Test Taker HANDBOOK

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General Information

TOEFL ITP tests are paper based and use 100 percent academic content to evaluate the English language proficiency of nonnative English speakers. All questions are in multiple-choice format, with four possible answers per question. The tests evaluate skills in three areas:

- **Listening Comprehension** measures the ability to understand spoken English as it is used in colleges and universities.
- **Structure and Written Expression** measures recognition of selected structural and grammatical points in standard written English.
- **Reading Comprehension** measures the ability to read and understand academic reading material.

Scores obtained at an institutional administration are reported only to the institution administering the test. Students who need TOEFL scores for admission to universities and colleges where English is the medium of instruction must take the official TOEFL test. TOEFL ITP scores are valid for two years from the test date. Because language proficiency can change considerably in a relatively short period of time, scores more than two years old cannot be reported or verified.

If you need official TOEFL scores for admission to a college or university, register to take the official TOEFL test. Online information is available through the TOEFL

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**Test Structure**

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website (www.ets.org/toefl). Download an Information and Registration Bulletin for the TOEFL testing program by visiting the website at www.ets.org/toefl/ibt/about/bulletin.

Your admission form is inside the back cover of this Handbook. Complete the form according to the directions given. After you have completed the form, put it in a safe place; you will need it when you take the test. Before the test begins, you will copy information from your admission form onto your answer sheet.

Preparing to Take the Test

TOEFL ITP tests are not based on the content of any particular English course but rather on your English language proficiency—your overall ability to use English. Improvement in proficiency may take some time and is generally achieved through a combination of practice and study.

Before the Test

There are several things you can do to prepare for the test and improve your English proficiency:

- Become familiar with the test format and know how to mark your answers on the answer sheet. You can then focus your attention on the test questions themselves. Carefully review the test directions and the sample questions on pages 9–19, and the sample answer sheet.

- Immerse yourself in the language as frequently as possible and in as many ways as possible. Read textbooks or other materials that cover a variety of subject areas (for example, sciences, social sciences, arts, business) and are written in an academic style. Watching movies and television and listening to the radio provide excellent opportunities to build your listening skills.

- TOEFL ITP Practice Tests, Volume 1. Prepare for the TOEFL ITP test with real practice tests from ETS. This book contains two complete TOEFL ITP practice tests, a CD-ROM of the Listening passages, answer keys, scoring information, study tips, and test-taking strategies.

During the Test

- Work quickly and carefully.
- Do not spend too much time on any one question.
- Mark your answers on your answer sheet and not in the test book.
- Mark only one answer for each question. If you mark more than one answer, that question will be counted as wrong—even if one of the answers you marked is correct.
- You will receive credit only for answers marked in the circles on the answer sheet. Your score will be based on the number of questions you answer correctly. There is no penalty for guessing.
- Try to answer every question to the best of your ability.
- Pay close attention to the time during the Reading section of the test. In the Reading section you have to pace yourself, so work quickly and if you do not know the answer to a question, come back to it later.
- You may not take notes during the test.

Completing Your Answer Sheet

When you take the test, you will be given an answer sheet like the one shown on page 8.

Identifying Information

It is important that you fill out this portion of your answer sheet very carefully because the identifying information you provide will be printed exactly the same way on the score record sent to the institution administering the test.

Look at the sample answer sheet on page 8; then read “Part of Tomiko Saito’s Answer Sheet” on page 5. Practice filling out the sample answer sheet according to the instructions given. When you have finished, continue reading the rest of this Handbook.

If you did not write your native country code or native language code on your admission form, turn to page 21 and follow the directions for completing these areas on the admission form. You will not be permitted to use your Handbook when you are completing your answer sheet in the testing room.
In area 1 (NAME), Tomiko Saito printed her name in the boxes just as she did on her admission form. She printed her family name first (SAITO), left a space blank, then printed her first name (TOMIKO), left a space blank, then printed her middle initial. Under each box she filled in the circle corresponding to the letter she placed in that box.

In area 2 (STUDENT NUMBER), she copied from her admission form the student number assigned by her institution and then filled in the corresponding circle beneath each number. (If you are not given a student number, you will leave this area blank.)

In area 3 (DATE OF BIRTH), she copied her birth date from her admission form and then filled in the corresponding circle beneath each number.

In area 4 (NATIVE COUNTRY CODE), she copied the number she wrote on her admission form and then filled in the corresponding circle beneath each number.

In area 5 (NATIVE LANGUAGE CODE), she copied the number she wrote on her admission form and then filled in the corresponding circle beneath each number.

NOW PRACTICE FILLING IN THE SAMPLE ANSWER SHEET ON PAGE 8. BE SURE TO USE YOUR ADMISSION FORM WHEN YOU FILL IN THE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION. Your admission form contains all the information you will need except for areas 6–10. Be sure to take the form to the testing room on the test date.

Responses to Questions. You will mark your answers to the test questions in areas identified as Section 1, Section 2, and Section 3 on the answer sheet. Each row of four circles corresponds to the four answer choices for each question; only one of the answer choices is correct. You will not use all of the answer response spaces.

