

## Sample Questions

With 200 questions, the TOEIC test measures a wide range of English proficiency. The following sample questions do not indicate the full range of difficulties you would find in an actual TOEIC test.

### GENERAL DIRECTIONS

*The following general directions are taken directly from the test book. After the general directions are specific directions for each part of the test, along with sample questions for each of the parts.*

This is a test of your ability to use the English language. The total time for the test is approximately two hours. It is divided into seven parts. Each part of the test begins with a set of specific directions. Be sure you understand what you are to do before you begin work on a part.

You will find that some of the questions are harder than others, but you should try to answer each question to the best of your ability. Your score will be based on the number of questions you answer correctly.

Do not mark your answers in this test book. **You must put all of your answers on the separate answer sheet** that you have been given. When putting your answer to a question on your answer sheet, be sure to fill in the answer space corresponding to the letter of your choice. Fill in the space so that the letter inside the circle cannot be seen, as shown in the example on the following page.

**EXAMPLE**

Mr. Jones ----- to his accountant yesterday.

- (A) talk
- (B) talking
- (C) talked
- (D) to talk

Sample Answer

- (A) (B) ● (D)

The sentence should read, "Mr. Jones talked to his accountant yesterday." Therefore, you should choose answer (C). Notice how this has been done in the example above.

Mark only **one** answer for each question. If you change your mind about an answer after you have marked it on your answer sheet, completely erase your old answer and then mark your new answer. You must mark the answer sheet carefully so that the test-scoring machine can accurately record your test score.

