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. Work Power Magazine is a new trade ----- for human resource professionals.
A. publication
B. publishers
C. publish
D. is publishing

102. Ms. Murata requests that this month's sales totals be submitted ----- the end of the day.
A. within
B. if
C. that
D. By

103. A midsize design ------, Gillwoods Interiors specializes in residential spaces.
A. firm
B. program
C. piece
D. Industry

104. The board of directors thanked Juliana Thorne for ------ efforts on organizing the shareholders' meeting.
A. her
B. herself
C. she
D. Hers

105. Ms. Rodriguez will speak about a banking conference she ------ in Lisbon last month.
A. attends
B. Attended
C. will attend
D. Attend

106. ------ the success of his restaurant, chef Sook Yong wrote a best - selling cookbook.
A. Because
B. When
C. After
D. Already

107. The banquet hall was ------ decorated for the fund - raising gala on June 11.
A. elaborated
B. elaborately
C. Elaborate
D. Elaborator

108. The Whitby Town Council recently prepared a brochure recommending ways that residents can play an ------ role in the community.
A. activate
B. active
C. Action
D. Activity

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109. Ms. Johnson ----- a feasible solution to the customer's network problem.

A. came up with
B. dropped by
C. looked in on
D. ran out of

110. The human resources department is ----- pressure to find a replacement for the senior accountant.

A. within
B. through
C. Under
D. Among

111. Beltrax has ----- ranked as one of the top providers of marketing research since its foundation seven years ago.

A. conveniently
B. temporarily
C. Consistently
D. Wishfully

112. Mansfield Chemical built an extension that ---- additional space for the newly purchased machinery.

A. will have furnished
B. would furnish
C. had furnished
D. to furnish

113. The public speaking course presents trainees with opportunities ----- themselves in front of a group.

A. will express
B. to express
C. are expressing
D. Expressed

114. The speaker at the Westicon Literature Seminar told an ----- story that had the entire audience laughing in enjoyment.

A. amusing
B. amusement
C. Amused
D. Amuse

115. A fee of $100 will be ----- to office rental payments that are more than two weeks late.

A. applied
B. applying
C. Apply
D. Application

116. Last month's issue of Wise Finance ----- an exclusive interview with Chuck Grandville, founder of financial firm Grandville Investments.

A. subscribed
B. admitted
C. Featured
D. Dedicated

117. Broadcasting the ---- latest news 24 hours a day, cable station CPP allows viewers to keep up-to-date on world events.

A. fewer
B. very
C. Far
D. More

118. The software ----- that New-Tech offers remove security risks and improve the performance of computers.

A. increments
B. enhancements
C. Certificates
D. Exceptions

119. An accomplished skater -----, Mr. Lowenstein also coaches the world-champion figure skater Sara Krasnova.

A. he
B. him
C. Himself
D. His

120. Sefu Asamoah is an innovative architect who is ------- the traditional approach to constructing space-efficient apartment buildings.

A. challenge
B. challenging
C. Challenged
D. Challenges

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121. Because of------- regarding noise, the hotel manager has instructed the landscaping staff to avoid operating equipment before 9:30 A.M. A. complaints B. materials C. opponents D. Symptoms	**126**. ------- the most challenging aspect of accepting a new position is negotiating a salary that is both fair and satisfying. A. Perhaps B. Outside C. Every D. While
122. For 30 years, Big Top Prop Company has been the premier------- of circus equipment for troupes around the world. A. providing B. provision C. provider D. Provides	**127**. Complaints about its new line of kitchen appliances led Loxevo, Inc., to adopt higher ------- for assessing quality. A. standards B. features C. risks D. Institutions
123. Chris Cantfield was ------- the outstanding candidates considered for the Thomas Award for exceptional police service. A. on B. among C. during D. Up	**128**. The chief engineer noted that constructing another bridge would be more ------- than repairing the existing structure. A. economy B. economics C. economically D. Economical
124. Please instruct employees with questions concerning the new payroll policy to contact ----- or Ms. Singh directly. A. my B. mine C. me D. I	**129**. Jansen Bus Company drivers are expected to complete regular trainings ------- maintaining their state licenses. A. in addition to B. according to C. inside D. Within
125. South Regent Aviation is adopting measures to reduce fuel expenses by ------- cargo loads. A. light B. lighten C. lightly D. Lightening	**130**. Ms. DeSoto ------- all employees to come to last week's budget meeting even though only officers were obligated to attend. A. to have urged B. had urged C. will have urged D. was urged

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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 invitation.

