

FIRST TEXT: *En búsqueda de nuevas oportunidades*
In search of new opportunities

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Read the text on page 2 of the resource booklet. Use it to answer Question One. Answer the question in your choice of English, te reo Māori, and/or Spanish.

QUESTION ONE

- (a) What are the Pueblos Mancomunados?
 ¿Qué son los Pueblos Mancomunados?

is in Mexico. It is not a rich area & but

The Pueblos Mancomunados of the Sierra Norte de Oaxaca ^{is} the union of eight towns and ^{is} one of the most sobresalientes examples of a community that shares resources, terrenos and cultivos. They figuratively open their doors so tourists can have a unique experience in contact with nature and the community's culture of the Zapoteca communities, located between 2000 and 3200 metres ~~at~~ of altitude. The Pueblos Mancomunados are a group of Mexican towns that ~~want~~ to attract tourists to their towns, to experience a unique holiday. According to the World (through Expediciones Sierra Norte) Tourism Organisation some 118 million people work in the tourism industry and after having experienced the good conditions of the rich countries, tourists want to experience something different to the everyday. It is this that attracts people to Pueblos Mancomunados.

- (b) Based on what you have read, how do they benefit from tourism?

Basándote en el texto, ¿cómo se beneficiarán los Pueblos Mancomunados del turismo?

Because of tourism they have constructed more than 100 km of senderos rurales, especially designed for walking, mountain biking and horse riding which they will get to use for recreation. The indigenous ecotourism company 'Expediciones Sierra Norte' belongs to the Pueblos Mancomunados and through this company they have set up an initiative to conserve the natural and cultural heritage of the local areas through the promotion of ~~resp~~ an offer of responsible, high quality tourism that is together with the natural entorno, traditions and customs of the people. Through this they are able to sustain and create local employment - which is also beneficial. Not only is tourism conducted so that it has a minimal impact, it also creates jobs. It also allows communities to confront and surpass some of the ~~ret~~ most important retos that limit the well being of people and the vitality of ecosystems. Tourism brings money into the community which they use to improve their community and thus attract further tourists. They also get to share their knowledge of their culture and history, as a way of preserving their culture and way of life. The initiative to promote responsible high quality tourism benefits them as it results in a community and culture that takes care of the natural environment.

- (c) You are a local guide working for Las Expediciones Sierra Norte. Explain the advantages of tourism in your life. Base your answer on what you have read in the text.

Eres un guía trabajando para Las Expediciones Sierra Norte. Explica las ventajas del turismo en tu vida. Basa tu respuesta en lo que has leído en el texto.

I work for Expeditions Sierra Norte, and during my time as a guide ...

Trabajo para Las Expediciones Sierra Norte y durante mi tiempo como guía ...

I have seen vast improvements to the area I love. Tourism has provided me with a job that I thoroughly enjoy. I love to show people my land and share my knowledge of the environment that surrounds us and ^{it is a privilege to share} my knowledge of culture and history, all while earning money. By the end of the century, tourism will be the biggest industry in the world and everyday more people come to experience this beautiful area. I now speak English much better through interaction with tourists and have myself been exposed to other cultures. I also get a lot of exercise, walking and bike riding in our 100 km area specially designed for the purpose. I have enjoyed exploring the nature and town myself ~~as~~ and I have learnt many things as my job as a guide requires that I am knowledgeable ~~was~~. As a guide I see first hand the difference that Expediciones Sierra Norte have made with their conservation initiative. The vitality of the ecosystems have improved and the area is clean ~~is~~ and natural in appearance. The success of Expediciones Sierra Norte is incredible. Expediciones Sierra Norte is an organisation very close to nature and the plants we see and I enjoy being part of the team that shows people part of the natural beauty of Mexico. I also, as a guide get to prepare delicious food, which is always a bonus. My family benefits from the money I earn in this job.

**SECOND TEXT: *La felicidad, ¿Cómo se logra?*
Happiness, how does one achieve it?**

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Read the text on page 3 of the resource booklet. Use it to answer Question Two. Answer the question in your choice of English, te reo Māori, and/or Spanish.

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Based on what you have read, how are Pablo Neruda's and Paul José's understandings of happiness similar?

Basándote en el texto, ¿cómo son similares las ideas que tienen Pablo Neruda y Paul José sobre la felicidad?

