


Presentational Writing Directions

This section of the test consists of a written assignment to which you must respond in Spanish. You are to prepare a written response on the assigned topic. You should use your time to plan, write, review, and edit your response to the assignment.

Read the assignment carefully before you begin to type. Think about how you will organize your response.

A variety of Spanish characters are available for insertion in a response. To access these characters, either click on the  icon that appears in the upper left corner of the screen or type characters using the Reference Sheet of codes presented on the left side of the screen.

Your score will depend on the extent to which you effectively communicate a whole message, in Spanish, to the specified audience for the stated purpose. You will be assessed on your ability to express, organize, and support opinions and ideas, not on the position you take. Your response to the assignment will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

Purpose: The extent to which the response fulfills the assignment and is appropriate for the intended audience

Organization and Coherence: The extent to which ideas are effectively sequenced and logically connected

Development: The extent to which ideas are developed with relevant supporting details

Syntax and Grammar: The extent to which the response exhibits a command of syntax and grammar

Vocabulary: The extent to which the response demonstrates a command and range of vocabulary and idiomatic expressions

Mechanics: The extent to which the response demonstrates accuracy of spelling, diacritical marks, and punctuation

You are to prepare a written response to this assignment of approximately 300–400 words. Be sure to write about the assigned topic. You may not use any reference materials during the test. This should be your original work, written in your own words, and not copied or paraphrased from some other work. Remember to review what you have written and make any changes you think will improve your response.

Select the **Next** button to continue.