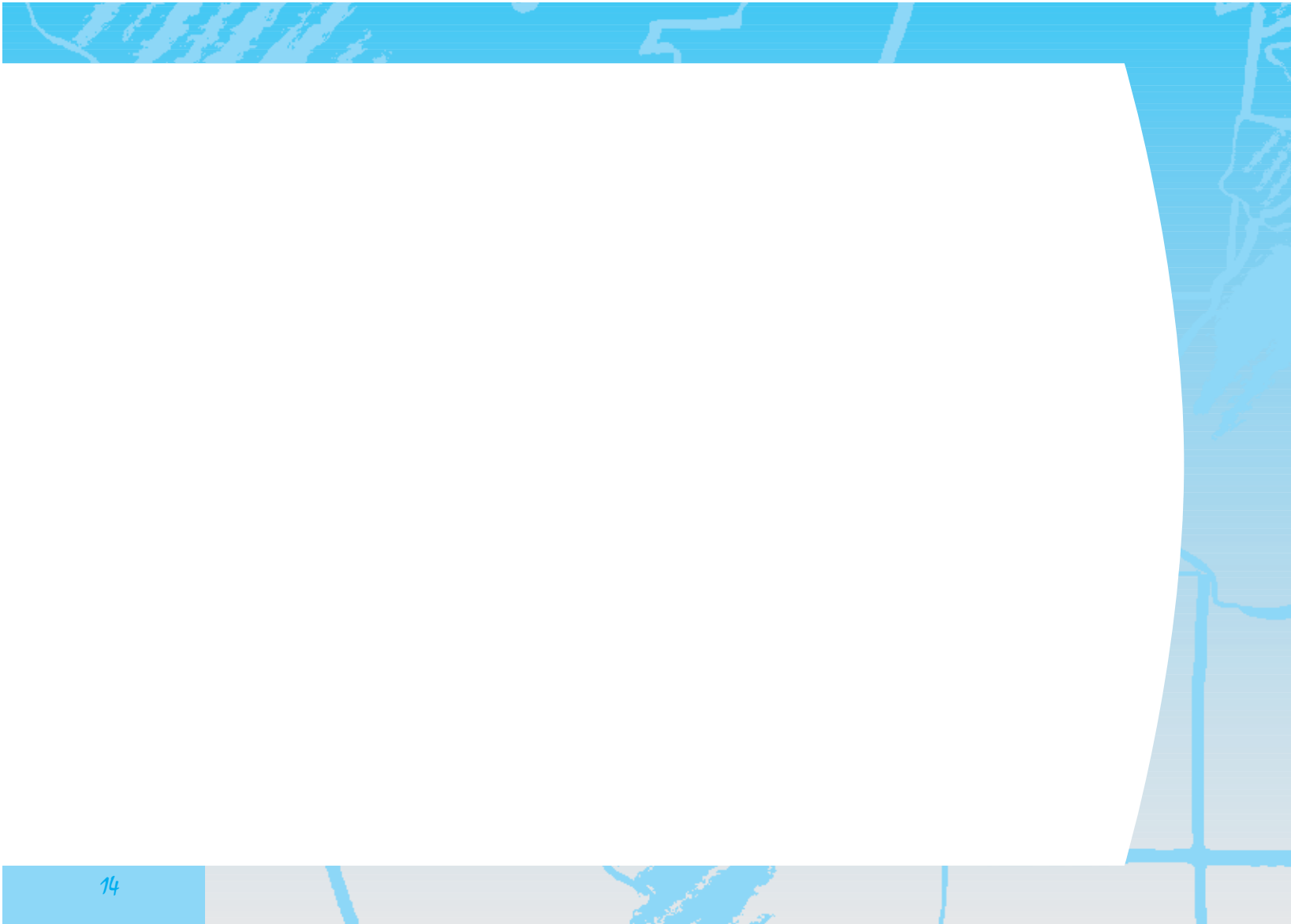
## Section 1: Listening Comprehension

In this section of the test, you will have the chance to show how well you understand spoken English. There are four parts to this section, with special directions for each part.

### PART I: PHOTOGRAPHS

**Directions:** For each question, you will see a picture in your test book and you will hear four short statements. The statements will be spoken just one time. They will not be printed in your test book, so you must listen carefully to understand what the speaker says.

When you hear the four statements, look at the picture in your test book and choose the statement that best describes what you see in the picture. Then, on your answer sheet find the number of the question and mark your answer. Look at the sample on the next page.



**SAMPLE QUESTIONS****Question 1**

*You will see:*

1.



*You will hear:*

1. Look at the picture marked number 1 in your test book.
  - (A) She's speaking into a microphone.
  - (B) She's put on her glasses.
  - (C) She has both eyes open.
  - (D) She's using a microscope.

**Question 2**

*You will see:*

2.



*You will hear:*

2. Look at the picture marked number 2 in your test book.

- (A) The tables are being moved around.
- (B) The waiters are wearing jackets.
- (C) All the chairs are occupied.
- (D) The two men are waiting to be seated.

**PART II: QUESTION-RESPONSE**

**Directions:** In this part of the test, you will hear a question or statement spoken in English, followed by three responses, also spoken in English. The question or statement and the responses will be spoken just one time. They will not be printed in your test book, so you must listen carefully to understand what the speakers say. You are to choose the best response to each question or statement.

**Example**

Now listen to a sample question.

Sample Answer



*You will hear:* Good morning, John. How are you?

*You will also hear:*

- (A) I am fine, thank you.
- (B) I am in the living room.
- (C) My name is John.

The best response to the question "How are you?" is choice (A), "I am fine, thank you." Therefore, you should choose answer (A).

**SAMPLE QUESTIONS****Question 1**

*You will hear:*

1. Ms. Morikawa has worked here for a long time, hasn't she?
  - (A) At three o'clock.
  - (B) No, I've lost my watch.
  - (C) More than ten years.

**Question 2**

*You will hear:*

2. Which of these papers has a wider circulation?
  - (A) The morning edition.
  - (B) Get more exercise.
  - (C) By messenger.

**Question 3**

*You will hear:*

3. Have you been to Paris before?
- (A) No, they don't have it.
  - (B) Only once, about five years ago.
  - (C) Yes, there are four of them.

**Question 4**

*You will hear:*

4. Why don't we get something to eat after the meeting?
- (A) Because we are early.
  - (B) No, we don't.
  - (C) That's a good idea.

**Question 5**

*You will hear:*

5. Has Mr. García given you an assignment, or can you help me for a while?
- (A) I'm free all morning.
  - (B) Mr. García's present was very nice.
  - (C) Yes, you can.

**PART III: SHORT CONVERSATIONS**

**Directions:** In this part of the test, you will hear short conversations between two people. The conversations will not be printed in your test book. You will hear the conversations only once, so you must listen carefully to understand what the speakers say.

In your test book, you will read a question about each conversation. The question will be followed by four answers. You are to choose the best answer to each question and mark it on your answer sheet.

**SAMPLE QUESTIONS****Question 1**

- You will hear:*
- (Man) We should think about finding another restaurant for lunch.  
(Woman) Why? The food and service here are great.  
(Man) Yes, but the prices are going up every week.