The marks you make will be read by an electronic scoring machine, and the machine can read only one mark in each row of four circles. The machine-scoring process is subject to frequent, careful quality control checks, including hand scoring a sample of the answer sheets received from each institution. Every effort is made to ensure accurate scoring. However, you are responsible for marking your answer sheet properly. Follow these directions:

- Use a medium-soft (No. 2 or HB) black lead pencil.
- Be careful to mark the space that corresponds to the answer you choose for each question. Also, make sure you mark your answer in the row with the same number as the number of the question you are answering. You will not be permitted to make any corrections after time is called.
- Mark only one answer to each question.
- Completely fill the circle with a heavy, dark mark so you cannot see the letter inside the circle; light or partial marks may not be read properly by the machine.
- Erase any extra marks completely.

The examples below show you the correct way and wrong ways to mark your answer sheet. Be sure to fill in the circles the correct way.

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What to Bring to the Test Center

- **Admission Form.** You must bring your completed admission form. If it is not completed, it may cause you considerable delay. Directions for completing the form are in this Handbook.
- **Identification Document.** You may be required to provide identification (ID) before you take the test. Refer to “Identification” on this page for more information.
- **Pencils and Erasers.** You must bring several sharpened, medium soft (No. 2 or HB), black lead pencils. You may not use a pen, a pencil with colored lead, or a liquid lead pencil to mark your answer sheet. You will also need a good-quality eraser that will completely erase any unintended marks you make on your answer sheet. Pencils and erasers will not be supplied by the test supervisor.

Test Center Procedures and Regulations

The following procedures and regulations apply during the entire test session, which begins when you are admitted to the test center and ends when you leave the test center:

- Dress so that you can adapt to any room temperature.
- Friends or relatives who accompany you to the test center will not be permitted to wait in the test center or be in contact with you while you are taking the test. Except for ETS-authorized observers, visitors are not allowed in the testing room while testing is in progress.
- You must present valid and acceptable identification documents (see “Identification” on this page).
- Other than ID, personal items are not allowed in the testing room. This includes cell phones, PDAs, BlackBerry devices, and any other electronic devices. Before the test, you will receive instructions from test center staff regarding where to store personal items. You will not have access to your personal items during the test.
- Test centers assume no responsibility for test takers’ personal belongings.
- The test center staff will assign you a seat.
- No test taker will be admitted after test materials have been distributed.
- Paper of any kind is not permitted in the testing room.
- There is no scheduled break during the test. You must have the supervisor’s permission to leave the testing room. Any lost time cannot be made up.
- At the conclusion of the test, you will be required to return your test book and answer sheet to the supervisor.

Identification

All test takers are required to present valid and acceptable identification each time they report to a test center. It is your responsibility to ensure that your ID documents are up-to-date and available on the day of the test.

When ID documents are presented, they must be examined carefully by the staff member responsible for admitting the test takers. In addition to checking the name on your ID against your admission form, the staff member will also check your photograph.

ID Document Requirements

Acceptable ID documents vary according to the location of the test administration. However, there are general guidelines. Each ID document must:

- be an original document; photocopied documents are not acceptable
- be valid; expired documents (bearing expiration dates that have passed) are not acceptable
- show the test taker’s full name exactly as it appears on the admission form
- show a recent photograph that clearly matches the test taker
- bear the test taker’s signature

Acceptable Primary ID Documents

The following ID documents are preferred for admission to a test center within the test taker’s country of citizenship:

- Passport with photograph and signature
- Government-issued driver’s license with photograph and signature
- State or province ID card, including those issued by motor vehicle agencies
- National ID card
- Military ID card

Supplemental ID Documents

If your primary ID does not bear your full name, photograph, and signature, or if the supervisor has any concern about the primary ID, you must present a supplemental ID in addition to the primary ID. The following ID documents are generally acceptable as supplemental ID:

- Government-issued ID card, including, but not limited to, those listed under Primary ID Documents

There are exceptions:

- Student ID card
• Confirmation of Identity letter from your educational institution. This letter must be typed or printed on the original letterhead of the educational institution you attend(ed) and, in addition to meeting all of the ID Requirements, must include date of birth and the date issued. Additionally, a school official's signature and the school seal must be present and both must overlap your photograph. Such letters are valid for only one year from the date issued. An official letter presented as an identification document must look like this:

![Identity Letter Example]

**Unacceptable ID Documents**
The following documents are *not* acceptable as primary or supplemental ID under any circumstances:

- Any document that is photocopied or expired
- Any document that does not bear your last name exactly as it appears on the admission form
- International driver's license
- Draft classification card
- International student ID
- Credit/debit card of any kind
- Notary-prepared letter or document
- Birth certificate
- Any temporary ID
- Employee ID
- Diplomatic, consulate or embassy ID

**Dismissal from A Test Center**
A test supervisor is authorized to dismiss you from a test session or your scores may be canceled due to violations such as, but not limited to, the following:

- taking a test book or answer sheet from the testing room
- attempting to take the test for someone else
- giving or receiving assistance during the test
- failing to follow instructions given by the test supervisor
- reading or working on one section of the test during the time allowed for another, or continuing to work after time is called
- making any marks or underlining words in the test book, or making notes in the test book or on the answer sheet
- taking dictionaries, other books, notes, or recording or photographic devices into the testing room
- creating a disturbance or behaving inappropriately
- copying test questions or answers
- cheating in any other way

The TOEFL program will accept any decisions or recommendations made by the test supervisor regarding unacceptable behavior of test takers.
SAMPLE ANSWER SHEET

1. NAME: Print your name as you entered it in the first 21 boxes on your admission form.
   Using one box for each letter, first give your family name (surname), then your first (given) name, and then your middle name. Leave one box blank between names. Then, below each box, use a No. 2 (H.B.) pencil and fill in the circle containing the same letter.

