

Ejercicio 2- Ensayo.

According to some research carried out by the National Education Authorities, the general educational level **is** poorer and poorer. The report released yesterday says that once **the** students reach the age of 16 and the compulsory education period is over, the number of students that quit studying increases dramatically. Besides this, their marks at Secondary School are far from what **it** would have been considered acceptable some years ago; the report concludes saying that all the different parts involved in the **education** process such as teachers, students, parents and educational institutions are equally responsible for this situation and that a period of public discussion at a political level should be opened in order to find a solution.

Comentario [s1]: Is becoming

Comentario [s2]: Not necessary

Comentario [s3]: Not needed here

Comentario [s4]: educational

In my view this report confirms what was already a fact, that once **the student** reach the working age the prospect of getting easy money in the flourishing building business was the main cause for their leaving; in addition to this, in a world where the differences between the salary a professional or a manual worker **get** for their job are so narrow, it is difficult to convince a teenager that getting a university degree is the best option for his future. Together with this, most of the students with a university diploma have no choice and are forced to **working** as permanent **students** for the different universities and companies as **award holders** getting small salaries that reinforce the idea **of** quitting studying at an early age is the best option.

Comentario [s5]: students

Comentario [s6]: gets

Comentario [s7]: work

Comentario [s8]: research students

Comentario [s9]: interns

Comentario [s10]: that

Notwithstanding this the educational standard at university level **mustn't** be so bad as Spanish professionals are widely accepted and **wanted** in Europe, for instance in Portugal and in the UK as well, Spanish doctors and nurses are welcomed, computer engineers are also welcomed in Belgium and Germany; by and large our graduates are very well trained and it is strange that their studies are not so **well considered** in the domestic **working** market. ***322 words to here-remember your limit was 250 +/- 10%.

Comentario [s11]: can't be that

Comentario [s12]: sought-after

Comentario [s13]: highly-thought of

Comentario [s14]: labour

To conclude, I strongly believe that this is a National problem that must be faced by both all education administrations and families; the love for effort and studying that was typical of past generations has given way to a generation of spoiled children that was born in the late eighties who had all their needs covered by their parents and that took everything for granted; besides this the aim of the different education administrations has been that of providing every child with a diploma irrespective of whether they had passed all the courses or not; wrong policy that gives the student the impression that he is going to have a diploma whatever the effort he makes. The implementation of a wrong policy whose side effect was that of downgrading the professional status of the new graduates that chain endless research contracts in order to be

well trained and ready for a working contract that for the same reason ,it is rarely offered. If this sort of training contracts had a fixed duration and the different companies were obliged to turn these temporary contracts into a fix one after a determined period of training, students would become workers and their diplomas would be much more appreciated.

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Excellent. You have used some phrases and constructions which would not be out of place in a piece of work produced by an educated native-speaker-just be careful with phrases like 'well-considered' which can sometimes be 'false friends' of a quite deceptive nature.SLP 3+