

Listening Exercise 15 - TOEFL



Skill # 15 > Recall information from conversations between personnel and students in a variety of setting on campus. Choose the best answer.

Conversation One

1. What is the purpose of this conversation?

- a. The woman is asking the man's opinion of Professor Hendrix.
- b. The woman is buying books for a college course.
- c. The man is training the woman to work in the bookstore.
- d. The man is helping the woman with her packages.

2. Why didn't the woman use her roommate's book?

- a. She was taking the course with a different professor.
- b. The professor was using a different book.
- c. The book had a lot of marks in it.
- d. Her roommate had already sold the book.

3. According to the man, what is the problem with using an older edition?

- a. The instructor refers to different page numbers.
- b. It is usually very marked up from use.
- c. The professor doesn't order them.
- d. They aren't much cheaper than the new edition.

4. Why does the woman buy the style manual?

- a. The manual is required.
- b. The price is not expensive.
- c. The instructor will refer to it.
- d. The man found one.

5. Listen again to part of the conversation. Then answer the question.

"I don't think uh ... Hendrix changed the order this semester." "Wouldn't you know? My roommate sold all her books at the end of the term."

Why does the woman say this: "Wouldn't you know?"

- a. She is asking the man if he knows what her roommate did.
- b. She is confirming that the man knows her roommate.
- c. She is commenting about her bad luck.
- d. She is trying to get the man to laugh.

6. What can we infer about the woman?

- a. She is happy with her purchase.
- b. She is friends with the man.
- c. She is an A student.
- d. She is angry with her roommate.

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Conversation Two

1. What is the main topic of this conversation?

- a. The Internet.
- b. Research methods online.
- c. The school home page.
- d. Library computer terminals.

2. What is Oasis?

- a. The on-line library catalog.
- b. The name of the school.
- c. A Web site for books.
- d. The password for Netlibrary.

3. How does the man set up an account for Netlibrary?

- a. He tells his password to the librarian.
- b. He logs in on his home computer.
- c. He uses the computer in the library.
- d. He does it by telephoning the library.

4. How does the man pay for Netlibrary?

- a. There is a one-time fee.
- b. He will be charged every month.
- c. The service is free for students.
- d. He pays a fee per book.

5. Listen again to part of the conversation. Then answer the question.

"Let me see if I've got this. Oasis is exactly like the catalog for the library here at school, and so uh ... I can find ... all the books and materials that are on the shelves, but they ... I can't see them."

Why does the man say this: *"Let me see if I've got this."*

- a. To check whether he has understood the woman.
- b. To look for something he has lost at school.
- c. To ask the woman to show him some books.
- d. To find out if he has a job at the library.

6. What will the man probably do now?

- a. Go back to his apartment.
- b. Open an account.
- c. Use Netlibrary.
- d. Ask the librarian for help.

Listening Exercise 16 - TOEFL



Skill # 15 > Recall information from conversations between service personnel and students in a variety of setting on campus. Choose the best answer.

Conversation One

1. What prompted the conversation?

- a. The man wants to place a classified ad in the newspaper.
- b. The woman wants to find an apartment close to school.
- c. The man wants to pay for a newspaper subscription.
- d. The woman wants to fill out an application for employment.

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2. What does the man want to sell?

- a. Furniture. b. Books. c. Garden supplies. d. An apartment.

3. What is the man's last name?

- a. Martin. b. Martyn. c. Wynn. d. Wartin.

4. How will the man pay?

- a. He will pay by check.
b. He will have the amount billed to his home address.
c. He will give the woman cash.
d. He will come back to pay when he is billed.

5. Why does the man decide to revise what he has written?

- a. To make it clearer to understand. c. To make it cheaper to print.
b. To make it longer to read. d. To make it easier to use.

Conversation Two

1. What is the purpose of the conversation?

- a. To help the woman make a purchase.
b. To request the woman's identification.
c. To show the woman how to make out a check.
d. To register the woman for a course at City College.

2. What is meant by the term cash?

- a. Money. c. Credit cards or checks.
b. Money or credit cards. d. Checks or money.

3. How does the woman pay for her purchase?

- a. Credit card. b. Money. c. Debit card. d. Check.

4. What did the woman use as identification?

- a. She used her student ID card and a charge card.
b. She used her credit card.
c. She used her driver's license and her student ID card.
d. She used her telephone number and her student ID card.

5. Who is the man in this conversation?

- a. A clerk. b. The woman's husband. c. A police officer. d. A bank teller.