2. STUDENT NUMBER (If assigned) — Start here

3. DATE OF BIRTH
   MO.  DAY  YEAR

4. NATIVE COUNTRY CODE

5. NATIVE LANGUAGE CODE

6. SEX
   MALE  FEMALE

7. PLACE OF TESTING

8. BACKGROUND QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES

9. BACKGROUNDR QUESTINO

10. SIGNATURE AND DATE: Please copy the following statement in the space provided below; use your own handwriting.

   "I hereby affirm that I am the person whose name is given on this answer sheet.

   Also sign your name on the line provided, and enter today’s date (in numbers).

   DATE: MO.  DAY  YEAR

   SIGNED: 

   (WRITE YOUR NAME AS IF SIGNING A BUSINESS LETTER.)

TEST BOOK NUMBER  TEST FORM

Be sure to fill in completely the circle that corresponds to your answer choice.

You may find more answer spaces than you need. If so, leave them blank.

EXAMPLE

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How to Mark Your Answer Sheet

Look at the following example.

The number of judges on the United States Supreme Court is determined by Congress, ____ by the Constitution.

(A) nevertheless
(B) instead
(C) despite
(D) not

The correct sentence should read, “The number of judges on the United States Supreme Court is determined by Congress, not by the Constitution.” Therefore, you should choose answer (D). With your pencil, fill in the space that contains a “D.”

If you wish to change an answer, completely erase your first answer and fill in your new one.
Level 1 Practice Questions

Section 1—Listening Comprehension

This section is designed to measure the ability to understand spoken English. It contains three parts, each administered by audio recording.

Part A

Directions: In Part A, you will hear short conversations between two people. After each conversation, you will hear a question about the conversation. The conversations and questions will not be repeated. After you hear a question, read the four possible answers in your test book and choose the best answer. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter of the answer you have chosen.

Listen to an example.

Sample Answer

On the recording, you will hear: (woman) I don't like this painting very much.

(man) Neither do I.

(narrator) What does the man mean?

In your test book, you will read:

(A) He doesn't like the painting either.

(B) He doesn't know how to paint.

(C) He doesn't have any paintings.

(D) He doesn't know what to do.

You learn from the conversation that neither the man nor the woman likes the painting. The best answer to the question, “What does the man mean?” is (A), “He doesn’t like the painting either.” Therefore, the correct choice is answer (A).

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. You will hear:

   (man) Shall I lock up the computer lab now before I go home?

   (woman) Don't bother. I'm not leaving for a while—I can check it on my way out.

   (narrator) What will the woman probably do?

You will read:

(A) Lock the computer lab later.

(B) Leave with the man.

(C) Buy a new lock for the computer lab.

(D) Show the man where the lab is.

2. You will hear:

   (man) Do you mind if I turn the television off?

   (woman) Well, I'm in the middle of watching a program.

   (narrator) What does the woman imply?

You will read:

(A) The man should watch the program too.

(B) The man should leave the television on.

(C) The program will be over soon.

(D) She'll watch television later.

3. You will hear:

   (woman) I heard the math requirements for graduation are being changed.

   (man) Yes. And I may be short one course.

   (narrator) What does the man mean?

You will read: (A) He isn’t sure what course to take.

(B) The math course is too short.

(C) He may not meet the graduation requirements.

(D) The graduation date has been changed.

Part B

Directions: In this part of the test you will hear longer conversations. After each conversation you will hear several questions. The conversations and questions will not be repeated. After you hear a question, read the four possible answers in your test book and choose the best answer. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter of the answer you have chosen.

Remember, you are not allowed to take notes or write in your test book.

PRACTICE CONVERSATION AND QUESTIONS

(narrator) Questions 4 through 7. Listen to a conversation about a trip.

(Man) Are you ready for “The Big Apple”?

(Woman) Excuse me?

(Man) You know, New York City. You are going to New York with us, aren’t you? I wanted to show everybody around my old neighborhood.

(Woman) Oh…sure! I wouldn’t miss it—especially when the tour guide is a native New Yorker.

(Man) I thought we could start at the Museum of Modern Art. Right now there’s an exhibit on twentieth-century American painters.

(Woman) Fine with me…but what were you saying about…a big apple?

(Man) “The Big Apple.” It’s a nickname for New York. I think I heard once that it started with jazz musicians in the 20s.

(Woman) Oh.

(Man) Whenever they played a concert in a city, they called that city an “apple.” In those days, New York was the biggest city in the country, so they called it “The Big Apple.”

(Woman) Hey, I have an idea! Let’s go to a jazz club while we’re there.

(Man) Sounds good.

Questions:

4. You will hear:

   (narrator) What is the man planning to see?

You will read:

(A) An art exhibit.

(B) A Broadway play.

(C) A modern dance production.

(D) An opera.

5. You will hear:

   (narrator) What can be inferred about the man?

You will read:

(A) He is a jazz musician.

(B) He wants to join the woman’s club.

(C) He is in his twenties.

(D) He was born in New York.
6. You will hear:
   (narrator) What does the word “Apple” in the phrase “The Big Apple” refer to?
You will read:
(A) An instrument.
(B) A city.
(C) A theater.
(D) A concert.

