

## 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. Unless funds are added to the \_\_\_\_\_, the project will be unable to be completed on time.

(A) laboratory  
(B) budget  
(C) election  
(D) proposal

102. The decision to produce the new line of vehicles must be made soon \_\_\_\_\_ next year's marketing campaign.

(A) prepares  
(B) preparing  
(C) will prepare  
(D) to prepare

103. \_\_\_\_\_ on the city's newest hotel is taking longer than expected and will be finished behind schedule.

(A) Construct  
(B) Constructive  
(C) Construction  
(D) Constructing

104. Ms. Hall suggested that the tourists find a hotel closer to the airport \_\_\_\_\_ one out in the countryside.

(A) in opposition to  
(B) according to  
(C) rather than  
(D) as a result of

105. Applications for \_\_\_\_\_ to overseas branches must be received no later than the third Friday in November.

(A) transfer  
(B) transferred  
(C) transferable  
(D) transference

106. Either the director of the Sales Department \_\_\_\_\_ Karen Wolf, the vice president, will attend the staff meeting.

(A) and  
(B) or  
(C) also  
(D) so

107. The appeal of the product to people in all age groups resulted in sales that were higher than \_\_\_\_\_.  
(A) approved  
(B) regarded  
(C) anticipated  
(D) resolved

108. All first-time customers \_\_\_\_\_ 15% off their orders when shopping at the online store.  
(A) receive  
(B) await  
(C) purchase  
(D) exchange

109. It is highly suggested that guests \_\_\_\_\_ their reservations with the hotel during the peak season.  
(A) confirm  
(B) confirming  
(C) have been confirmed  
(D) to confirm

110. The renovations on the Dynasty Hotel should be completed no later \_\_\_\_\_ the start of the summer season.  
(A) than  
(B) which  
(C) when  
(D) such

111. According to the schedule, Ms. Harper is going to give the \_\_\_\_\_ speech at the conference in Boise.  
(A) opens  
(B) opening  
(C) opener  
(D) opened

112. As soon as the merger between the two firms was complete, several employees were \_\_\_\_\_ that they were being laid off.  
(A) approached  
(B) reported  
(C) notified  
(D) expected

113. Numerous souvenir shops are located in the part of the city \_\_\_\_\_ tourists commonly visit.  
(A) when  
(B) which  
(C) how  
(D) then

114. Once the \_\_\_\_\_ have been signed by Ms. Murrell, they will be taken to the Legal Department.  
(A) documents  
(B) documentary  
(C) documented  
(D) documenting

115. Numerous passengers were \_\_\_\_\_ at the airport overnight when bad weather caused their flights to be canceled.  
(A) boarded  
(B) waited  
(C) transferred  
(D) stranded

116. Ms. Lakewood \_\_\_\_\_ with the house the realtor showed her and decided to buy the property on the spot.  
(A) impressed  
(B) will be impressed  
(C) was impressed  
(D) has impressed

117. The store manager promised to have the furniture delivered to the office \_\_\_\_\_ the end of the day.

- (A) until
- (B) for
- (C) on
- (D) by

118. Those who \_\_\_\_\_ in the study will be given gift certificates that may be redeemed at local establishments.

- (A) participant
- (B) participatory
- (C) participative
- (D) participate

119. Each spring, Westside Construction \_\_\_\_\_ several individuals for new positions at its various worksites.

- (A) fires
- (B) transfers
- (C) recruits
- (D) offers

120. Should it be necessary to receive an extension on the deadline, please \_\_\_\_\_ us as soon as possible.

- (A) inform
- (B) to inform
- (C) are informing
- (D) be informed

121. Mr. Worthy has given no indication of \_\_\_\_\_ when the employment contract is going to be signed.

- (A) know
- (B) knowledge
- (C) knowing
- (D) knowable

122. An announcement was made that Travis Bean had been \_\_\_\_\_ the company's newest head of Accounting.

- (A) hired
- (B) named
- (C) proposed
- (D) agreed

123. \_\_\_\_\_ of the attendees was aware that Judy Garcia, the keynote speaker, had failed to arrive yet.

- (A) Nobody
- (B) None
- (C) Many
- (D) Much

124. Limnos, Inc. \_\_\_\_\_ its latest line of appliances at the sales exhibition in New Orleans next week.

- (A) introduced
- (B) has introduced
- (C) is introducing
- (D) will be introduced

125. Dirk Powers, the head of the labor union, was arrested on suspicion of making \_\_\_\_\_ to politicians.

- (A) bribe
- (B) bribes
- (C) bribed
- (D) bribery

126. The surprise inspection \_\_\_\_\_ that many of the factory workers were not adhering to safety standards.

- (A) alerted
- (B) revealed
- (C) suspected
- (D) completed

127. Mr. Dawson tried to \_\_\_\_\_ his colleagues to support him in his attempt to become a member of the board of directors.

- (A) elect
- (B) regard
- (C) approach
- (D) persuade

128. \_\_\_\_\_ being offered a promotion and a sizable raise, Ms. Lansing resigned and took a job at another firm.

- (A) Despite
- (B) In fact
- (C) Nevertheless
- (D) Regarding

129. Several engineers were replaced when large numbers of customers \_\_\_\_\_ complaints about the designs of the products at Weber, Inc.

