

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. Part of the _____ of the new café is that its outdoor seating overlooks the nearby lake.
(A) appeal
(B) consent
(C) standard
(D) model
102. Ms. Blaire has been working tirelessly to improve the _____ environment in the office.
(A) worked
(B) worker
(C) working
(D) works
103. _____ remains to be determined is how much money will be allocated to the department's budget.
(A) That
(B) How
(C) What
(D) Which
104. Mr. Thompson's secretary told him to call the vice president as soon as he _____ back from lunch.
(A) returned
(B) called
(C) stayed
(D) arrived
105. Ms. Hampton decided to take her vacation in the first week of August _____ on a trip abroad with her family.
(A) go
(B) going
(C) to go
(D) will go
106. Reserving tickets in advance is recommended for those who want to be _____ close to the stage.
(A) seats
(B) seating
(C) seated
(D) seater

107. _____ all of the promotions have been confirmed, the names and positions will be posted on the company's web page.
(A) Once
(B) Therefore
(C) In spite of
(D) With regard to
108. In order to gain a _____ advantage over their rivals, the company supervisors decided to pursue graduate studies.
(A) compete
(B) competitive
(C) competition
(D) competing
109. Ms. Jameson of Eager Travel called the office to provide the _____ for Mr. Smith's upcoming business trip.
(A) itinerary
(B) roster
(C) ticket
(D) lease
110. The computer system was malfunctioning and would not _____ any users to log on to the Internet.
(A) allow
(B) report
(C) enter
(D) submit
111. Mr. McGregor _____ machines for Ernst Welding for more than two decades.
(A) is repairing
(B) has been repairing
(C) was repaired
(D) had been repaired
112. Unless Mr. Murray's train arrives _____ the next ten minutes, he is going to be late for the meeting.
(A) by
(B) for
(C) within
(D) about
113. The captain announced that the plane was being sent to another airport due to the poor _____ in the Chicago area.
(A) vision
(B) visible
(C) visibility
(D) visibly
114. Driving without lights at night is hazardous not only to other drivers _____ to pedestrians.
(A) and so
(B) but also
(C) nor
(D) as with
115. Many of the employees expressed their _____ at being obligated to work overtime on the weekend.
(A) frustrate
(B) frustrating
(C) frustrated
(D) frustration
116. All those _____ pass the first stage in the application process will be invited to have an interview at the company's headquarters.
(A) which
(B) who
(C) where
(D) whom

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117. Mr. Wilkins encourages his employees to _____ with one another to help them improve their teamwork.
- (A) interact
 - (B) discuss
 - (C) combine
 - (D) reveal
118. The CEO is scheduled to take a tour of the new manufacturing facility the day before it _____ opens.
- (A) officiate
 - (B) official
 - (C) office
 - (D) officially
119. Customers at Davis Consulting are encouraged to provide _____ of either a positive or negative nature.
- (A) response
 - (B) promotion
 - (C) feedback
 - (D) reaction
120. The mechanic indicated that the car had suffered serious engine problems and _____ a week to be repaired.
- (A) will be taking
 - (B) would take
 - (C) has been taken
 - (D) was taken
121. _____ ten people rejected the manager's request to work overtime on the holiday weekend.
- (A) As much as
 - (B) No fewer than
 - (C) At around
 - (D) With about
122. Tickets for the musical may be _____ online or by calling the box office at 509-5430.
- (A) purchased
 - (B) demanded
 - (C) reviewed
 - (D) donated
123. Katmandu Travel _____ in guided tours of some of the most fascinating places in Southeast Asia.
- (A) specializing
 - (B) has been specialized
 - (C) specializes
 - (D) was specialized
124. Only _____ personnel are permitted to walk through the lower levels of the research facility without an escort.
- (A) authority
 - (B) authorized
 - (C) authorities
 - (D) authorizing
125. _____ the two employees have some differences, they also share quite a large number of similarities.
- (A) Because
 - (B) Therefore
 - (C) If
 - (D) While
126. While Rabbit Logistics charges high prices, it guarantees _____ the packages it delivers will arrive on time.
- (A) what
 - (B) that
 - (C) which
 - (D) when

127. Although the marketing campaign was widely hailed as a success, _____ at J. Gilman, Inc. actually declined in the last quarter.
- (A) revenue
 - (B) sale
 - (C) product
 - (D) quantity
128. The first step _____ sales is to make solid connections with one's client base.
- (A) improves
 - (B) being improved
 - (C) to improving
 - (D) have been improving
129. Ervin Textiles sells high-quality products made domestically at _____ prices anyone can afford.
- (A) reasoning
 - (B) reason
 - (C) reasonable
 - (D) reasonably
130. The firm is going to bring in several outside experts to _____ what the cause of all the problems is.
- (A) determine
 - (B) approach
 - (C) regulate
 - (D) discuss

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