7. You will hear:
   (narrator) Who gave New York its nickname?
You will read:
(A) Painters.
(B) Tour guides.
(C) Musicians.
(D) Grocers.

Part C

Directions: In this part of the test you will hear several talks. After each talk, you will hear some questions. The talks and questions will not be repeated. After you hear a question, read the four possible answers in your test book and choose the best answer. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter of the answer you have chosen.

Here is an example.

On the recording, you will hear:

(narrator) Listen to an instructor talk to his class about a television program.

(man) I'd like to tell you about an interesting TV program that'll be shown this coming Thursday. It'll be on from 9 to 10 pm on Channel 4. It's part of a series called “Mysteries of Human Biology.” The subject of the program is the human brain—how it functions and how it can malfunction. Topics that will be covered are dreams, memory, and depression. These topics are illustrated with outstanding computer animation that makes the explanations easy to follow. Make an effort to see this show. Since we've been studying the nervous system in class, I know you'll find it very helpful.

Now listen to a sample question.

Sample Answer
(narrator) What is the main purpose of the program?

Now in your test book, you will read:
   (A) To demonstrate the latest use of computer graphics.
   (B) To discuss the possibility of an economic depression.
   (C) To explain the workings of the brain.
   (D) To dramatize a famous mystery story.

The best answer to the question, “What is the main purpose of the program?” is (C), “To explain the workings of the brain.” Therefore, the correct choice is (C).

Here is another example.

You will hear:
   (narrator) Why does the speaker recommend watching the program?

In your test book, you will read:
   (A) It is required of all science majors.
   (B) It will never be shown again.
   (C) It can help viewers improve their memory skills.
   (D) It will help with course work.

The best answer to the question, “Why does the speaker recommend watching the program?” is (D), “It will help with course work.” Therefore, the correct choice is (D).

Remember, you are not allowed to take notes or write in your test book.

PRACTICE TALK AND QUESTIONS

(narrator) Questions 8 through 10. Listen to a talk about animal behavior.

(woman) Today's discussion is about a common animal reaction—the yawn. The dictionary defines a yawn as “an involuntary reaction to fatigue or boredom.” That's certainly true for human yawns, but not necessarily for animal yawns. The same action can have quite different meanings in different species.

For example, some animals yawn to intimidate intruders on their territory. Fish and lizards are examples of this. Hippos use yawns when they want to settle a quarrel. Observers have seen two hippo yawn at each other for as long as two hours before they stop quarreling.

As for social animals like baboons or lions—they yawn to establish the pecking order within social groups, and lions often yawn to calm social tensions. Sometimes these animals yawn for a strictly physiological reason—that is, to increase oxygen levels. And curiously enough, when they yawn for a physical reason like that, they do what humans do—they try to stifle the yawn by looking away or by covering their mouths.

Questions:

8. You will hear:
   (narrator) What is the speaker's main point?
You will read:
(A) Animals yawn for a number of reasons.
(B) Yawning results only from fatigue or boredom.
(C) Human yawns are the same as those of other animals.
(D) Only social animals yawn.

9. You will hear:
   (narrator) According to the speaker, when are hippos likely to yawn?
You will read:
(A) When they are swimming.
(B) When they are quarreling.
(C) When they are socializing.
(D) When they are eating.

10. You will hear:
    (narrator) What physiological reason for yawning is mentioned?
You will read:  
(A) To exercise the jaw muscles.  
(B) To eliminate fatigue.  
(C) To get greater strength for attacking.  
(D) To gain more oxygen.

Section 2—Structure and Written Expression

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Structure

Directions: Questions 1–4 are incomplete sentences. Beneath each sentence you will see four words or phrases, marked (A), (B), (C), and (D). Choose the one word or phrase that best completes the sentence. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter of the answer you have chosen.

Look at the following examples.

Example I  
Geysers have often been compared to volcanoes _____ they both emit hot liquids from below the Earth's surface.  
(A) due to  
(B) because  
(C) in spite of  
(D) regardless of

The sentence should read, “Geysers have often been compared to volcanoes because they both emit hot liquids from below the Earth's surface.” Therefore, you should choose answer (B).

Example II  
During the early period of ocean navigation, _____ any need for sophisticated instruments and techniques.  
(A) so that hardly  
(B) where there hardly was  
(C) hardly was  
(D) there was hardly

The sentence should read, “During the early period of ocean navigation, there was hardly any need for sophisticated instruments and techniques.” Therefore, you should choose answer (D).

Now begin work on the questions.

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. Refrigerating meats _____ the spread of bacteria.  
   (A) retards  
   (B) retarding  
   (C) to retard  
   (D) is retarded

2. Throughout the animal kingdom, _____ bigger than the elephant.  
   (A) whale is only the  
   (B) only the whale is  
   (C) is the whale only  
   (D) only whale is the

3. The fact _____ money orders can usually be easily cashed has made them a popular form of payment.  
   (A) of  
   (B) that  
   (C) is that  
   (D) which is

4. The first article of the United States Constitution gives Congress _____ to pass laws.  
   (A) the power  
   (B) has the power  
   (C) the power is  
   (D) of the power

Written Expression

Directions: In questions 5–10, each sentence has four underlined words or phrases. The four underlined parts of the sentence are marked (A), (B), (C), and (D). Identify the one underlined word or phrase that must be changed in order for the sentence to be correct. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter of the answer you have chosen.