- (A) are filing
- (B) have filed
- (C) filed
- (D) had been filed

130. The store manager changed the \_\_\_\_\_ of the store to place men's clothing right by the front door.

- (A) layout
- (B) budget
- (C) advertisement
- (D) schedule

## 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 announcement.

### New Terminal to Open at Airport

Springfield International Airport is proud to announce that its newest terminal is going to open soon. After thirty months of construction, Terminal 2 is ready to start sending passengers to destinations <sup>131.</sup> the world. The new terminal has twenty-five gates that will be used by nine different airlines. Local budget airline Ace Airways will be the <sup>132.</sup> occupant of the terminal as it will have control over ten of the gates. Terminal 2 will be able to process several thousand passengers each day. It will also have all kinds of facilities, including duty-free shops and a number of franchise restaurants. <sup>133.</sup> Its gates will be able to handle the largest passenger airliners in the world, too. The terminal is set to open on Thursday, April 10. There will be a small ceremony at 7 A.M., and then passengers will be <sup>134.</sup> so that they can start going to their gates to catch their flights.

131. (A) over  
(B) in  
(C) around  
(D) within

132. (A) primate  
(B) primary  
(C) primed  
(D) priming

133. (A) Passengers have already complimented the quality of items sold in the stores.  
(B) In addition, the gates are specifically designed for small commuter planes.  
(C) It is anticipated that they will bring in millions of dollars in revenue annually.  
(D) There is not yet anywhere for passengers to eat or to go shopping though.

134. (A) charged  
(B) admitted  
(C) dispatched  
(D) booked

Questions 135–138 refer to the following notice.

To: All Tenants, Bluebird Tower  
From: Cliff Samuels, Building Manager  
Re: Rent Increase  
Date: August 2

Please be aware that as of September 1, all rents in the building will increase by 10%. This increase applies both to individuals renting apartments \_\_\_\_\_ those people who are renting office or commercial spaces. \_\_\_\_\_ I will be sending new contracts to all tenants within the next five business days. You need to sign them and return them to me at my office on the first floor no later than August 15. Those of you who do not wish to pay the higher rent must \_\_\_\_\_ the premises by August 31. Your security deposit \_\_\_\_\_ as soon as we in the management office confirm that your space has not suffered any damage. You may feel free to speak with me about the rent increase or anything else that is on your mind. Just call me at 856-4584 during regular business hours.

135. (A) and  
(B) so  
(C) or  
(D) that

137. (A) remove  
(B) sell  
(C) repair  
(D) vacate

136. (A) There are unfortunately no more places available for rent at the moment.  
(B) There is no need for any of you to sign a new lease if you do not wish to do so.  
(C) All tenants must renegotiate the amount of rent that they pay sometime this week.  
(D) The rents are being increased to account for the recent rise in utilities prices.

138. (A) have been returned  
(B) returned  
(C) will be returned  
(D) was returned

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Questions 139–142 refer to the following letter.

March 15

Dear Member of the Association of Auto Mechanics,

The Association of Auto Mechanics (AAM) is going to hold its annual conference on September 14 and 15. The event is going to be held in Memphis, Tennessee. This is the same location as last year's event. Due to the tremendous \_\_\_\_\_ of the conference last year, it was unanimously decided by the members of the executive staff at the AAM to have it in Memphis once again.

This year's conference will have a large number of events, including talks, workshops, and a sales fair. The keynote speaker will be \_\_\_\_\_ mechanic Robert McGuffin, an expert in the art of repairing antique vehicles. As a member of the AAM, you are \_\_\_\_\_ to pay the discounted registration rate of \$75. That will get you access to every event that is being held at the conference. Some airlines and hotels are offering discounts to our members. Please call (405) 326-8695 for more information regarding that. \_\_\_\_\_

Sincerely,

Tim Matterhorn

President, Association of Auto Mechanics

139. (A) succeed  
(B) success  
(C) sucession  
(D) succeeding

141. (A) excepted  
(B) avoided  
(C) entitled  
(D) reported

140. (A) famed  
(B) imitation  
(C) novice  
(D) incompetent

142. (A) Thanks for attending the event.  
(B) A great time was had by everyone.  
(C) We hope to see you in September.  
(D) Calls regarding this matter will be ignored.

Questions 143–146 refer to the following article.

### Pearl Resident of the Year Named

Pearl (December 28) – In a ceremony held at city hall last night, Jason O'Brien was \_\_\_\_\_ the 143. Resident of the Year by Mayor Anna Harper. Mr. O'Brien, who has lived in Pearl for more than forty years since moving to the city as a child, has been in the news a lot this year. First, when a tornado swept through the city in the spring, Mr. O'Brien helped organize groups of residents to rescue those needing assistance. 144. He also 145. a large amount of money to relief efforts in the city. He came to the rescue once again when the Red River flooded its banks in summer and left half the city under two feet of water. Finally, Mr. O'Brien provided \$2 million for the building of a local community center, where residents will be able to go for various leisure activities once construction on it is complete 14 months from now. According to Mayor Harper, 146. else was even considered for the award.

143. (A) nominated  
(B) reported  
(C) named  
(D) stated

145. (A) donated  
(B) deposited  
(C) invested  
(D) contracted

144. (A) He was on a team that stopped the flooding from affecting the entire city.  
(B) His efforts resulted in 20 people being saved from inside collapsed homes.  
(C) Those groups warned local residents about the tornado and led them to safety.  
(D) The money that he provided helped repair people's homes that burned in fires.

146. (A) everybody  
(B) anybody  
(C) somebody  
(D) nobody

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