

LÍNGUA ESTRANGEIRA MODERNA

INGLÊS — QUESTÕES de 1 a 10

INSTRUÇÃO: Para responder a essas questões, identifique APENAS UMA ÚNICA alternativa correta e marque a letra correspondente na Folha de Respostas.

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TEXTO:

Parte I

New round of ecological disasters feared

British scientists say El Niño climate trend, high level of greenhouse gases could be causes

LONDON — Deepening drought in Australia. Stronger typhoons in Asia. Floods in Latin America.

5 British climate scientists predict that a resurgent El Niño climate trend combined with higher levels of greenhouse gases could touch off a fresh round of ecological disasters — and make 2007 the world's hottest year on record.

10 "Even a moderate (El Niño) warming event is enough to push the global temperatures over the top," said Phil Jones, director of the Climatic Research unit at the University of East Anglia.

15 The warmest year on record is 1998, when the average global temperature was 1.2 degrees Fahrenheit higher than the long-term average of 57 degrees. Though such a change appears small, incremental differences can, for example, add to the ferocity of storms by evaporating more steam off the ocean.

20 There is a 60 percent chance that the average global temperature for 2007 will match or break the record, Britain's Meteorological Office said Thursday. The consequences of the high temperatures could be felt worldwide.

25 El Niño, which is now under way in the Pacific Ocean and is expected to last until May, occurs irregularly. But when it does, winters in Southeast Asia

tend to become milder, summers in Australia get drier, and Pacific storms can be more intense.

New round of ecological disasters feared. **Houston Chronicle**. Houston. Jan. 2007. p. A17.

Questão 1

The point discussed in the text is that

- A) the average global temperature will reach 57°.
- B) the El Niño will be moderate this time of the year.
- C) high temperatures will fall abruptly in the coming year.
- D) the storms will cause catastrophes over the next decades.
- E) scientists are worried about possible new series of ecological disasters.

Questão 2

Based on the text, the world is likely to experience its hottest recorded year because of the

- A) effects of El Niño and the warming of the Earth.
- B) strong winds and the ferocity of the storms.
- C) droughts and the strong typhoons.
- D) hurricanes and heavy rains.
- E) cold fronts and heat waves.

Questão 3

Comparing the year 2007 with 1998, scientists predict that 2007 will be _____ 1998

- A) as cool as. C) milder than. E) less hot than.
- B) hotter than. D) better than.

Questão 4

Match the columns considering the words from the text and their meanings

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|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| (I) "fresh" (l. 5) | () hot gas from boiling water |
| (II) "touch off" (l. 5) | () in motion, in operation |
| (III) "push" (l. 9) | () new, recent |
| (IV) "steam" (l. 17) | () initiate |
| (V) "under way" (l. 23) | () move forcefully |

The alternative that presents the correct sequence, from top to bottom, is

- A) I, II, III, IV, V. D) III, I, II, IV, V.
- B) I, III, V, II, IV. E) IV, V, I, II, III.
- C) II, IV, I, V, III.

Questão 5

- I. "The consequences of high temperatures **could be felt** worldwide" (l. 20-22)
- II. The whole world _____ the consequences of high temperatures

To transform the passive voice (I) into the active voice (II), the blank can be suitably filled in with the verbal form

- A) could feel. C) have felt. E) felt.
- B) can feel. D) feels.

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Parte II

The U.N.'s Food Aid Organization has warned that rising temperatures could wreak agricultural destruction.

5 In other cases, El Niño's effects are more ambiguous. Rains linked to the phenomenon led to bumper crops in Argentina in 1998, but floods elsewhere in Latin America devastated subsistence farmers.

El Niño also can do some good. It tends to take the punch out of the Atlantic hurricane season by generating crosswinds that can rip the storms apart.

10 What is clear is that the cumulative effect of El Niño and global warming are taking the Earth's temperatures to record heights.

"El Niño is an independent variable," Jones said.

15 "But the underlying trends in the warming of the Earth is almost certainly a result of the release of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere."

The report came a day after the weather service reported that 2006 had been Britain's warmest year since 20 1659, and three months after Sir Nicholas Stern, a senior government economist, estimated that the effects of climate change could eventually cost nations 5 percent

to 20 percent of global gross domestic product yearly.

"The evidence that we're doing something very dangerous with the climate is now amassing," said 25 Campaign against Climate Change coordinator Philip Thornhill.

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Questão 6

According to the text, it is correct to say that

- A) crops in Argentina are not abundant.
- B) rains devastated all farms in Australia.
- C) very hot weather is bad for agriculture.
- D) the El Niño has more advantages than disadvantages.
- E) the rich countries spend a lot of money to help the poor ones.

Questão 7

The pair of words whose letters in bold have the same pronunciation is

- A) "crops" (l. 5) — "good" (l. 7).
- B) "floods" (l. 5) — "Food" (l. 1).
- C) "heights" (l. 12) — "day" (l. 17).
- D) "service" (l. 17) — "evidence" (l. 23).
- E) "climate" (l. 21) — "since" (l. 18).

Questão 8

In relation to language usage in the text, one can say that

- A) "rising" (l. 2) is a verb the Present Continuous tense.
- B) "'s in El Niño's" (l. 3) is the Present Simple of be, 3rd person singular.
- C) "led" (l. 4) is the past tense of lead.
- D) "are taking" (l. 11) is in the direct speech.
- E) "change" (l. 21) is functioning as a verb.

QUESTÕES 9 e 10

Hi & Lois



BROWNE, Chance. **Houston Chronicle Comics**. Jan. 2007. p. E13.

Questão 9

Analyze these sentences:

- I. The children are brothers and sisters.
- II. The weather is cold and it's snowing.
- III. The boys and the girls are wearing warm clothes.
- IV. The boys can't recognize the girls.
- V. One boy says that Beth is prettier than Liz.

According to the cartoon, the alternative containing the correct statements is

- A) I and II. C) III and IV. E) I, II and IV.
- B) II and III. D) IV and V.

Questão 10

Based on the sentence "at this time of the year.", the boy refers to

- A) a leap year. D) one time in the past.
- B) the near future. E) a season of the year.
- C) a day of the week.