You are invited to Wilson Associates' third annual company picnic. The event **(131)** ------ to take place on June 12 from 12:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. at Baker Field. **(132)** ------ should consider contributing an item to be used during the sports activities. This donation can be for croquet, badminton, lawn bowling, or a similar type of activity. In addition to games, you can enjoy delicious food throughout the afternoon. **(133)** -----. Please notify a manager if you have any special dietary needs **(134)** ----- we can accommodate you. We look forward to seeing you on June 12!

131.

A. to schedule
B. was to be scheduled
C. has been scheduling
D. is scheduled

132.

A. Everyone
B. Another
C. Those
D. Others

133.

A. Volunteers should report to the venue at noon
B. All the food will be supplied by Tambara Caterners.
C. Wilson Associates donates to charities annually.
D. Thanks for responding to the invitation so quickly.

134.

A. whenever
B. as much as
C. so that
D. However

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Questions 145 - 138 refer to the following e-mail.

To: Angela Thornberry <athornberry@fastmail.com>
From: Vincent Nakamura <vnakamura@traxcomputers.com>
Subject: Your laptop
Date: June 18

Dear Ms. Thornberry,

I am writing about the Trax 2700 you dropped off at our store on June 15 because of problems with its screen. After sending it to our **(135)** ----- for examination, we discovered that it contained a faulty component. At present, your laptop is being **(136)** -----. As requested, we are also thoroughly testing the device to see if there are any other issues.

As this problem appears to have been entirely our fault, we will provide you with a $50 voucher to use at our retail store. **(137)** -----, e-coupons for our Web site are also available. Just let us know which you'd prefer.

(138) -----. If you have not received it by then, please call customer service.

Best wishes,

Vincent Nakamura
Customer Satisfaction Department

135.
A. technicality
B. technical
C. technicians
D. technology

136.
A. replaced
B. repaired
C. shipped
D. Recalled

137.
A. Regrettably
B. Subsequently
C. Approximately
D. Alternatively

138.
A. The model you inquired about is no longer available at this location.
B. We will send the computer back to you within three days.
C. You are not covered under the warranty as it has expired.
D. We have been receiving a number of complaints about our service.

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Questions 139 - 142 refer to the following information.

Win a free ski lift tickets from Schuler!

Schuler Gas **(139)** ------ its customers a chance to win free ski lift tickets. They are worth $149 each and good for the entire day at any of the 15 resorts participating in this promotion. From now until December 26, simply buy over 38 liters of fuel at any Schuler gas station, nationwide. Then leave the receipt, complete with your contact information on the back, in the box **(140)** ------ the exit. Please note that the ticket will be valid for a limited time**. (141**) -----. Furthermore, they cannot be exchanged for cash. Our raffle on January 1 will determine the winners, who can **(142)** ----- the tickets at the station the day after we call them. Alternatively, winners can arrange to have them mailed it.

139.

A. has offered
B. was offering
C. will have offered
D. is offering

140.

A. inside
B. beside
C. upon
D. without

141.

A. You can save more if you buy ski lift tickets for five or more days.
B. Each one must be used by the date and time stamped on it.
C. Discounts are not applicable if coupons are past their expiration dates.
D. The country's ski resorts are among the best the world has to offer.

142.

A. claim
B. deliver
C. redeem
D. Pursue

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Questions 143-146 refer to the following letter.

Ms. Seema Nishad
Yadav Engineering Ltd.
7100 B-4 Pratap Bazar
Ludhiana 141003

Dear Ms. Nishad:

I am writing to invite you to participate in the India Materials Engineering Association's (IMEA) trade show this year. As always, the event will provide **(143)** ----- opportunities for networking.

Many vendors have already reserved booths. However, there are other ways to **(144)** ---- your company. Those who sponsor a meeting or provide refreshments receive special acknowledgment in the program.

Enclosed please find information regarding the trade show. It includes pricing **(145)** ---- for reserving a booth, placing ads, and sponsoring an event, in addition to a list of past participants.

(146) ------. If you have questions, please contact me by e-mail.

Sincerely,
Manik Chaudhary
IMEA Vendor Coordinator
chaudhary@matengineer.org.in

Enclosure

143.
A. extend
B. extends
C. extensively
D. extensive

144.
A. promote
B. monitor
C. construct
D. negotiate

145.
A. markets
B. details
C. labels
D. Receipts

146.
A. We hope you decide to join us this year.
B. We have placed your ad in the brochure.
C. Your participation in the event will be at no cost.
D. Your presentation is scheduled for the first day.

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