

Read the following text:

Marcelo Hugo Tinelli was born on April 1st, 1960 in Bolívar, Buenos Aires Province. He is an Argentine T.V. host and businessman.

After his father's death in 1971 Marcelo's family moved from Bolívar to Buenos Aires. When he was a teenager he spent time between school classes, playing football and working on Radio Rivadavia as a sport journalist.

He met María Soledad Aquino, who became his first wife on May 29, 1986. They had two daughters, Micaela and María Candelaria.

In 1990, after several years as a sports commentator, he created "Videomatch", later known as "Show de Video Match", which showed sport bloopers. Then the show was extended to other sections such as hidden cameras and music performances, and became the favourite of the Argentinean and Latin American audiences. Next, Marcelo started "Ritmo de la noche" (1991) a midnight show which had reasonable success. In 1997 he got a "Martín Fierro" for his programme.

He divorced and married Paula Robles on November 1997 and had two more children: Francisco and Juana.

In 2006, Tinelli started working on channel 13, which is Telefénico's largest competitor. The show changed from Videomatch to Showmatch since Videomatch's name was owned by Telefénico. Many people in Uruguay watch his latest success which has made him a millionaire.

Exercise II: Answer the following questions.

- a) How old is Marcelo Tinelli? _____
- b) Where was he born? _____
- c) What was his first job? _____
- d) How many children has he got? _____
- e) When did Videomatch start? _____

5 marks.

Exercise III: Match the beginning with the end of each sentence.

- a) Marcelo moved to BsAs.....
- b) Before he married Paula.....
- c) He was born
- d) Juana was born.....
- e) Tinelli left Telefénico.....

- 48 years ago.
- a few years after María Candelaria.
- after his father died.
- he was married to Soledad Aquino.
- for "Channel 13" two years ago.

5 marks.

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Exercise IV: Compare Marcelo Tinelli and Mario Pergolini.

Use the following adjectives: *old - good - thin - famous - funny*.

5 marks.

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____



July 3rd. 1964.

Exercise V: Choose the correct verb form. Put it a circle.



Marcelo likes going to the stadium. He usually (**went – go – goes**) with his family. Paula and Marcelo always (**buys – buy – bought**) biscuits and sweets and go to the stadium with the children to see San Lorenzo.

Last Sunday things were different because they (wasn't - weren't - aren't) in Bs. As. They went to visit some friends in Cordoba so they (didn't went - don't went - didn't go) to the stadium.

Next weekend they (will travel - are travelled - travel) to Santa Fe to see San Lorenzo playing a very important football match.

5 marks.

Exercise VI: Cross the odd one out.

- a) he his they she
- b) spent left moved was
- c) often once never always
- d) daughter son wife friend
- e) started began ended commenced

10 marks.

Exercise VII: What's your favourite T.V. programme? - Write one paragraph.

What do you usually watch on T.V.? Do you like Showmatch? Why?

12 marks