

INGLÉS

INDICACIONES: Los dispositivos que pueden conectarse a internet o que pueden recibir o emitir información deben estar apagados durante la celebración del examen y no pueden estar a la vista.

JANE AUSTEN

The English writer Jane Austen was one of the most important novelists of the nineteenth century. Although her novels received favourable reviews, she was not celebrated as an author during her life.

She was born on December 16, 1775, at Steventon, in the south of England, where her father served as a preacher for the rural community. She was the seventh of eight children. As one of only two girls, Jane was very attached to her sister throughout her life. At the age of six she was writing verses. A two-year stay at a small boarding school trained Jane in needlework, dancing, French, drawing, and spelling, all training geared to produce marriageable young women. It was this social atmosphere and feminine identity that Jane so skillfully satirized in her many works of fiction. She never married herself.

Austen began writing as a young girl and by the age of fourteen had completed *Love and Friendship*. This early work, an amusing parody of the overdramatic novels popular at that time, shows clear signs of her talent for humorous and satirical writing. Three volumes of her collected young writings were published more than a hundred years after her death.

Jane Austen's first major novel was *Sense and Sensibility*, whose main characters are two sisters. The first draft was written in 1795 and was titled *Elinor and Marianne*. In 1797 Austen rewrote the novel and titled it *Sense and Sensibility*. After years of polishing, it was finally published in 1811.

In 1796, when Austen was twenty-one years old, she wrote the novel *First Impressions*. The work was rewritten and published under the title *Pride and Prejudice* in 1813. It is her most popular and perhaps her greatest novel.

In 1811 Jane Austen began *Mansfield Park*, which was published in 1814. It is her most severe exercise in moral analysis and presents a conservative view of ethics, politics, and religion.

She died in Winchester, England (July 18, 1887), where she had gone to seek medical attention, and was buried there.

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1. Translate the first, second and third paragraphs into Spanish. (6 points)
 2. Choose the correct option A,B,C for each question and COPY the sentence onto your answer sheet. (2p)
 - 1)
 - A) Jane Austen had seven children.
 - B) Jane Austen had six brothers and one sister.
 - C) Jane Austen had seven brothers.
 - 2)
 - A) Jane Austen wrote many fairy tales.
 - B) Her first piece of work was a novel.
 - C) She wrote rhymes when she was very young.
 - 3)
 - A) Jane Austen went to Winchester because she was ill.
 - B) She was buried where she was born.
 - C) She went to Winchester to visit her sister.
 3. In your opinion, what are the advantages and disadvantages of communicating with your friends electronically? (80 -100 words) (2 points)