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Prado Museum

The Prado's building had its start in 1785 when Charles III commissioned the architect Juan de Villanueva to design a natural-science museum. The construction of the Neoclassical-style building was interrupted during the Napoleonic Wars, but it was completed under Ferdinand VII in 1819 and was opened to the public as the Royal Museum of Painting. In 1868 it became the National Museum of the Prado after the exile of Isabella II, who had enlarged the collection with paintings from the royal palaces and the Escorial.

The Prado's holdings originally consisted of the art collected by the Habsburg and Bourbon monarchs of Spain. The collection of Charles V (reigned 1516–56) was enlarged by Philip II (1556–98); both of these kings were important patrons of Titian. The royal holdings were further enlarged by Philip IV (1621–65), who commissioned his court painter, Diego Velázquez, to purchase paintings in Italy for him. Philip V (1700–46) added many French Baroque works to the collection, and Ferdinand VII assembled together all the paintings from the various royal collections (except those in the Escorial) in the new building of the Prado. In 1872 the museum acquired many notable paintings that were formerly owned by Spanish convents and monasteries. Further additions to the collections, as well as to the building, were made in the 20th century. In 1971 the Prado annexed the nearby Casón del Buen Retiro, which was built in 1637 as a ballroom for the Buen Retiro Palace. Work on a new wing began in 2002 and was completed in 2007. Designed by architect Rafael Moneo, it expanded the museum by more than 235,000 square feet (22,000 square metres).

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1. Answer these questions with full sentences. (2 marks)

- What was the first purpose of the Museum when it was built?
- Under what name was opened to the public?
- Name two kings that were important patrons.
- Why do you think an extension had to be built?

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2. Complete the following questions with the right word/s. (1,6 marks)

Example: What 's your name?

1. _____ do you usually have dinner, at 6pm?
2. _____ do you do in your leisure time?
3. _____ do you do exercise?
4. _____ brothers and sisters have you got?
5. _____ have you lived in Madrid?
6. _____ one do you prefer?
7. _____ does this jacket cost?
8. _____ did you say that? –Because I was angry.

3. Present simple or present continuous? Write the correct form of the verb. (1 mark)

Example: I have a shower every morning (I/have)

1. Peter _____ really hard for his exams this week. (study)
2. Betsie _____ her teeth three times a day. (wash)
3. _____ you _____ walking on Saturdays? (go)
4. Listen! The birds _____ (sing)
5. My girlfriend _____ rock music. (not like)

4. Complete each sentence using the superlative or the comparative form of an adjective from the box: (1,4 marks)

expensive small tall good cheap funny interesting sad
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Example: *His new novel is more interesting than the last one.*

- a) Peter had _____ experience in his life in that school, it was terrible for him.
- b) It was _____ meal I ever had, it cost 120 euros.
- c) This car is _____ than mine, it's a good car.
- d) This joke is _____ than your jokes, people are still laughing.
- e) My brother is _____ in the family, my parents and I are short.

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- f) My bedroom is _____ than my sister's, which is really big.
g) They always buy _____ food in the supermarket, as they've got little money.

5. Some words are opposite. Write the opposite of these words: (1 mark)

Example: *Open/close; cold/ hot*

Full/_____; Short/_____; Ugly/_____; Before/_____; Late/_____;

Last/_____; Rich/_____; Cheap/_____; Southern/_____;

Start/_____

6. Complete the sentences with may, should, can, must or mustn't: (1 mark)

Example: *Paul can swim very well, he's a champion*

- a) You _____ always fasten your seat belt in a car.
b) I _____ lend you some money if you need it.
c) Wait for me at the station, I _____ be late.
d) If you are very ill, you _____ smoke.
e) With that headache I think you _____ go to the doctor's.

7. Write a paragraph of 40 or 50 words about experiences in your childhood. (2 marks)