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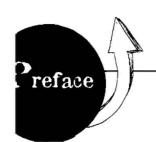
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TOEIC is an English language test taken by non-native speakers who want to use English in their international workplace. It also allows employers to make hiring decisions, promotions, or transfers depending on job seekers' qualifications and English proficiency. In Vietnam, TOEIC has recently been used as a tool to measure students' level of competence in English before graduation from university.

In actual fact, TOEIC is not the kind of general English you have so far been familiar with. Most TOEIC-related materials have special features in terms of their question format and business-oriented settings. You should, therefore, familiarize yourself with the format of the TOEIC test and some basic tactics to be able to achieve your goal.

Smart TOEIC, which is comprised of Smart TOEIC Listening and Smart TOEIC Reading, has been written for pre-intermediate learners whose ultimate aim is to take the TOEIC test, so presumably it will meet your expectations.

As far as Smart TOEIC Listening is concerned, all the lessons have been arranged on the four parts of the TOEIC Listening test. Especially, the most common questions coupled with essentially useful vocabulary and structures are presented in detail. In addition, you will find a great number of dictation exercises whose aim is to help you not only consolidate the previous listening materials but learn new words and structures in context as well. Finally, a wide range of practice activities which correspond to the format of the actual TOEIC Listening test will certainly provide you with fundamental input in your coming test. As for Smart TOEIC Reading, basic grammar points presented in the fifteen clear and concise lessons will certainly provide you with essential knowledge of English grammar. Last but not least, all the following practice tests that are typical of Parts 5, 6, and 7 of the TOEIC Reading test are, undoubtedly, a valuable resource to facilitate your actual test.

This book can be used in class with the assistance of an instructor or for self-study.

Hopefully, Smart TOEIC will be a companion on your path to your own expected goal and forthcoming workplace success.

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Photograph Descriptions

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Part 1 Photograph Descriptions



Format

Part 1 of the TOEIC Listening test consists of ten photographs that are printed in your test book. These photographs are pictures of ordinary situations, and over 60% of the questions in this part involve photographs of one or more than one person. The remaining questions involve photographs of objects/scenes without people and photographs of both people and objects/scenes. Each of these types accounts for about 15-20% of the questions in this part.

Question Description

- The details of photographs are frequently asked about.
- A wide range of nouns and verb forms are used for photograph descriptions.
- The subjects in the answer choices are varied, and the state, action, location, or appearance of the people or the state of the objects/scenes in the photographs is usually the focus of questions.

Tactics

• Preview each photograph and think of possible descriptions.

You should make use of the short period of time before the recording is played to preview all of the photographs and think of possible descriptions for choosing the correct statements.

• Look at each photograph and listen to the four statements carefully.

You cannot just predict a certain answer and immediately choose it. You should wait and listen to all four statements for a test item and have to choose the best answer for the photograph.

8 Pay close attention to the statements that use appropriate tenses.

The present continuous tense is mostly used to describe the action of people, while the present simple tense and present perfect tense are usually used to describe the state of objects or scenes. You may, therefore, leave out the statements of other tenses, such as the future or past tenses.

4 Leave out obviously incorrect answers.

You should immediately eliminate incorrect answers, which are the statements about the people or objects that do not exist in the photograph or the statements that incorrectly describe the action or state in the photograph.

6 Be cautious about statements mentioning colors.

All photographs given in Part 1 are black and white ones. You, hence, promptly eliminate statements mentioning other colors.

6 Identify similar-sounding words.

Generally, a statement with a sound-alike word is not the correct answer. You should listen attentively to identify these similar-sounding words.