Look at the following examples:

Example I  
Guppies are sometimes call rainbow ••••• fish because of the males' bright colors.  
A ••••• B C D

The sentence should read, “Guppies are sometimes called rainbow fish because of the males' bright colors.” Therefore, you should choose answer (A).

Example II  
Serving several term in Congress, Shirley Chisholm became an important ••••• United States politician.  
A B C D

The sentence should read, “Serving several terms in Congress, Shirley Chisholm became an important United States politician.” Therefore, you should choose answer (B).

Now begin work on the questions.
SAMPLE PASSAGE AND QUESTIONS

The railroad was not the first institution to impose regularity on society, or to draw attention to the importance of precise timekeeping. For as long as merchants have set out their wares at daybreak and communal festivities have been celebrated, people have been in rough agreement with their neighbors as to the time of day. The value of this tradition is today more apparent than ever. Were it not for public acceptance of a single yardstick of time, social life would be unbearably chaotic: the massive daily transfers of goods, services, and information would proceed in fits and starts; the very fabric of modern society would begin to unravel.

Example I

What is the main idea of the passage?
(A) In modern society we must make more time for our neighbors.
(B) The traditions of society are timeless.
(C) An accepted way of measuring time is essential for the smooth functioning of society.
(D) Society judges people by the times at which they conduct certain activities.

The main idea of the passage is that societies need to agree about how time is measured in order to function smoothly. Therefore, you should choose answer (C).

Example II

In line 7, the phrase “this tradition” refers to
(A) the practice of starting the business day at dawn
(B) friendly relations between neighbors
(C) the railroad’s reliance on time schedules
(D) people’s agreement on the measurement of time.

The phrase “this tradition” refers to the preceding clause, “people have been in rough agreement with their neighbors as to the time of day.” Therefore, you should choose answer (D).

PRACTICE PASSAGE

The Alaska pipeline starts at the frozen edge of the Arctic Ocean. It stretches southward across the largest and northernmost state in the United States, ending at a remote ice-free seaport village nearly 800 miles from where it begins. It is massive in size and extremely complicated to operate.

The steel pipe crosses windswept plains and endless miles of delicate tundra that tops the frozen ground. It weaves through crooked canyons, climbs sheer mountains, plunges over rocky cliffs, makes its way through thick forests, and passes over or under hundreds of rivers and streams. The pipe is 4 feet in diameter, and up to 2 million barrels (or 84 million gallons) of crude oil can be pumped through it daily.

Resting on H-shaped steel racks called “bents,” long sections of the pipeline follow a zigzag course high above the frozen earth. Other long sections drop out of

Section 3—Reading Comprehension

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Directions: In this section you will read several passages. Each one is followed by a number of questions about it. You are to choose the one best answer, (A), (B), (C), or (D), to each question. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter of the answer you have chosen.

Answer all questions about the information in a passage on the basis of what is stated or implied in that passage.
sight beneath spongy or rocky ground and return to the surface later on. The pattern of the pipeline’s up-and-down route is determined by the often harsh demands of the arctic and subarctic climate, the tortuous lay of the land, and the varied compositions of soil, rock, or permafrost (permanently frozen ground). A little more than half of the pipeline is elevated above the ground. The remainder is buried anywhere from 3 to 12 feet, depending largely upon the type of terrain and the properties of the soil. One of the largest in the world, the pipeline cost approximately $8 billion and is by far the biggest and most expensive construction project ever undertaken by private industry. In fact, no single business could raise that much money, so 8 major oil companies formed a consortium in order to share the costs. Each company controlled oil rights to particular shares of land in the oil fields and paid into the pipeline-construction fund according to the size of its holdings. Today, despite enormous problems of climate, supply shortages, equipment breakdowns, labor disagreements, treacherous terrain, a certain amount of mismanagement, and even theft, the Alaska pipeline has been completed and is operating.

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. The passage primarily discusses the pipeline’s
   (A) operating costs
   (B) employees
   (C) consumers
   (D) construction

2. The word “it” in line 5 refers to
   (A) pipeline
   (B) ocean
   (C) state
   (D) village

3. According to the passage, 84 million gallons of oil can travel through the pipeline each
   (A) day
   (B) week
   (C) month
   (D) year

4. The phrase “Resting on” in line 15 is closest in meaning to
   (A) Consisting of
   (B) Supported by
   (C) Passing under
   (D) Protected with

5. The author mentions all of the following as important in determining the pipeline’s route EXCEPT the
   (A) climate
   (B) lay of the land itself
   (C) local vegetation
   (D) kind of soil and rock

6. The word “undertaken” in line 31 is closest in meaning to
   (A) removed
   (B) selected
   (C) transported
   (D) attempted

7. How many companies shared the costs of constructing the pipeline?
   (A) Three
   (B) Four
   (C) Eight
   (D) Twelve

8. The word “particular” in line 35 is closest in meaning to
   (A) peculiar
   (B) specific
   (C) exceptional
   (D) equal

9. Which of the following determined what percentage of the construction costs each member of the consortium would pay?
   (A) How much oil field land each company owned
   (B) How long each company had owned land in the oil fields
   (C) How many people worked for each company
   (D) How many oil wells were located on the company’s land

10. Where in the passage does the author provide a term for an earth covering that always remains frozen?
    (A) Line 4
    (B) Line 15
    (C) Line 23
    (D) Line 37
Level 2 Practice Questions

Section 1—Listening Comprehension

This section is designed to measure the ability to understand spoken English. It contains three parts, each administered by audio recording.

