

- Instrucciones:**
- a) Duración: 1 hora.
 - b) Puntuación hasta 10 puntos.
 - c) Se deberá realizar una traducción sin diccionario del texto propuesto (incluyendo el título), que no tendrá que ser necesariamente una traducción literal del mismo. El texto en castellano deberá respetar las normas formales de este idioma.

Spain's Christmas lottery

The Spanish world-famous lottery takes place every December 22 and is the most popular event of the year, giving over €2,400 million in prizes. In this game, every number is divided into 10 identical segments, costing €20 each. Besides, numbers are divided into series, so there are 1,600 tickets with the same number. These tickets can be sold many times and, for that reason, there are often winners in different regions of the country.

Last year, the winning number —popularly known as *El Gordo*— was 86148. The majority of the tickets were sold in Madrid, but the top prize also reached the Canary Islands and other cities. “I haven’t processed it yet. I was in the mountains with the dogs”, said José Manuel Fernández, who had one of the tickets. “My wife couldn’t believe it, she began to scream”.

Spain's first national Christmas lottery took place on December 18, 1812. According to historians, it was first used to buy bullets and make cannons when the French troops were attacking Cádiz. This town was the last line of defence against the Napoleonic invasion.

Although the lottery was created during this event, the attack had already ended when the lottery was celebrated. However, the war continued and the lottery extended from Andalusia to the rest of Spain at the same time as the Spanish troops defeated the French. In 1814, when the war had almost ended, the main offices coordinating the lottery were transferred from Cádiz to Madrid, the city where they have stayed since then.