

## LÍNGUA INGLESA

**INSTRUÇÃO:** As questões de 01 a 10 referem-se ao texto abaixo.

### Harry Houdini – Magician (1874-1926)

01 Famed magician and entertainer Harry Houdini was born Erich Weisz on March 24, 1874, in Budapest, Hungary.  
02 One of seven children born to a Jewish rabbi and his wife, Erich moved with his family as a child to Appleton,  
03 Wisconsin, where he later claimed he was born. When he was 13, Erich moved with his father to New York City,  
04 taking on odd jobs and living in a boarding house before the rest of the family joined them. It was there that he  
05 became interested in trapeze arts.

06 In 1894, Erich launched his career as a professional magician and renamed himself Harry Houdini, the first  
07 name being a derivative of his childhood nickname, "Ehrie," and the last an homage to the great French magician  
08 Jean Eugène Robert-Houdin. Though his magic met with little success, he soon drew attention for his feats of escape  
09 using handcuffs. In 1893, Houdini married fellow performer Wilhelmina Beatrice Rahner, who would serve as his  
10 lifelong stage assistant.

11 In 1899, Houdini's act caught the attention of Martin Beck, an entertainment manager who soon got him booked  
12 at some of the best vaudeville\* theaters in the country, followed by a tour of Europe. Houdini's feats would involve the  
13 local police, who would search him for keys, chain his wrists, and lock him in their jails. The show was a huge  
14 sensation, and he soon became the highest-paid performer in American vaudeville.

15 Houdini continued his act in the United States in the early 1900s, constantly making it more challenging, moving  
16 from handcuffs and straitjackets to locked water-filled tanks and nailed packing wooden boxes. In 1912, his act  
17 reached its pinnacle with the Chinese Water Torture Cell, which would be the hallmark of his career, and from then on  
18 he became a legend. In it, Houdini was suspended by his feet and lowered upside-down in a locked glass cabinet  
19 filled with water, requiring him to hold his breath for more than three minutes to escape. The performance was so  
20 daring and such a crowd-pleaser that it remained in his act until his death in 1926.

21 \_\_\_\_\_ there are mixed reports as to the cause of Harry Houdini's death, it is certain that he suffered from  
22 acute appendicitis. Whether his death was caused by a McGill University student who was testing his will by  
23 punching him in the stomach (with permission) or by poison from a band of angry Spiritualists, it is unknown. What is  
24 known is that he died of peritonitis from a ruptured appendix on October 31, 1926, at the age of 52, in Detroit,  
25 Michigan.

26 After his death, Houdini's props and effects were used by his brother Theodore Hardeen, who eventually sold  
27 them to magician and collector Sidney H. Radner. Much of the collection could be seen at the Houdini Museum in  
28 Appleton, Wisconsin, and remained there until Radner auctioned it off in 2004. Most of the prized pieces, including  
29 the Chinese Water Torture Cell, went to magician David Copperfield.

\* vaudeville: espetáculo de variedades

Disponível em: <<http://www.biography.com/people/harry-houdini-40056#synopsis>>. Acesso em: 23 jul. 14. (Parcial e adaptado.)

01

Assinale a alternativa que completa adequadamente a lacuna no texto, na linha 21.

- a) **Whenever**
- b) **Neither**
- c) **Instead of**
- d) **Though**
- e) **Unless**

02

Com base no primeiro parágrafo do texto, é correto afirmar que **Harry Houdini**

- a) tinha sete irmãos.
- b) pertencia a uma família de origem judaica.
- c) mudou-se três vezes quando jovem.
- d) morou em um albergue.
- e) trabalhou em um circo com sua família.

03

É correto afirmar que o segmento **the first name being a derivative of his childhood nickname, "Ehrie"** (linhas 06 e 07), em relação à frase que o antecede, encerra uma

- a) contradição.
- b) comparação.
- c) explicação.
- d) conclusão.
- e) adição.

04

Considerando o texto, assinale a alternativa em que o termo presente na **Coluna B** melhor traduz o da **Coluna A**.