- You will read:*
- Why is this man unhappy with the restaurant?  
(A) It is too noisy.  
(B) It is too expensive.  
(C) It is too crowded  
(D) It is too difficult to find.



**Question 2**

*You will hear:*

2. (Woman A) How was Dr. Borg's recent trip to Singapore?  
(Woman B) She enjoyed the tour of the port very much.  
(Woman A) They say it's one of the most active in Asia.

*You will read:*

2. What did Dr. Borg find interesting?
- (A) The tourist center.  
(B) The airport.  
(C) The musical performance.  
(D) The harbor.

**Question 3**

*You will hear:*

3. (Man A) We'll need to resurface this whole stretch.  
(Man B) Is that really necessary? We did this section last year.  
(Man A) I know. The heavy traffic in this area has ruined it in no time at all.

*You will read:*

3. Who are the speakers?
- (A) Police officers.  
(B) Physical therapists.  
(C) Road engineers.  
(D) Certified accountants.

**Question 4**

- You will hear:*
4. (Woman) Your monthly payment is several weeks overdue.  
(Man) I thought I had paid a month in advance. Perhaps it was delivered to the wrong address.  
(Woman) You'd better check your records again.

- You will read:*
4. What is the man's problem?
- (A) His records are lost.  
(B) His payment is late.  
(C) He forgot his calendar.  
(D) He went to the wrong address.

**Question 5**

- You will hear:*
5. (Man) I see you've enlarged the Wakefield factory.  
(Woman) Yes, starting this fiscal year we'll be able to produce 800 cars a month.  
(Man) I imagine you'll be hiring more people, right?

- You will read:*
5. What are they discussing?
- (A) New car models.  
(B) Staff reductions.  
(C) Plant capacity.  
(D) Architectural designs.

**PART IV: SHORT TALKS**

**Directions:** In this part of the test, you will hear several short talks. Each will be spoken just one time. They will not be printed in your test book, so you must listen carefully to understand and remember what is said.

In your test book, you will read two or more questions about each short talk. The questions will be followed by four answers. You are to choose the best answer to each question and mark it on your answer sheet.

**SAMPLE QUESTIONS**

*You will hear:* **Questions 1 and 2** refer to the following announcement.

Good afternoon and welcome aboard Nordair Flight 857 from Copenhagen to Bangkok, with intermediate stops in Dubai and Calcutta. We are preparing for departure in a few minutes. At this time your seat back should be returned to its full upright position and your seat belt should be fastened. Our anticipated total flying time to Dubai is six hours and twenty-five minutes. I hope you enjoy the flight.

*You will hear:* Now read question 1 in your test book and answer it.

- You will read:*
1. What is the final destination of the flight?  
(A) Bangkok.  
(B) Copenhagen.  
(C) Dubai.  
(D) Calcutta.

*You will hear:* Now read question 2 in your test book and answer it.

- You will read:*
2. What will happen in a few minutes?  
(A) The flight will land in Dubai.  
(B) The passengers will board the plane.  
(C) The plane will take off.  
(D) The gate number will be announced.

*You will hear:* **Questions 3 through 5** refer to the following talk.

Ladies and Gentlemen: It gives me great pleasure to introduce Masami Suzuki, senior vice president and a member of the board of directors. Prior to joining our firm, our speaker was an award-winning professor of economics for more than a decade. Dr. Suzuki spent several years at our branch offices in Madrid and Zurich and will talk to us today about contemporary patterns in foreign trade. Please join me in giving a big welcome to Masami Suzuki.

*You will hear:* Now read question 3 in your test book and answer it.

*You will read:* 3. What is the purpose of the talk?

- (A) To nominate someone to the board of directors.
- (B) To introduce a guest speaker.
- (C) To report on a research study about university education.
- (D) To announce a sales award.

*You will hear:* Now read question 4 in your test book and answer it.

*You will read:* 4. What is Dr. Suzuki's present position?

- (A) Chief executive officer.
- (B) Branch manager.
- (C) Professor of economics.
- (D) Senior vice president.

*You will hear:* Now read question 5 in your test book and answer it.

*You will read:* 5. What is Dr. Suzuki's topic?

- (A) Establishing a branch office.
- (B) The economy of Spain.
- (C) Current international trade trends.
- (D) Life in Switzerland.

