



INGLÉS

Nobody really knows what cats do in private while their owners are out at work or shopping. But I have finally discovered the horrible truth: cats are here to destroy the human race! Yes, you may laugh at this but I have proof.

To begin with, cats are responsible for thousands of traffic accidents every year. An apparently innocent cat will sit at the side of a busy road, waiting for a large number of cars coming from both directions. When you least expect it, the cruel cat will run out in front of the first lane of traffic, look at the driver with wide open eyes and make the unfortunate victim lose control of the car. Of course, the cat then walks on and leaves the scene of the crime as quickly as it crosses the road.

Another method to force the human race into extinction is to drive their owners mad. Cats do so in a number of ways: by scratching holes in the carpet/sofa, eating their food and then throwing it up on the bed/kitchen floor, and waking their owners up at various times in the night.

There is a solution however: dogs! Although they are very stupid, dogs hate cats and will chase them whenever they see one.

QUESTIONS:

1. Does the writer have a positive opinion of cats? Why? / Why not? **Do not copy literally from the text** (1 punto)
2. How do cats cause traffic accidents? **Do not copy literally from the text** (1 punto)
3. What do cats do to make their owners go crazy? **Do not copy literally from the text** (1 punto)
4. a) Give the opposite of the following words taken from the text (eg. "arrive: *depart, go away, ...*") (0'75 puntos):

private / wide / responsible

- b) Give a word which is spelt differently but which has exactly the same pronunciation as each of the following words taken from the text (0'75):

knows:

road:

their:

5. a) The writer is now talking about a real experience **he** had with a cat. Make the appropriate changes to the verbs in brackets in the following extract (1 punto):

When I least (expect) it, the cruel cat (run out) in front of the first lane of traffic and, looking at me with wide open eyes, (make) me lose control of the car. Of course, the cat then (walk on) and (leave) the scene of the crime as quickly as it could.

- b) Now rephrase this last sentence, so that your version means exactly the same (0'5 puntos):

-Dogs are very stupid, so they are not a danger to human life.
If dogs ...

6. Talk about the problems of keeping pets. (100 - 120 words) (4 puntos)