	<b>Coluna A</b>	<b>Coluna B</b>
a)	<b>homage</b> (linha 07)	<i>tributo</i>
b)	<b>fellow</b> (linha 09)	<i>competente</i>
c)	<b>wrists</b> (linha 13)	<i>tornozelos</i>
d)	<b>nailed</b> (linha 16)	<i>envernizadas</i>
e)	<b>will</b> (linha 22)	<i>fraqueza</i>

05

De acordo com o texto, **Harry Houdini**

- I tinha um apelido de infância.
- II dizia ter nascido nos EUA.
- III trabalhou como camelô quando vivia em Nova Iorque.

Das alternativas acima, é possível afirmar que

- a) apenas I está correta.
- b) apenas II está correta.
- c) apenas I e II estão corretas.
- d) apenas II e III estão corretas.
- e) I, II e III estão corretas.

06

Assinale a alternativa que apresenta a referência correta para os termos sublinhados nos segmentos a seguir.

a)	<b>When he was 13, Erich moved with his father to New York City, taking on odd jobs and living in a boarding house before the rest of the family joined <u>them</u></b> (linhas 03 e 04). – <u>them</u> refere-se a <b>Erich e his father</b> (linha 03).
b)	<b>In 1893, Houdini married fellow performer Wilhelmina Beatrice Rahner, <u>who</u> would serve as his lifelong stage assistant</b> (linhas 09 e 10). – <u>who</u> refere-se a <b>Houdini</b> (linha 09).
c)	<b>In 1899, Houdini's act caught the attention of Martin Beck, an entertainment manager who soon got <u>him</u> booked at some of the best vaudeville theaters in the country</b> (linhas 11 e 12). – <u>him</u> refere-se a <b>Martin Beck</b> (linha 11).
d)	<b>In 1912, his act reached its pinnacle with the Chinese Water Torture Cell, <u>which</u> would be the hallmark of his career, and from then on he became a legend</b> (linhas 16 a 18). – <u>which</u> refere-se a <b>act</b> (linha 16).
e)	<b>Much of the collection could be seen at the Houdini Museum in Appleton, Wisconsin, and remained there until Radner auctioned <u>it</u> off in 2004</b> (linhas 27 e 28). – <u>it</u> refere-se a <b>Houdini Museum</b> (linha 27).

07

Com base no texto, analise as proposições a seguir quanto à veracidade (V) ou falsidade (F).

- ( ) Após casar-se com Houdini, Wilhelmina deixou de trabalhar como sua assistente.
- ( ) Houdini apresentou o número da Cella de Tortura Chinesa com Água até o final de sua vida.
- ( ) Houdini era mergulhado em pé em um tanque de vidro cheio de água.

Assinale a alternativa que preenche correta e respectivamente os parênteses, de cima para baixo.

- a) V – F – F
- b) V – F – V
- c) V – V – F
- d) F – V – V
- e) F – V – F

08

Com base no texto, analise as proposições a seguir quanto à veracidade (V) ou falsidade (F).

- ( ) O termo **challenging** (linha 15) pode ser melhor traduzido por *desafiador*.
- ( ) O termo **Whether** (linha 22) pode ser substituído por *However*.
- ( ) Como parte de seu espetáculo, Houdini era revistado pela polícia.

Assinale a alternativa que preenche correta e respectivamente os parênteses, de cima para baixo.

- a) V – V – F
  - b) F – V – F
  - c) F – V – V
  - d) V – F – V
  - e) V – F – F
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09

Com base no texto, analise as proposições a seguir quanto à veracidade (V) ou falsidade (F).

- ( ) Houdini fez sucesso com suas mágicas desde o início de sua carreira.
- ( ) Foi comprovado que um envenenamento causou a morte do mágico.
- ( ) Um estudante deu socos no estômago do mágico.

Assinale a alternativa que preenche correta e respectivamente os parênteses, de cima para baixo

- a) F – V – V
  - b) V – F – F
  - c) V – V – F
  - d) F – F – V
  - e) F – V – F
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10

De acordo com o texto, é correto afirmar que

- a) os objetos e artefatos de Houdini foram doados após sua morte.
- b) a causa da morte de Houdini foi motivo de especulações.
- c) Houdini lançou-se como mágico juntamente com Jean Eugène Robert-Houdin.
- d) Houdini serrava correntes no número da Cela de Tortura Chinesa com Água.
- e) David Copperfield copiou o número da Cela de Tortura Chinesa com Água.