

Pruebas de Acceso a las Universidades de Castilla y León

INGLÉS LOGSE Texto para los Alumnos

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Lea todo el texto y las preguntas. Responda en inglés a las preguntas. Puntuación máxima: 10 puntos. Tiempo: una hora y media.

TEXT

IT'S GETTING WORSE AGAIN

When you look at racial segregation in America's schools, another new study presents a bleaker picture. The Harvard report produces some discouraging figures from the country's public—state-run—schools. After the schools began desegregating in the mid-1950s, they became steadily more integrated until the late 1980s; but then the trend slowed down, and went into reverse. On average, white children go to schools that are 80% white.

Segregation is worst in the largest city school systems, where enrolment is now overwhelmingly non-white. Yet it is also a problem in the suburbs, where schools once largely white are now mostly black or brown. As the minorities move out from the city centres, whites move even farther out. As the report shows, schools now closely follow housing patterns; if these are heavily segregated, the schools will be too.

The report's most striking finding, however, is the emergence of Latinos both as the fastest-growing minority and the most segregated one. They are divided from whites and blacks not only by race but also by poverty and language. They also do worst at school, with the highest drop-out rates. Their presence now is worrying proof that racial segregation in the schools will get worse before it gets better.

QUESTIONS

- 1. Read the text and, according to it, answer the questions. Use your own words. Your answer will be evaluated from 0 to 1 each (3 as a whole).
 - a) What has happened in American schools after the late 1980s?
 - b) Why segregation is also a problem in the suburbs?
 - c) Why Latinos are the most segregated minority?
- 2. Transform the following sentences according to the instructions. Answers will be assessed from 0 to 0.5 each (2 as a whole).
 - a) Write a question to which the following words are the answer: Segregation is worst in the largest city schools systems.
 - b) Put into the past: enrolment is now overwhelmingly non-white.
 - c) Put into the passive: schools now closely follow housing patterns.
 - d) Join the two sentences by means of a relative pronoun: Latinos are the fastest-growing minority. They are divided from whites and blacks by race, poverty and language.
- 3. Find a synonym in the text for each of the words below. 0 to 0.25 each (1 as a whole).
 - a) medium
- b) registration
- c) model
- d) noticeable
- 4. Write about one of the following topics, between 70-100 words (**0-4 marks**).
 - a) Main problems of immigration in Spain.
 - b) A good method to get good marks.