Part A

In this part, you will hear the speaker on the recording make a short statement. The statement will be spoken just one time. You must then read four sentences, labeled (A), (B), (C), and (D), in the test book and choose the one closest in meaning to the sentence just heard.

Listen to an example.

Sample Answer

On the recording, you will hear:

(narrator) When she read the letter she couldn’t believe her eyes.

In the test book, you will read:

(A) She couldn’t see the letter well enough to read it.
(B) She was amazed by what the letter said.
(C) She was surprised to receive another letter.
(D) She didn’t realize she had read the letter before.

The correct choice is (B).

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. You will hear:
   (narrator) To tell the truth, I’m not much interested in ancient history.
   You will read:
   (A) There’s great interest shown in my ancient history class.
   (B) It’s hard to tell which facts are true in ancient history.
   (C) It isn’t easy to read ancient history texts.
   (D) I really don’t care much for ancient history.

2. You will hear:
   (man) He lacks discipline in his study habits.
   In the test book, you will read:
   (A) His study habits are poor.
   (B) He doesn’t have a good place to study.
   (C) His habit is to study late.
   (D) He was disappointed with his studies.

3. You will hear:
   (narrator) She never wakes up before her alarm goes off.
   You will read:
   (A) She never hears her alarm clock ringing.
   (B) Her alarm clock doesn’t ring when it should.
   (C) She doesn’t know where her alarm clock is.
   (D) She always sleeps until the alarm clock wakes her.

Part B

Directions: In Part B, you will hear short conversations between two people. After each conversation, you will hear a question about the conversation. The conversations and questions will not be repeated. After you hear a question, read the four possible answers in your test book and choose the best answer. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter of the answer you have chosen.

Listen to an example.

Sample Answer

On the recording, you will hear:

(narrator) What does the man say about his job?

In the test book, you will read:

(A) He has trouble getting there sometime.
(B) He isn’t familiar with the work yet.
(C) It makes him feel restricted.
(D) He doesn’t have time to explain it.

The correct choice is (B).

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

4. You will hear:
   (man) Everybody said this astronomy course would be easy.
   (woman) But it hasn’t quite worked out that way, has it?
   (narrator) What does the woman think about the course?
   You will read:
   (A) It’s too long.
   (B) Few people took it.
   (C) It’s unexpectedly difficult.
   (D) There are too many field trips.

5. You will hear:
   (man) Do you think Professor Smith will cancel class on account of the special conference?
   (woman) Not likely.
   (narrator) What does the woman mean?
   You will read:
   (A) She doesn’t like the professor very much.
   (B) She doubts classes will be canceled.
   (C) She doesn’t want to attend the conference.
   (D) She wonders whether the professor is an accountant.

6. You will hear:
   (man) This exam is going to cover a lot of chapters.
   (woman) But it’s mostly a review of the required reading anyway, isn’t it?
   (narrator) What does the woman say about the exam?
   You will read:
   (A) Most of the students have taken it already.
   (B) The students are not ready to take it.
   (C) It won’t cover much new material.
   (D) It isn’t going to cover many chapters.
Part C

Directions: In this part of the test you will hear several talks. After each talk, you will hear some questions. The talks and questions will not be repeated. After you hear a question, read the four possible answers in your test book and choose the best answer. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter of the answer you have chosen.

PRACTICE CONVERSATION AND QUESTIONS

Here is an example.

On the recording, you will hear:

(narrator) Listen to the talk.

(woman) Although I think the United States generally has an excellent system of transportation, I do not think that it does a good job of transporting people between cities that are only a few hundred miles apart. A person commuting between Detroit and Chicago, or between San Francisco and Los Angeles, so-called strip cities, may spend only a relatively short time in the air while spending several hours getting to and from the airport. This situation makes flying almost as time-consuming as driving. Moreover, airplanes use a lot of their fuel just getting into the air. They simply are not fuel-efficient on short trips. High-speed trains may be an answer. One fairly new proposal for such a train is for something called a “maglev,” meaning a magnetically levitated train. Maglevs will not actually ride on the tracks, but will fly above tracks that are magnetically activated. This will save wear and tear on the tracks. These trains will go faster than one hundred fifty miles per hour—at that speed, conventional trains have trouble staying on the tracks. As you can see, maglevs offer exciting possibilities for the future.

Now listen to a sample question:

(narrator) What is the main topic of the talk?

In the test book, you will read:

(A) Energy conservation.
(B) A new kind of transportation.
(C) Strip cities.
(D) Advantages of air transportation over railroads.

The correct choice is (B).

Here is another example. Sample Answer

On the recording, you will hear:

(narrator) How does a maglev operate?

In the test book, you will read:

(A) It uses nuclear energy.
(B) It rests on a cushion of pressurized air.
(C) It flies over magnetically activated tracks.
(D) It uses a device similar to a jet engine.

The correct choice is (C).

PRACTICE DIALOGUE AND QUESTIONS

(narrator) Listen to a conversation about finding a new apartment.

(man) Hey, I heard you’re looking for a different apartment.

