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**Anglès  
Sèrie 1**

**Dades de la persona aspirant**

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**Cognoms i nom**

**DNI**

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**Qualificació**

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A. Read the text below and choose the correct answer.

[Total: 1.25 marks; 0.25 for each correct answer]

### AIRPORT NUMBERS FALL BACK TO 2005

1 Barcelona's El Prat airport may have a new terminal but with passenger numbers dropping this year to 2005 levels, it seems to be a long way from being able to fill its smart new facility. Four years ago, El Prat was the European top-10 airport that was growing the fastest but in 2009 it has become the airport among that select group that has lost the 5 most passengers.

According to the latest figures released by the state airport authority, Aena, El Prat saw a 6.4% fall in passenger numbers in September, taking this year's total number of passengers so far to a little over 20 million —a similar number to that reached in 2005 and far short of the 30 million target reached between 2005 and 2008.

10 Although the new T1 terminal has raised the passenger capacity of the airport to 55 million, the combined effects of the economic crisis along with the competition provided by Ave high-speed train link between Madrid and the Catalan capital has hit the airport revenue hard. El Prat saw passenger numbers fall by more than 6% in September to 2,512,294, while Madrid's Barajas airport appears to be recovering somewhat with a 15 slight rise in numbers of 0.1% to 4,243,629. If the current trend in passenger numbers continues, El Prat will be hard pushed to beat the total number of passengers in 2005 of 26.9 million and unlikely to break the 30 million threshold.

The only silver lining for El Prat is that the other airports have also suffered drops in numbers, meaning that Barcelona is still the ninth largest European airport, a place it 20 occupied four years ago.

Adapted from an article by  
Xavier MIRÓ, *Catalonia Today* (November 2009)

1. In 2009, the number of passengers to El Prat...
  - a) declined to the same numbers as four years earlier.
  - b) increased to the top-10.
  - c) stayed the same as for the last four years.
  
2. In 2005, El Prat...
  - a) started to get smaller very fast.
  - b) was one of the top-10 European airports to expand.
  - c) was expanding its facilities very slowly.
  
3. Thanks to T1, El Prat can host...
  - a) up to 50 million passengers.
  - b) less than 50 million passengers.
  - c) more than 50 million passengers.

4. This situation is due to...
  - a)* cheap train tickets.
  - b)* the world economic crisis.
  - c)* both economic difficulties and competition.
  
5. The fall back in passenger numbers...
  - a)* affects other top airports, too.
  - b)* made El Prat drop to the 9<sup>th</sup> smallest airport.
  - c)* only affects Barcelona and Madrid's airports.

B. Choose the correct words or definitions (*a*, *b*, *c*, or *d*) for the words below as they are used in the text.

[Total: 1.25 marks; 0.25 for each correct answer]

1. its **smart** new facility (lines 2-3)

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|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| <i>a)</i> small | <i>b)</i> elegant<br>and modern | <i>c)</i> intelligent | <i>d)</i> successful |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|

2. the latest figures **released** by the state airport authority (line 6)

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|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| <i>a)</i> announced | <i>b)</i> rejected | <i>c)</i> approved | <i>d)</i> written |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|

3. the 30 million **target** reached between 2005 and 2008 (line 9)

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|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|
| <i>a)</i> passenger | <i>b)</i> card | <i>c)</i> objective | <i>d)</i> number |
|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|------------------|

4. **unlikely** to break the 30 million threshold (line 17)

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| <i>a)</i> improbable | <i>b)</i> dislikely | <i>c)</i> impossible | <i>d)</i> really |
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5. The only **silver lining** for El Prat (line 18)

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|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| <i>a)</i> bad situation | <i>b)</i> competition | <i>c)</i> direct way | <i>d)</i> hope |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|

C. Read the text below and choose the correct answer.

[Total: 2.50 marks; 0.25 for each correct answer]

For many people, travelling \_\_\_(1)\_\_\_ time is the \_\_\_(2)\_\_\_ incredible way to travel that has ever been described. However, Professor Potts and his two children showed it is possible. \_\_\_(3)\_\_\_ Sunday, they were in their garden outside the kitchen window, when they saw a large cupboard in front of them. There were \_\_\_(4)\_\_\_ wires on the side and professor decided \_\_\_(5)\_\_\_ two of them together. Suddenly, a white light was all around them. In a few seconds, they found \_\_\_(6)\_\_\_ in a beautiful ancient city \_\_\_(7)\_\_\_ the Mediterranean coast, but... oh no! The city was on fire, people \_\_\_(8)\_\_\_ running and screaming. Professor Potts and the kids stared at the sky and saw a volcano throwing lava and fire upon the city. Oh my God, they \_\_\_(9)\_\_\_ to ancient Pompei just before its destruction by the famous Vesuvius eruption! Professor Potts shouted "Back to the machine, children! I'm sorry kids, these things happen, the world has not \_\_\_(10)\_\_\_ been a nice place to live in!".

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| 1. <i>a)</i> on        | <i>b)</i> through     | <i>c)</i> by             | <i>d)</i> with          |
| 2. <i>a)</i> more      | <i>b)</i> most        | <i>c)</i> as             | <i>d)</i> better        |
| 3. <i>a)</i> Last      | <i>b)</i> During      | <i>c)</i> At             | <i>d)</i> Before        |
| 4. <i>a)</i> a little  | <i>b)</i> much        | <i>c)</i> lots of        | <i>d)</i> fewer         |
| 5. <i>a)</i> join      | <i>b)</i> to join     | <i>c)</i> joining        | <i>d)</i> joined        |
| 6. <i>a)</i> them      | <i>b)</i> their       | <i>c)</i> themselves     | <i>d)</i> they          |
| 7. <i>a)</i> by        | <i>b)</i> in          | <i>c)</i> at             | <i>d)</i> on            |
| 8. <i>a)</i> were      | <i>b)</i> are         | <i>c)</i> was            | <i>d)</i> be            |
| 9. <i>a)</i> travel    | <i>b)</i> will travel | <i>c)</i> have travelled | <i>d)</i> had travelled |
| 10. <i>a)</i> actually | <i>b)</i> already     | <i>c)</i> always         | <i>d)</i> never         |

D. Write 80-100 words about ONE of the following topics.

[Total: 5 marks]

1. You are a tourist who came to Barcelona on holidays last summer. You had many problems at the airport (your luggage was lost, your flight home was cancelled and you had to wait for two days at the airport, etc.). Write a letter of complaint, describe your experience and ask for compensation.
2. You are a journalist who works for a local newspaper in Barcelona. Write an interview with a tourist who has just arrived to the airport. Ask him/her about nationality, reason to travel, opinion about the airport facilities, what he/she knows about Barcelona, etc.

