

READING TEST

In the Reading test, you will read a variety of texts and answer several different types of reading comprehension questions. The entire Reading test will last 75 minutes. There are three parts, and directions are given for each part. You are encouraged to answer as many questions as possible within the time allowed.

You must mark your answers on the separate answer sheet. Do not write your answers in your test book.

PART 5

Directions: A word or phrase is missing in each of the sentences below. Four answer choices are given below each sentence. Select the best answer to complete the sentence. Then mark the letter (A), (B), (C), or (D) on your answer sheet.

101. Providing excellent support to customers is ----- with Woshett's online chat platform.

(A) simply
(B) simple
(C) simplify
(D) simplifying

102. With its affordability and straightforward design, the Cruiser 10 sewing machine is a great choice for ----- sewers.

(A) durable
(B) wealthy
(C) casual
(D) fresh

103. Meese, Inc. expects sales of its hair care products to improve when it ----- their prices next month.

(A) will lower
(B) lowers
(C) had lowered
(D) is lowered

104. The candidate said it was the prospect of frequent international travel that caused him to ----- the promotion to manager.

(A) retreat
(B) withhold
(C) enroll
(D) decline

105. While it represented a personal record, Ms. Polk's score was not high ----- to qualify her for the national competition.

(A) anyway
(B) enough
(C) much
(D) up

106. All of the department's fall courses will take place as initially scheduled ----- "Ethics in Nursing", which has been moved to Tuesday evenings.

(A) except
(B) on
(C) for
(D) during

107. Mr. Wellington has requested a hotel adjacent to the conference center for ----- and two coworkers.

(A) he
(B) his own
(C) himself
(D) his

108. Because of the office's open floor plan, employees must use unoccupied meeting rooms to hold ----- phone conversations.

(A) privately
(B) privacy
(C) private
(D) privatized

109. In order to maintain your wooden furniture, Hilge Home recommends ----- rubbing coconut oil into its surface.

(A) carelessly
(B) occasionally
(C) unexpectedly
(D) recently

110. The studio reluctantly allowed the director to cast Mel Frazier, ----- is better known for his television work, as the star of her film.

(A) someone
(B) whoever
(C) who
(D) that

111. Company regulations state that shift supervisors have the ----- to assign tasks to employees.

(A) amenity
(B) adjustment
(C) intention
(D) authority

112. Apontle's poorly designed mobile app requires users to ----- enter their log-in information each time they open it.

(A) repeatedly
(B) repetition
(C) repetitive
(D) repeat

113. Many participants in Pittman Group's survey of urban consumers preferred name-brand products ----- generic ones.

(A) just as
(B) down to
(C) over
(D) toward

114. After several years of operating under restricted budgets, we have become accustomed to ----- unnecessary expenses.

(A) avoid
(B) avoided
(C) avoidance
(D) avoiding

115. Because of rumors that it has security issues, passengers are ----- to use the metro system's payment card.

(A) critical
(B) sensitive
(C) unsuitable
(D) hesitant

116. Mr. Bailey's latest book offers readers interested in real estate investment practical ----- on entering the field.

(A) guide
(B) guidance
(C) guidable
(D) guiding

117. Corporate policies must be easy for staff to understand and ----- enforced by management.

(A) consistently
(B) relatively
(C) shortly
(D) supposedly

118. ----- her session drew almost 30 people, Ms. Sato endeavored to speak individually with each at least once.

(A) Nevertheless
(B) Although
(C) Prior to
(D) Apart from

119. Building ample bike parking facilities is just one of the ----- Stounville has taken to promote cycling among the public.

(A) indicators
(B) objectives
(C) measures
(D) terms

120. Members of the Osborne Opera Supporters Club receive ----- access to discounts on tickets and merchandise.

(A) exclusive
(B) excludes
(C) exclude
(D) exclusively

121. Ever since we began advertising in *Enterprising Now*, business travelers ----- our hotel in large numbers.

(A) visited
(B) were visiting
(C) would have visited
(D) have been visiting

122. Ms. Philips has built a strong relationship with her team at the Beijing branch ----- their cultural differences.

(A) on behalf of
(B) in addition to
(C) notwithstanding
(D) in exchange for

123. The ----- of workshops to a full day will enable each one to cover significantly more information.

(A) lengthening
(B) lengthiest
(C) lengthen
(D) length

124. Choosing to specialize in wedding planning may ----- to be one of the best decisions Vohan Events has made.

(A) unite
(B) prove
(C) envision
(D) strive

125. ----- Zinte Apparel decides not to have us run its marketing campaign, this quarter is still on track to be one of our most successful ever.

(A) Upon
(B) As soon as
(C) In order that
(D) Even if

126. It is actually easier to reach Caswell Waterfall by Summers Road than by the ----- traveled Highway 24.

(A) more frequent
(B) most frequent
(C) most frequently
(D) more frequently

127. Patrons of Mason Café are ----- to connect to our wireless Internet service using the password on their receipt.

(A) possible
(B) welcome
(C) suggested
(D) beneficial

128. Consultants have recommended that the store's loyalty program ----- to offer more immediate and tangible rewards.

(A) be redesigned
(B) was to redesign
(C) was redesigned
(D) will be redesigning

129. The electronic time tracking system notifies supervisors when workers are ----- reach their weekly limit of working hours.