(woman) Yeah, the place I’m in now is a real dump.

(man) It looked okay when I was there.

(woman) Oh, the boiler keeps breaking and when it does, we lose the heat for several days at a time.

(man) Why doesn’t the owner replace it?

(woman) Well, she says it’s cheaper to keep fixing it. She’s a nice enough person; just sort of stingy. In any case, I’m sick of being cold.

(man) Can you get your deposit back if you move?

(woman) If I give two months notice, I can get the whole thing back.

(man) So, what kind of place are you looking for?

(woman) I think I’ll try to get into one of those high rises near the university. They’re nothing really special, but at least they’re new and functional.

(man) I’ve heard that those buildings are pretty noisy. The walls are thin and you can hear everything going on in the other apartments.

(woman) Aren’t they awfully expensive?

(man) Not really. You’d be surprised at how reasonable some of them are. The problem with being out there is that the bus doesn’t run out that way.

(woman) That’d definitely be a problem. I can’t afford a car right now. I guess I’d better check a few places here in the city before I make a decision.

The correct choice is (A).
7. You will hear:  
(narrator) What is wrong with the woman’s current apartment?  
You will read:  
(A) It’s too noisy.  
(B) It’s not convenient to the university.  
(C) The heating system is defective.  
(D) The owner is unpleasant.

8. You will hear:  
(narrator) What must the woman do to have her deposit returned?  
You will read:  
(A) Tell the owner two months in advance that she’s moving.  
(B) Alert the housing authorities to her problem.  
(C) Move to another apartment in the same building.  
(D) Leave by the end of the month.

9. You will hear:  
(narrator) What does the woman require of her next apartment?  
You will read:  
(A) It must be on a higher floor.  
(B) It must have quiet surroundings.  
(C) It must be within driving distance of the university.  
(D) It must be in a new building.

10. You will hear:  
(narrator) Why might living in Windsor be a problem for the woman?  
You will read:  
(A) Rent would be very expensive.  
(B) Public transportation wouldn’t be available.  
(C) Apartment complexes in Windsor are old.  
(D) Apartments in Windsor tend to be noisy.

Section 2—Structure and Written Expression

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Structure

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Look at the following example:  
Mt. Hood ______ in the state of Oregon.  
(A) although  
(B) and  
(C) is  
(D) which  
The correct choice is (C).

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

1. ______ most important event in San Francisco’s history was the disastrous earthquake and fire of 1906.  
(A) The  
(B) It was the  
(C) That the  
(D) There was a

2. Vegetables are an excellent source ______ vitamins.  
(A) of  
(B) has  
(C) where  
(D) that

3. Microscopes make small things appear larger than ______ .  
(A) really are  
(B) are really  
(C) are they really  
(D) they really are

4. The city of Montreal ______ over 70 square miles.  
(A) covers  
(B) that covers  
(C) covering  
(D) is covered

5. Janet Collins’s struggle to make a place for herself in ballet is the kind of a life story ______ a fascinating novel might be written.  
(A) of  
(B) by  
(C) for whom  
(D) about which

Written Expression

Directions: In questions 6–10, each sentence has four underlined words or phrases. The four underlined parts of the sentence are marked (A), (B), (C), or (D). Identify the one underlined word or phrase that must be changed in order for the sentence to be correct. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter of the answer you have chosen.

Look at the following example.  
Fewest than half of all the adults fully understand the kinds and amounts of exercise necessary for an effective physical fitness program.  
The correct answer is (A).
PRACTICE QUESTIONS

6. How many people know that the Brooklyn Bridge, built in 1883, were the world’s first suspension bridge?
   A B C D

7. Anna Maxwell’s gift for organization was exemplified by her service while the Spanish-American War in 1898.
   A B C D

8. When a severe ankle injury forced herself to give up reporting in 1926, Margaret Mitchell began writing her novel, *Gone with the Wind*.
   A B C D

9. Anne Elizabeth McDowell is best remembered for a weekly journal, *Woman’s Advocate*, who she launched in January 1855.
   A B C D

10. A ray of light passing through the center of a thin lens keep its original direction.
    A B C D

Section 3—Vocabulary and Reading Comprehension

Vocabulary

**Directions:** Each sentence has an underlined word or phrase. Below each sentence are four other words or phrases marked (A), (B), (C), and (D). You are to choose the one word or phrase that best keeps the meaning of the original sentence if it is substituted for the underlined word or phrase. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and fill in the space that corresponds to the letter you have chosen.

**Look at the following example.**

It is difficult to get young people to plan for their old age, which seems very distant to them.

   (A) impossible  (B) faraway  (C) observable  (D) fearful

The correct choice is (B).

Sample Answer

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SAMPLE PASSAGE AND QUESTIONS

A new atomic clock being developed for navigation satellites will perform better than previous devices. The clock, which incorporates a hydrogen maser, will use a new microwave cavity design to provide a compact and lightweight package, and new electronic techniques to maintain long-term stability. The clock can provide precise navigation information because it is stable to one second in three million years. The differences in the time when signals from four satellites arrive at one location can be used to calculate that position to within a few yards.

Look at the following example. Sample Answer

From the passage, it can be inferred that which of the following characteristics of the clock mentioned will be most impressive?

(A) Its compact size
(B) Its weight
(C) Its accuracy
(D) Its ability to measure distance

The correct choice is (C).

