

1) LEAD IN

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2) READING COMPREHENSION/GRAMMAR

FILIGREE EXHIBITION SHINES LIGHT ON PORTUGAL'S HISTORIC CRAFTSMANSHIP

From December 7th to 12th, visitors at Expo 2020 Dubai had the chance to witness the traditional craft and unique expertise behind Portuguese filigree, the centuries-old art of working precious metals.



metals.

In an effort to promote the historic relationship between man and gold, as well as Portugal's northern heritage, the Portuguese Pavilion hosted two emblematic exhibitions – the “World’s Biggest Heart in Filigree” and a “Filigree Bodice”. The pavilion also received live work demonstrations by Portuguese artisans, who explained the artisanal production process and showcased various

jewellery pieces.

True or False? Correct the False one.

Portugal wants to show its historic craftmanship. _____

Portuguese artisans were selling jewellery pieces. _____

With the aim of safeguarding traditional crafts and unique know-how, the city council of Gondomar, in the North of Portugal, brought this showcase to Expo 2020 Dubai. The expectation is that this participation could significantly boost their chances to elevate the art to the level of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity by UNESCO.

Francisca Guedes de Oliveira, Portugal's Deputy Commissioner for Expo 2020 Dubai, says that “Expo 2020 Dubai is the perfect stage to show the world the authenticity and sophistication of Portuguese products that Filigree art represents so well”.

Look for synonyms for the following

words in the 2 paragraphs above:

Exhibition _____ Protecting _____

Hope _____ Purpose _____

Immaterial _____ Raise _____

Increase _____

PORTUGAL PAVILION UNVEILS THE WORLD'S BIGGEST HEART IN FILIGREE



Made by 25 artisans from 12 different companies and inspired on the silhouette of the traditional filigree heart, this piece evokes Portugal's northern identity, with the Douro River as a unifying element, as well as the logo of Gondomar, an important Portuguese production centre for goldsmithery since the 18th century.

At 1.20m tall, it is the **largest** filigree heart in the world!

Degrees of Adjectives:

Write the comparative and the superlative of superiority of the following adjectives:

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE OF SUPERIORITY	SUPERLATIVE OF SUPERIORITY
Big	_____	<i>the biggest</i>
Large	_____	<i>the largest</i>
Easy	_____	_____
Beautiful	_____	_____
Important	_____	_____
Good	_____	_____
Bad	_____	_____



FILIGREE BODICE BLENDS TRADITION WITH INNOVATION

A unique dress, made entirely by hand, filled with traditional elements of Portuguese filigree. The piece involved more than 10 artisans and over 2,040 hours of meticulous work.

TRADITION OF FILIGREE ART IN NORTHERN PORTUGAL

At the heart of Gondomar, in northern Portugal, you can enter the Filigree Route, which takes you through the ancient production process, step by step, visiting genuine goldsmiths who introduce you to their legacy. But what exactly is filigree?

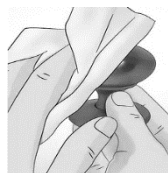
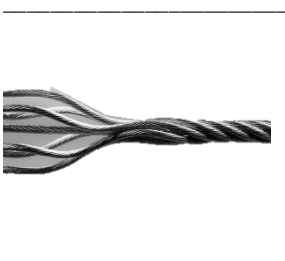
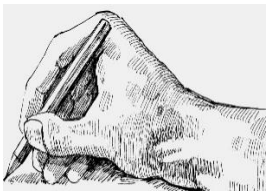
Filigree is the art of working precious metals, combining fine strands of gold or silver in a design of circular, spiral motifs that form a charming lace effect. The process involves **drawing, moulding, twisting, beating, heating, bleaching, filling and welding**.

This centuries-old art form from the East found its way to European cities, such as Porto, having a major trade waterway in the Douro River, and the skill has remained part of Portuguese culture ever since.

The Filigree process, step by step.

Match the following words to each picture (if necessary, use the dictionary)

beating bleaching drawing filling heating moulding twisting welding



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<https://portugalexpo2020dubai.pt/index.php/2021/12/12/filigree-exhibition-shines-light-on-portugals-historic-craftsmanship-2/>
(adapted and abridged)

3) LISTENING COMPREHENSION

Watch the video.

Then listen to it attentively and:

1. Fill in the blanks with the missing information.
2. Answer the question: "Why does Sharon Stone's heart belong to Portugal?"

<https://youtu.be/hVPxtoMjfGQ>

Sharon Stone's Heart belongs to Portugal

Filigree is an ornamental work made of very thin _____ and tinny _____ soldered to form a design. The metal is usually _____ or _____.

The filigree is entirely _____ and demands from goldsmith's the highest degree of _____, _____ and _____.

Sharon Stone was in Portugal in _____ and she _____ with the Viana's hearts.

She _____ a large two faces Viana's hearts and she was wearing it in Hollywood.

Since then, wearing Viana's hearts and filigree _____, _____ or _____ have become _____.

