

INSTRUCTION: Answer questions 51 to 55 according to text 1.

TEXT 1

01 Nobody likes to feel impotent when facing facts.
02 But according to many psychologists, those who do
03 not want or do not know how to use power go far beyond
04 a disagreeable and temporary sensation: they condemn
05 themselves to a life of frustrations.

06 What is not lacking in our society are theories and
07 methods to teach us how to be more assertive and
08 how to be more powerful. However, as any *order-giver*
09 knows and is tired of hearing, power brings many
10 problems with it. To understand these, it is enough to
11 take into consideration that exercising power results
12 in notable psychological changes, such as evaluating
13 others much more unfavorably when they are regarded
14 as manipulable. When we have managed to have others
15 do what we want, regardless of how praiseworthy and
16 efficient their behavior has been, we tend to attribute
17 the success to the excellence of our orders, and not
18 to their skills and motivations.

(Source: *Icaro, In Flight Magazine*)

51) According to the text,

- A) not following what psychologists believe can be very frustrating.
- B) there are ways one may learn to be more confident.
- C) by giving orders one lives a tiring and problematic life.
- D) not everyone takes psychological changes into consideration.
- E) powerful people are manipulable.

52) According to the second paragraph, exercising power can be

- A) the result of psychological changes.
- B) conducive to frustrations.
- C) helpful to evaluate other people.
- D) both important and misleading.
- E) necessary to face the facts of life.

53) The terms in the text that express positive characteristics are all of the ones below, **EXCEPT**

- A) assertive (line 07).
- B) powerful (line 08).
- C) manipulable (line 14).
- D) praiseworthy (line 15).
- E) efficient (line 16).

54) De acordo com seu uso no texto, pertencem à mesma categoria gramatical os termos da alternativa

- A) according (line 02) – sensation (line 04).
- B) temporary (line 04) – lacking (line 06).
- C) assertive (line 07) – exercising (line 11).
- D) notable (line 12) – unfavorably (line 13).
- E) praiseworthy (line 15) – efficient (line 16).

55) Without a change in meaning, the term “much” (line 13) can be substituted by

- A) very.
- B) many.
- C) far.
- D) some.
- E) as.

INSTRUCTION: Answer questions 56 to 60 according to text 2.

TEXT 2

01 “The idea that the Swedish economy is headed for
02 a crash is nonsense,” Blomkvist said.
03 “You have to distinguish between two things – the
04 Swedish economy and the Swedish stock market. The
05 Swedish economy is the sum of all the goods and
06 services that are produced in this country every day.
07 There are telephones from Eric, cars from Volvo,
08 chickens from Scan, and shipments from Kiruna to
09 Svövke. That’s the Swedish economy, and it’s just as
10 strong or weak today as it was a week ago.”
11 He paused for effect and took a sip of water.
12 “The Stock Exchange is something very different.
13 There is no economy and no production of goods and
14 services. There are only fantasies in which people from
15 one hour to the next decide that this or that company
16 is worth so many billions, more or less. It doesn’t have
17 a thing to do with reality or with the Swedish economy.”
18 “So you’re saying that it doesn’t matter if the Stock
19 Exchange drops like a rock?”

LARSSON, S. (2009) *The girl with the dragon tattoo*.
Vintage, pp.626-627.

56) Text 2

- A) deals with an economical situation.
- B) identifies all that Swedish companies produce.
- C) clarifies the meaning of terms in Economics.
- D) advises citizens to make investments.
- E) describes the exact financial situation of Sweden.

57) The expression “to be headed for”, as used in line 01, is semantically related to

- A) meeting a deadline.
- B) organizing things.
- C) leading something.
- D) being at the top.
- E) moving forward.

58) The dictionary definition for the term “stock” (line 04) that best fits its use in the text is

- A) a supply of goods that is available for sale.
- B) the value of shares.
- C) farm animals that are kept for their meat, wool, etc.
- D) the type of family or ancestors.
- E) the degree to which something is respected.

59) Pela expressão “it’s just as strong or weak today as it was a week ago” (lines 09-10) entende-se que a economia da Suécia

- A) está tão forte hoje como na semana passada.
- B) está mais fraca do que estava na semana passada.
- C) apresenta uma variação significativa, semana após semana.
- D) depende das oscilações das ações.
- E) aposta tanto na fraqueza como na força de seu mercado.

60) From the character’s explanation, the most probable answer to the question in lines 18-19 is

- A) No, that’s really important.
- B) Yes, Stock Exchange rates vary.
- C) No, the dropping of exchange rates could make a difference.
- D) Yes, the economy depends on it.
- E) Definitely not.

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