6. It can be inferred from the passage that the new clock will be
(A) long-lasting
(B) harmful to humans
(C) produced in great numbers
(D) very attractive looking

7. According to the passage, signals from how many satellites will be used to calculate a position?
(A) 1
(B) 2
(C) 3
(D) 4

8. What is the primary purpose of the passage?
(A) To teach a lesson
(B) To sell a product
(C) To support a theory
(D) To provide information
Score Report

The institution where you take the test will receive your scores on a list containing the names and scores of everyone who tested at the institution at the same time you did. The institution will also receive a copy of each test taker’s score report and is responsible for giving you your personal copy of your score report.

An ITP score is measurement information and its release is subject to all restrictions indicated in this Handbook. However, the score is not the property of the test taker.

Test Taker Requests for Cancellation of Scores

If you wish to cancel your scores, you must tell the test supervisor immediately after you take the test; it is impossible to request score cancellation any other way or at a later time. If you make such a request, your scores will not be reported.

Score Cancellation by the Test Supervisor

The test supervisor reserves the right to request that ETS not score a test taker’s answer sheet if the test taker did not follow instructions or if the supervisor suspects that the test taker cheated. No scores will be reported for the test taker.

Score Cancellation by ETS

Following the test administration, ETS reserves the right to cancel scores if there is any reason to question their validity. No scores will be reported for those test takers.

Understanding Your Scores

The information in this section will help you understand your scores when you receive them. For this reason, you should keep this Handbook and refer to it when you get your scores. You will receive no other information about interpreting your scores.

How Your Scores Are Reported

Test scores include three section scores and a total score. Each correct answer counts equally toward the score for that section. There is no penalty for wrong answers. The total number of correct answers is called the “raw score.”

NOTE: Some of the questions in the test may not count toward the section or total scores.

The raw score for each section is converted by statistical means to a number on a scale. ITP section scores are reported as scaled scores that range from 31 to 68; total scores are reported on a scale from 310 to 677. Because the Level 2 test contains less difficult questions than the Level 1 test, and because it is shorter, it provides effective measurement in the 20-50 score range for each section and in the 200-500 score range for the total score. For Level 2, 50 and 500 are the maximum obtainable scores. The scaled scores are the ones that appear on score reports.

The scaled score for each section is simply an indication of the test taker’s performance on that section. It is neither the number nor the percentage of questions answered correctly.

The process used to convert your raw scores to scaled scores is called “score equating.” Score equating ensures that test scores are equal for persons of equal proficiency regardless of the difficulty level of the particular test taken. Scaled scores are equated by methods based on item response theory.

To obtain the total score, add the scaled scores for each section and multiply by ten thirds. The example shows how the three scaled section scores are used to obtain the total score.

Test scores cannot be perfectly precise. A person’s score can vary just by chance from one test administration to another, even when there is no change in the person’s true proficiency. The standard error of measurement is the index that describes the degree of precision in a measurement. In the case of the ITP tests, the standard error of measurement of the total score is approximately 14 scaled score points. This means that if a test taker’s “true” proficiency score—the score the person would earn if the test could measure his or her ability with perfect precision—is, for example, 500, the chances are about two out of three that the person’s observed score will be somewhere between 546 and 574 (560 plus or minus 14).

Scores Obtained on Different Editions of the Test

Although every effort is made to keep the level of difficulty of each edition of the test the same, slight differences in difficulty do occur. However, the method of scoring the test takes even these minor differences into account. As an example, a total score of 500 on one edition of the test represents the same level of English-language proficiency—as measured by the test—as a score of 500 on another edition.

Acceptable Scores

Each institution determines for itself what scores, or ranges of scores, are acceptable. These vary from institution to institution, depending on such factors as field of study and level of study. In general, a total score of 600 or above is considered excellent and a score below 400 inadequate. However, an acceptable score depends entirely on the requirements of the institution. There is no specific passing or failing score set by ETS for the TOEFL ITP tests.

If you have questions about how your scores have been interpreted, contact the institution that administered the test.
How to Complete Your Admission Form

Remove the admission form (inside back cover) from this Handbook, then fill out the form according to the following instructions.

A. If the institution assigns you a student number, enter the number in the boxes in the top left-hand corner of the form.

B. Print the location of the testing room, the test date, and the time of the test in the appropriate spaces. Also check the box for the test you will take. (Someone at the institution may already have entered this information.)

C. In the area marked NAME, print or type your name. Using one box for each letter, first print your family name (surname). Leave one box blank, and then print your first name. Leave the next box blank, and then print as many letters of your middle name as you have room for.

D. In the area labeled BIRTH DATE, put a number in each box. If you were born before October or before the tenth day of the month, be sure to write a zero. As an example, if your birth date were September 4, 1985, your completed boxes would look like this:

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F. In the area marked NATIVE LANGUAGE CODE, look for your native language in the list on page 24. Copy the code number that is next to your native language. Remember that there are many languages spoken in the world, and not all of them are included in the list. If your language is not in the list, enter 999 in the boxes.

G. Complete the examination record form portion of the admission form. DO NOT DETACH IT. This portion of the admission form will be detached by the person admitting you to the testing room. You must provide all the information requested, and you must sign your name on the signature line. The examination record form will not be returned to you; it will become the institution's record of your signature and address as of the day you are tested.

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