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UNIVERSIDADES DE ANDALUCÍA PRUEBA DE ACCESO A LA UNIVERSIDAD

BACHILLERATO

ANÁLISIS DE TEXTO EN LENGUA EXTRANJERA (INGLÉS)

MALE OR FEMALE?

Last week the European Court of Justice did not accept a German teacher's complaint that he lost a better job because of his sex. Women seem to be preferred in the public sector when both male and female candidates are equally qualified. The Court found that this does not go against equal opportunities regulations. Ms. Groener of the European Parliament's women's rights committee said: "The judgment is a great victory for women."

The teacher has been under attack from feminists who claimed he wanted to return to German women to the "kitchen sink." He denied this, pointing out that his wife was a working woman, and that he did his share of the housework.

The judges stated the facts loud and clear: "Men tend to be chosen in preference to women, since they benefit from prejudices as to the role of women." But a different point of view was also stated in court: "Women have forgotten their most important job, motherhood. They do not spend enough time with their children." Some women found this thought very pathetic at the time.

(A) COMPREHENSION (3 points; 1 per question)

ANSWER QUESTIONS 1-3 ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION GIVEN IN THE TEXT. USE YOUR OWN WORDS.

- 1) Did the German teacher get the job that he wanted? Why?
- 2) Did the German teacher think that women should stay at home doing the housework? Why?
- 3) Do all women think that their most important job is motherhood? Why?

(B) LEXICON (2 points; 0.5 points per question)

- 4) Find in the text the word which has the following definition:
 - 'Having the necessary training and knowledge for a particular activity or job.' (adjective).
- 5) **Find** in the text one **synonym** for CHANCE (noun).
- 6) Give one synonym of DENY (noun) (line 7).
- 7) Give one opposite for FORGET (verb) (line 11).

(C) GRAMMAR (2 points; 0.5 points per question)

- 8) Put the following sentence into the passive voice:
 - Last week the European Court of Justice did not accept a German teacher's complaint.
- 9) Put the following sentence into direct speech:
 - He pointed out that his wife was a working woman and he did his share of the housework.
- 10) Complete the following sentence:
 - If the German teacher had not lost that job...
- 11) **Join** the following **sentences** with a **relative pronoun**. Make changes if necessary:
 - The teacher lost a promotion. The teacher's wife is a working woman.

(D) PRODUCTION (3 points)

WRITE A **COMPOSITION (80-100** WORDS). CHOOSE **ONE** OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS. **SPECIFY** YOUR OPTION.

- 12) a. Can men and women do the same jobs?
 - b. Are parents and teachers equally important for children's education? Why?