the word immersion (and immersive) references social gatherings where people can meet famour Instagrammers. □ leisure experiences where people can interact wascenes. □ social experiences where people can meet and the leisure experiences where people can go on specific terms. 	s pop culture rith series or movies alk to Disney characters.			
2.	In the second paragraph, the author of the text ☐ wonders why Disneyland is opening new franch ☐ wonders why adolescents are obsessed with mo ☐ wonders if immersion experiences make young ☐ wonders why immersion experiences are popul	vies and series. adults become childish.			
3.	Netflix ☐ has incorporated new ways of making profits. ☐ is making profits only through subscriptions. ☐ is offering its subscribers monthly discounts. ☐ is contacting <i>Stranger Things</i> fans around the ways of making profits.	vorld.			
4.	Which of the following is NOT true about the Strang ☐ Entrance fees are cheaper on weekdays. ☐ Guests can walk around sets inspired by the ser ☐ Only the show's actors take part in it. ☐ Guests can pretend to fight against monsters.				
5.	 The Queen's Ball □ attracts female Bridgerton fans of several ages. □ has boosted the number of Bridgerton viewers. □ is especially popular with men over 50. □ requires attendees to meet on a social media greater. 	oup first.			
6.	Elizabeth Cohen thinks that ☐ immersive experiences can become stressful for ☐ the fans' contact with the fictional world has be ☐ fictional immersive experiences should be based ☐ the fans' participation in immersive experiences	come normal. d on sports.			
7.	 Why does there seem to be a double standard for poor □ Because immersion tends to be criticised more fandom. □ Because immersion experiences are never consious □ Because people tend to make fun of sports fans □ Because pop culture fandom helps people connum 	often than sports dered childish. who dress up.			
8.	Immersion experiences ☐ will become symbolic of first dates and work ga ☐ have come to stay. ☐ are becoming more expensive due to increasing ☐ give people the chance to escape from real diffic	therings.			
			Correctes	Incorrectes 1	No contestades
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Part 3: Writing

Choose ONE topic. Your answer should be 125-150 words in length. There is no specific penalty for exceeding 150 words in length. Extra points are not given for exceeding 150 words. [4 points]

- 1. Young people spend a lot of time texting and playing on their smartphones, sometimes over three hours a day. Write a **blog entry** encouraging alternative activities that may be interesting for young people and prevent them from using their smartphones so much every day.
- 2. Travelling by plane helps you make the most of your holiday by taking you places with speed and efficient use of time. However, it is said that emissions from aviation are a significant contributor to climate change. How do you think we should handle this situation? Write an **opinion essay** about it for your local paper.
- **3.** Imagine you've gone to one of the immersion shows described in the Reading comprehension text (Part 2). Write an **email** to a friend in which you explain the experience and suggest you both go together in the near future.

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