

**PRUEBA DE ACCESO A CICLOS FORMATIVOS DE GRADO SUPERIOR Y PRUEBA DE
MADUREZ PARA EL ACCESO A LAS ENSEÑANZAS ARTÍSTICAS SUPERIORES**

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“MARRIED AT ELEVEN”

Children are suffering in many parts of the world, like those young girls who have to do domestic labour and are forced to get married at an early age. Nada Al-Ahdal, an 11-year-old girl from Yemen, whose parents arranged to marry her off to a wealthy man, posted a video on YouTube explaining why she ran away to avoid a forced marriage: “I would have had no life, no education. Don’t they have any compassion? I’m better off dead. I’d rather die than be forced into an arranged marriage.”

The girl said she would not accept it, and went to live with her uncle, potentially risking her life. “Some children decided to throw themselves into the sea, and they’re dead now. They have killed our dreams, they have killed everything inside us. There’s nothing left. There is no education. This is criminal, this is simply criminal,” she said. Nada’s uncle, Abdel, said it was the second time he protected his niece from being married at such a young age. “When I heard about the wedding, I panicked,” he said. “Nada was not even 11 years old; she was exactly 10 years and 3 months. I could not allow her to be married off and have her future destroyed.”

He added: “I did all I could to prevent that marriage. I called the groom and told him Nada was not suitable for him. I told him she did not wear the veil and he asked if things were going to remain like that. I said ‘yes, and I agree because she chose it.’”

Nada’s future is still uncertain, like the future of many other young girls in the same situation.



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1. Answer questions according to the information given in the text. Use your own words (1.5 points).

- a. Why did Nada turn to YouTube?

- b. What was Nada's first reaction to her parents' marriage arrangements?

- c. What did Nada's uncle do to avoid the marriage?

2. Are these statements TRUE OR FALSE? Justify your answers with the precise words or phrases from the text, or use your own words (1 point).

- a. She is the first child to react radically to their parents' decision in Yemen.

- b. Nada's parents had tried to marry her before.

3. Find a synonym in the text for the following words (1.5 points):

- a . **escaped** (paragraph 1)

- b. **agree to** (paragraph 2)

- c. **stay** (paragraph 3)



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4. Find in the text the word which has the following definition (0.5 points):

“A man who is about to be married”: _____

5. Fill in the gap with the correct preposition (0.5 points):

“Nada's uncle did what he could to prevent her _____ getting married”.(of / for / from / to)

6. Give a question for the underlined words (1 point):

“I did all I could to prevent that marriage”

7. Join the following sentences using a relative. Make changes if necessary (1 point):

Nada must also have an opportunity to live her own life. She lives in Yemen.

8. Write a short essay (about 100/ 120 words) on ONE of the following topics (3 points) :

- Should teenagers decide about their own future alone or guided by their parents?
Explain

OR

- At what age should a teenager have her first serious boyfriend / girlfriend? How old were you when you had your first serious relationship?