(A) nearly
(B) close to
(C) about to
(D) within

130. Frigigo's refrigerated trucks ensure that food items do not undergo dangerous ----- in temperature during delivery.

(A) fluctuations
(B) boundaries
(C) sensations
(D) standards

PART 6

Directions: Read the texts that follow. A word, phrase, or sentence is missing in parts of each text. Four answer choices for each question are given below the text. Select the best answer to complete the text. Then mark the letter (A), (B), (C), or (D) on your answer sheet.

Questions 131-134 refer to the following e-mail.

From: <accounts@final-tally.com>

To: Tonya Bell

Subject: End of Free Trial

Date: February 7

Dear Ms. Bell,

Your free trial of Final Tally ----- to end on February 10. That means that you have just 3 days ^{131.} left of comprehensive cloud-based accounting solutions. We hope that Final Tally has helped you not just organize your small business's day-to-day finances but also understand its ^{132.} financial situation. If you would like to keep using Final Tally, please log in to your account and become a paid subscriber.

If you do not buy a subscription, you will have 60 days to retrieve any materials you are storing in Final Tally. ^{133.} all data associated with your account will be deleted. Also, if there is a particular reason you end up deciding not to subscribe, please let us know. ^{134.}

Thanks,

The Final Tally Team

131. (A) is scheduled
(B) was scheduled
(C) has scheduled
(D) scheduled

133. (A) Meanwhile
(B) However
(C) Therefore
(D) Afterward

132. (A) preliminary
(B) assorted
(C) overall
(D) foremost

134. (A) We have been eagerly awaiting your reply.
(B) We are always looking for ways to improve.
(C) We have several options that may be appropriate.
(D) We love to share praise with the rest of our team.

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Instructions for Fingerprinting

Clear impressions of your fingers and thumbs are necessary in order to confirm that you are eligible for a long-term visa. ^{135.} To take your own fingerprints, you will need a black ink pad. Roll a single finger on the ink pad so that it becomes evenly coated in ink. Find the box on the background check form that ^{136.} corresponds to that finger. Press one side of the finger into it and roll toward the other side of the finger, maintaining an even amount of pressure. Repeat the procedure for all other fingers. You may attempt to retake unclear impressions only if there is sufficient space ^{137.} in the appropriate box. ^{138.}

135. (A) Take
(B) To take
(C) Having taken
(D) The taking of

136. (A) devotes
(B) designates
(C) corresponds
(D) consents

137. (A) remained
(B) remaining
(C) remainder
(D) remains

138. (A) Doing so would cause serious imperfections in the fingerprint.
(B) You will not need to be fingerprinted again until shortly before that date.
(C) Finally, allow the participant to thoroughly wipe his or her hands off.
(D) Otherwise, please start the process over with a new copy of the form.

Questions 139-142 refer to the following memo.

From: Jerry Moore
To: All employees
Re: Accounting area

Hi everyone,

Following the recent remodel, many employees have been choosing to pass through the accountants' area in order to go from the front entrance to the break room or vice versa. I understand that this way is the -----, but this practice cannot be allowed to continue. The 139. accountants have reported that they find it very distracting. ----- On my advice, they have tried 140. locking the door and directly asking the employees who do this to stop, but ----- effort has 141. succeeded. Therefore, building maintenance has given its permission to block off the door between the accounting area and the break room with heavy furniture. This memo is intended to notify you all that from tomorrow, the door will be absolutely unusable. Please adjust your ----- accordingly. 142.

Jerry Moore
Head of Human Resources

139. (A) convenient
(B) convenience
(C) most convenient
(D) more conveniently

141. (A) this
(B) any
(C) their
(D) neither

140. (A) If you are having a similar problem, we can speak to management together.
(B) The break room would be a better place for such a conversation anyway.
(C) Please knock first to give them some warning that you are approaching.
(D) More importantly, they need to be able to work on confidential materials freely.

142. (A) routes
(B) priorities
(C) estimates
(D) greetings

Questions 143-146 refer to the following article.

Lewitts Episode of *On The Case* To Air

LEWITTS (October 2)—An episode of the television drama *On The Case* that was shot 143. in Lewitts will be broadcast on NBO tonight at nine.

The show stars Farida Abboud and Henry Bryant as detectives who travel around the country solving crimes. In tonight's episode, they visit the 144. town of Marndale to investigate a disappearance.

Several locations around Lewitts, including the courthouse, Kelley Park, and Butler General Store, were chosen to embody the places imagined by the show's staff. 145. As usual, though, the beginning and end of the episode were shot on sets in Dromery City.

Town official Albert Cheong said he hopes that the broadcast attracts the 146. of other productions: "We would welcome more film and television projects."

143. (A) primarily
(B) highly
(C) overly
(D) exclusively

144. (A) authentic
(B) fictional
(C) adjacent
(D) diverse

145. (A) All other sites require a permit from Lewitts's government.
(B) Residents should expect traffic disruptions in these areas.
(C) The scenes were filmed over a one-week period in August.
(D) So far, the episode has been well-received by critics and viewers.

146. (A) attendant
(B) most attentive
(C) attention
(D) attending