



## TASQUES ACADÈMIQUES DURANT EL PERIODE DE CONFINAMENT

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### READING

**1. These key words words appear in the text. Match them with definitions 1-4.**

- a. a craze
- b. to be into something
- c. slang
- d. to stand out

- 1. *Informal words and expressions*
- 2. *Something that suddenly becomes very popular.*
- 3. *To really like something (informal)*
- 4. *To be different and easily identified.*

**2. How do you say the words in exercise 1 in your language?**

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.



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### They've got "the look"

**A.** Japanese teenagers are not only shocking their parents, they're also shocking each other. Because they are under incredible pressure to be very succesful but modest, teenagers in Japan often look for ways to escape. The craze they are into at the moment is called *Yamamba* - "witch" in Japanese - and the idea is to look as unnatural as possible.

**B.** Yamamba girls wear tiny miniskirts, high plataforms boots and massive quantities of make-up. Yamamba boys dress exactly the same (except for the miniskirts!). Their hair can be any colour: blonde, blue, even green, but not normal black. Some of them paint their faces totally white and others spend hours on sunbeds to get a very dark tan.

**C.** The Yamamba go around in large groups. They laugh and shout without getting embarrassed about their behaviour. They eat in fast food bars, shop in trendy stores and adore mobile phones. They speak to their friends in their own special slang and love sending text messages on their mobiles. One girl, Liu, admits that she and her friends even send messages in class, such as, "Look at these awesome clothes I'm wearing!"

**D.** It cost a lot of money to be a Yamamba, but money isn't enough. The Yamamba also practise a ritual dance called the *para para* in expensive nightclubs. Each *para para* song has its own steps and hand movements.

**E.** In Japan, schools have a strong code of conformity, especially for girls: most teenagers must wear uniforms and standing out is a bad thing. Some people believe that this craze is a serious social problem, but the Yamamba say that they are only having fun and being free - spirited. Others think they are "complete airheads", but I disagree. I think the Yamamba are making a statement against the very formal way of life in Japan and that there is more than just air in their heads.

### COGNATES AND FALSE FRIENDS

Find a cognate that means "run away" in paragraph A.

Find a false friend in paragraph C.

### BUZZ WORDS

**the look** A trendy or contemporary appearance.

**complete airheads** very silly or stupid.



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### 3. Are the sentences true or false?

1. Japanese society is very liberal with teenagers TRUE / FALSE
2. The Yamamba look very unnatural. TRUE / FALSE

### 4. Choose the best answer according to the text.

#### 1. Yamamba boys wear...

- a. platform boots
- b. hooded sweatshirts
- c. girl's clothes
- d. similar clothes to Yamamba girls.

#### 2. The word *stores* appears in the text. What does it mean?

- a. markets
- b. clothes
- c. shops
- d. streets

#### 3. The Yamamba

- a. don't speak Japanese
- b. only communicate by messages.
- c. speak English
- d. have a particular way of speaking

#### 4. The Yamamba don't

- a. stand out
- b. shop in trendy stores
- c. have black hair



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d. wear make-up

### 5. Read the questions and answer using your own words.

1. What do the Yamamba like doing?
2. What does Japanese society think about the Yamamba?
3. What does the writer think about Yamamba?

### 6. Find words in the text that mean ...

1. disturbing. (adjective, paragraph A)
2. a restaurant serving take away food, burgers, chips, etc. (noun paragraph C)
3. extremely good ( adjective, paragraph C)
4. not controlled by rules or tradition ( adjective, paragraph E)

## TASQUES D'AMPLIACIÓ (OPCIONAL/VOLUNTARI)

XTRA TASK

<http://www.adelescorner.org/listening/holiday/holiday.html>

Al finalitzar la tasca contesta aquestes preguntes (inclou-les al full d'exercicis)

Quan temps has dedicat a fer l'exercici?

Com t'ha semblat l'exercici: llarg  curt  altres: \_\_\_\_\_

Has tingut alguna dificultat per fer-lo o entregar-lo? Quina?

**Observacions:**