## Section 2: Reading

In this section of the test you will have the chance to show how well you understand written English. There are three parts to this section, with special directions for each part.

### PART V: INCOMPLETE SENTENCES

**Directions:** This part of the test has incomplete sentences. Four words or phrases, marked (A), (B), (C), (D), are given beneath each sentence. You are to choose the **one** word or phrase that best completes the sentence. Then, on your answer sheet, find the number of the question and mark your answer.

#### EXAMPLE

Because the equipment is very delicate,  
it must be handled with -----.

- (A) caring
- (B) careful
- (C) care
- (D) carefully

Sample Answer

- (A) (B) ● (D)

The sentence should read, "Because the equipment is very delicate, it must be handled with care." Therefore, you should choose answer (C).

**SAMPLE QUESTIONS**

1. Mr. Yang's trip will ----- him away from the office for ten days.  
(A) withdraw  
(B) continue  
(C) retain  
(D) keep
  
2. The company that Marie DuBois started now sells ----- products throughout the world.  
(A) its  
(B) it  
(C) theirs  
(D) them
  
3. If your shipment is not delivered ----- Tuesday, you can request a full refund for the merchandise.  
(A) at  
(B) by  
(C) within  
(D) while
  
4. The hotel breakfast ----- fresh fruit juice and a choice of pastries.  
(A) includes  
(B) to include  
(C) including  
(D) was included
  
5. We regret to announce the ----- of the training session scheduled for April 21.  
(A) denial  
(B) incapability  
(C) postponement  
(D) dismissal



**PART VII: READING COMPREHENSION**

**Directions:** The questions in this part of the test are based on a selection of reading materials, such as notices, letters, forms, newspaper and magazine articles, and advertisements. 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 mark your answer. Answer all questions following each reading selection on the basis of what is **stated** or **implied** in that selection.

**EXAMPLE**

The Museum of Technology is a “hands-on” museum, designed for people to experience science at work. Visitors are encouraged to use, test, and handle the objects on display. Special demonstrations are scheduled for the first and second Wednesdays of each month at 13:30. Open Tuesday–Friday 12:00–16:30, Saturday 10:00–17:30, and Sunday 11:00–16:30.

When during the month can visitors see special demonstrations?

- (A) Every weekend.
- (B) The first two Wednesdays.
- (C) One afternoon a week.
- (D) Every other Wednesday.

Sample Answer



The reading selections says that the demonstrations are scheduled for the first and second Wednesdays of the month. Therefore, you should choose answer (B).



## SAMPLE QUESTIONS

Questions 1-2 refer to the following card.



1. When did the guest receive this card?
  - (A) When making a room reservation
  - (B) When checking into the hotel
  - (C) When ordering a meal at a restaurant
  - (D) When paying the bill
2. Who issued this card to the guest?
  - (A) P. Angelo
  - (B) Ms. Martelli
  - (C) The hotel manager
  - (D) The restaurant cashier

Questions 3-5 refer to the following notice.

**NOTICE**

If you are unable to work because of an extended illness or injury that is not work-related, you may be entitled to receive weekly benefits from your employer or the firm's insurance company.

To claim benefits, you must file a claim form within thirty days of the first day of your disability.

Before filing the claim, you must ask your doctor to fill in the "Doctor's Statement" on the claim form, stating the period of disability.

3. To whom is this notice addressed?
- (A) Employers
  - (B) Doctors
  - (C) Employees
  - (D) When paying the bill
4. When must the claim form be filed?
- (A) On the first of the month
  - (B) On the thirtieth of the month
  - (C) On the first day of disability
  - (D) Within 30 days of the start of disability

5. What must be done before the claim can be submitted?
- (A) The employee's company must be notified.
  - (B) The form must be duplicated.
  - (C) The Ministry of Social Welfare must be contacted.
  - (D) The "Doctor's Statement" must be completed.

**ANSWER KEY**

Part I	Part II	Part III	Part IV	Part V	Part VI	Part VII
1. D	1. C	1. B	1. A	1. D	1. C	1. B
2. B	2. A	2. D	2. C	2. A	2. B	2. A
	3. B	3. C	3. B	3. B	3. C	3. C
	4. C	4. B	4. D	4. A	4. C	4. D
	5. A	5. C	5. C	5. C	5. A	5. D