Pablo Neruda says "happiness is interior, not exterior". Therefore it does not depend on what we have but who we are". This suggests that it is not materialistic goods that make us happy, but the choice to be happy. José's understanding is that the commercialisation of happiness is out of control in many countries and because of this his investigation revealed that it was difficult to find happiness all the time. The similarities are that they both understand that what we buy cannot truly make us happy, it is what we do that does. They both understand that happiness is a decision and it is intangible, we cannot buy it.

- (b) Based on what you have read, give advice on how New Zealanders could increase their level of happiness, and explain how this would improve their lives.

Basándote en el texto, da consejos sobre cómo los neozelandeses podrían aumentar su nivel de felicidad, y explica cómo esto mejoraría sus vidas.

New Zealanders have a low level of happiness. Although Mexicans work more for less money, and in terms of health and education and safety are in a lower position than New Zealand, they are more satisfied with their life. 85% of Mexicans say they experience more positive things in a normal day than negative. One of the aspects that New Zealanders have to work on is taking the time to enjoy happiness and express it without feeling guilty. This will make them happier. They also need to understand that happiness is not about beauty, fame or money, as the media would have them believe. There are five simple ways to be happy that New Zealanders should use to increase their happiness level. Being healthy is one way to happiness. What is good for your body is good for your mind and it is your mind that determines your happiness. Get enough sleep, eat well and do exercise, you will be healthier and happier for it. Experience life, don't buy it. Travelling to foreign countries and going out will make you happier than buying an object. Happiness is a feeling not a measure of how much stuff you have. Have an active social life as people with active social lives are considered happier. It will also cause you to spend less time on the internet. Be economically independent. Although money can't buy happiness, being financially stable minimises stress. This will also enable you to enjoy more in life such as overseas travel. Appreciate the small things and live in the moment. It is important to focus on the present instead of looking to the future. As José says, if you appreciate even the small things you will have a more positive perspective on life in general. New Zealanders need a change in attitude regarding happiness. They need to understand that the small things can make them happy. One does not have to be famous, rich, or beautiful or successful to be happy. By following this advice, New Zealanders can improve their lives.

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THIRD TEXT: *Cómo vivir sin generar basura* How to live without generating rubbish

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Read the text on page 4 of the resource booklet. Use it to answer Question Three. Answer the question in your choice of English, te reo Māori, and/or Spanish.

QUESTION THREE

- (a) Based on what you have read, how has Laura changed her daily life, and why?
Basándote en el texto, ¿cómo ha cambiado Laura su vida diaria, y por qué?

Laura has changed her daily life as she has decided to complete two years without generating rubbish. She made this change because in her last year of university she had a teacher that was very insistent on living in agreement with our own values. It was then that she realised she was not. Her rubbish bin was full of plastic, up to the top, as an environmental major this was a contradiction. She has now started to substitute plastic ewases with glass ones that are reusable and she buys food in bulk. In terms of clothes, she passes them on second hand and of course, she does not ~~pedir~~ drive a car as this produces a lot of fumes which are waste products. This has changed her daily life, she now walks everywhere in Madrid and when she has to travel far she uses public transport. This reduces her environmental impact. She now takes daily measures to minimise her waste. Once a week she takes her organic waste (including toilet paper) to a place where they turn it into compost. When her clothes, sheets or telas are too old and spent to pass down she takes them to be recycled. She now produces more things herself because she realised that the alternative to producing rubbish in many cases was to produce it herself. Rather than buy these things she now has recipes for everything: toothpaste, skin cream and detergent. However she admits that ~~it~~ it has been quite costly to investigate and perfect these recipes. She has completely changed her life because the words of a former teacher convinced her that as an environmental student she was not living to her values. She now produces no waste, recycles what she can and even makes her own products to avoid waste and avoid being a hypocritical environmental student. It was then that the process of living without waste began.

- (b) Based on what you have read, describe Laura's personality. Justify your response.
Basándote en el texto, describe la personalidad de Laura. Justifica tu respuesta.

Laura is resourceful. She says that "the most complicated part was not avoiding certain products but finding organic alternatives to everything we use day to day". But she did manage, which shows her resourcefulness. She is also impulsive, as she suddenly decided to go two years without producing rubbish. She is friendly, which is revealed in the text by how many people know what she is doing. She is now more sociable because people contact her to ask for advice, she has ideas and propose alternatives. She is also opinionated and says that everyone has the possibility of living without generating rubbish. It is your choice. Her choice of a university course suggests she is caring and cares for the environment. She is also dedicated as shown by how she follows through with her decision, she puts a lot of effort in and has even made sure to maintain her social life so she does not feel isolated in the city of Madrid. //

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