



UNIVERSIDAD DE LA RIOJA

Pruebas de Acceso a la Universidad para Mayores de 25 años

Convocatoria: 2004

ASIGNATURA: INGLÉS

TIEMPO DE REALIZACIÓN: 1 HORA

Throughout history, the search for salt has played an important role in society. Where it was scarce, salt was traded ounce for ounce with gold. Rome's major highway was called the *Via Salaria*, that is, the Salt Road. Along that road, Roman soldiers transported salt crystals from the salt flats at Ostia up the Tiber River. In return, they received a *salarium* or salary, which was literally money paid to soldiers to buy salt. The old saying "worth their salt", which means to be *valuable*, derives from the custom of payment during the Empire.

A) Resuma en lengua inglesa y en una sola frase la idea original del texto.

B) Responda a la siguientes preguntas relativas al texto:

B1- ¿Sobre qué trata este texto básicamente?

- 1) The old saying "worth their salt"
- 2) The Roman Empire
- 3) Salt
- 4) Ancient trade

B2- De acuerdo con el pasaje, los bancos de sal se localizan en:

- 1) Rome
- 2) Tiber
- 3) Ostia
- 4) Salaria

B3- *Salarium* es una palabra latina que significa:

- 1) Salt
- 2) Salary
- 3) Soldiers
- 4) The Salt Road

B4- Si un hombre es "worth his salt", este hombre es:

- 1) A soldier
- 2) A thirsty person
- 3) A valuable employee
- 4) A highly paid worker

C) Traduzca al español los diferentes términos o expresiones:

- C1- Throughout history
- C2- The search for
- C3- Scarce
- C4- In return

D) Responda en inglés y en aproximadamente 50 palabras a la siguiente pregunta: ¿Qué formas tiene una persona de ganarse su salario?