Mock TOEIC A – Part 1: Reading

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.

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 (A), (B), (C), or (D).

101. The office _____ all next week.

A) closed
B) was closed
C) will be closed
D) has been closed

102. The company is _____ in London.

A) based
B) started
C) worked
D) released

103. This e-mail _____ your reservation.

A) confirms
B) to confirm
C) confirming
D) confirmations

104. John is _____ the four brothers.

A) youngest
B) younger of
C) the younger
D) the youngest of

105. The tourist season _____ at the end of April.

A) begins
B) to begin
C) has begun
D) beginning

106. _____ costs is one of our most important goals.

A) Reduce
B) Reduces
C) Reducing
D) Reduction

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107. Many car engines will not start in cold _____.

A) climate

B) weather

C) condition

D) temperature

108. Last month, sales _____ by more than 10%.

A) fell

B) fallen

C) fell over

D) fall down

109. Most students _____ smaller classes to larger ones.

A) take

B) study

C) prefer

D) choose

110. On Monday, the city made _____ in public illegal.

A) smoke

B) smoked

C) smoking

D) to smoke

111. About 60% of the hotel's _____ are business travelers.

A) guests

B) rooms

C) tourists

D) vacations

112. The report is due _____ no later than 5:00 p.m. today.

A) by

B) on

C) to

D) for

113. Payments _____ received within 30 days of delivery.

A) has to

B) should

C) must be

D) had better

114. The project _____ at least $1.2 million to complete.

A) will cost

B) has a price

C) has charged

D) is an expense

115. Our travel arrangements were made _____ in advance.

A) week

B) weeks

C) weekly

D) weekend

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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).

Questions 131-134 refer to the following job advertisement.

Communications Expert Needed

Green World, an environmental group, is looking for a Communications Expert. The position ------- **131.** writing speeches and newsletters, updating a blog, and handling all communication with the news media. A secondary duty will be to research public opinion about a wide variety of environmental ------- **132.**. The position reports directly to the Director of Communications.

Candidates should have a degree in communications or media studies, and excellent speaking and writing skills. To ------- **133.**, please e-mail a resume or CV and a cover letter to jobs@greenworld.org before June 30. ------- **134.**.

131.

A) needs
B) works
C) employs
D) involves

132.

A) issues
B) types
C) reasons
D) thoughts

133.

A) hire
B) join
C) apply
D) request

134.

A) Thank you for the interview.
B) Your application has been accepted.
C) Please also include a brief example of your writing.
D) You may be interested to know about the salary and benefits.

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Questions 135-138 refer to the following e-mail.

To:	ed_franklin@topautos.com
From:	service@specialtyparts.com
Date:	Aug 1
Subject:	Order # 7493256 has shipped
Attachments:	invoice.docx

Dear Mr. Franklin,

We would like ------- **135.** you that your order (#7493256) has been shipped by Fast Post Courier Service.

The ------- **136.** delivery date is August 3rd. You can track your package on the Fast Post web site.

Your tracking ID is 48896974.

Our invoice in the amount of $5,291 is ------- **137.** to this e-mail. Payment is due within 30 days. ------- **138.** .

Sincerely,

Susan Fowler

Customer Service Representative

Specialty Parts

135.

A) advises
B) advised
C) to advise
D) is advising

136.

A) expect
B) expects
C) expected
D) expecting

137.

A) noted
B) charged
C) attached
D) included

138.

A) Thank you for sending our order so quickly.
B) Your order will be sent as soon as we receive payment.
C) Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further service.
D) We apologize for being unable to complete your order at this time.

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PART 7

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 (A), (B), (C), or (D).

Questions 147-148 refer to the following recipe.

Vegetable Pasta

Ingredients
500 grams pasta
Olive oil, about 30 ml, for frying
2 onions, chopped
1 zucchini, sliced
3 cloves garlic, crushed
4 broccoli florets, chopped
4 sundried tomatoes, sliced
1-2 fresh basil leaves, torn into small pieces
Salt and pepper to taste

Directions
Boil the pasta until done, about 10 minutes. While the pasta is boiling, make the sauce. Add about 30 ml of olive oil to a large frying pan. Gently fry the onions and zucchini in the oil for about two minutes. Add the garlic, broccoli, and tomatoes, and cook for about five minutes more. Add salt and pepper, if needed. When the pasta is done, drain it and cover with the sauce. Top with the basil, and serve.

147. What is mentioned about broccoli?

A) It should be as fresh as possible.
B) It needs to be washed before cooking.
C) It needs to be boiled before adding to the sauce.
D) It should be fried with the garlic and tomatoes.

148. When is the basil added?

A) Just before serving
B) When the onions are added
C) At the same time as the tomatoes
D) As soon as the pasta begins to boil

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Questions 149-150 refer to the following announcement.

Donny Ray Williams to Open Shows for Rose Dreams Band

Country singer Donny Ray Williams will open ten shows for the Rose Dreams Band this June. Cities include Memphis, TN (three nights); Nashville, TN (two nights); Chattanooga, TN; Knoxville, TN; Ashville, NC; and Charlotte, NC (two nights).

Williams recently completed a month-long tour across the country with award-winning guitarist Dwight Chapman. Williams recently signed a recording contract with Southern Records, and will release his first album for the label later this summer. Chapman has several shows scheduled in Florida in July.

149. What is probably true about the show in Knoxville?

A) It is on a Friday night.
B) It is for one night only.
C) It is the last show on the tour.
D) It is the only one with the Rose Dream Band.

150. What is mentioned about Donny Ray Williams?

A) His band has a new guitarist.
B) He is touring with Dwight Chapman.
C) He will play several shows in Florida.
D) His album will be available later in the year.

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Questions 151-152 refer to the following newsletter.

DOWNTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY Monthly Newsletter

The Downtown Public Library has had its one millionth visitor!

On September 10th, Ms. Stavroula Catsouli became the one millionth person to use the library. Ms. Catsouli is an exchange student from Thessaloniki, Greece, here studying opera at the Haydn School of Music. She visited the library to research Jacopo Peri, an Italian composer who is often credited as having written the first opera. Ms. Catsouli borrowed three books about Peri's life and his operas, and became our one millionth visitor.

Ms. Catsouli received a $50 gift certificate for the Library Bookstore.

151. What is implied about Ms. Catsouli's visit?

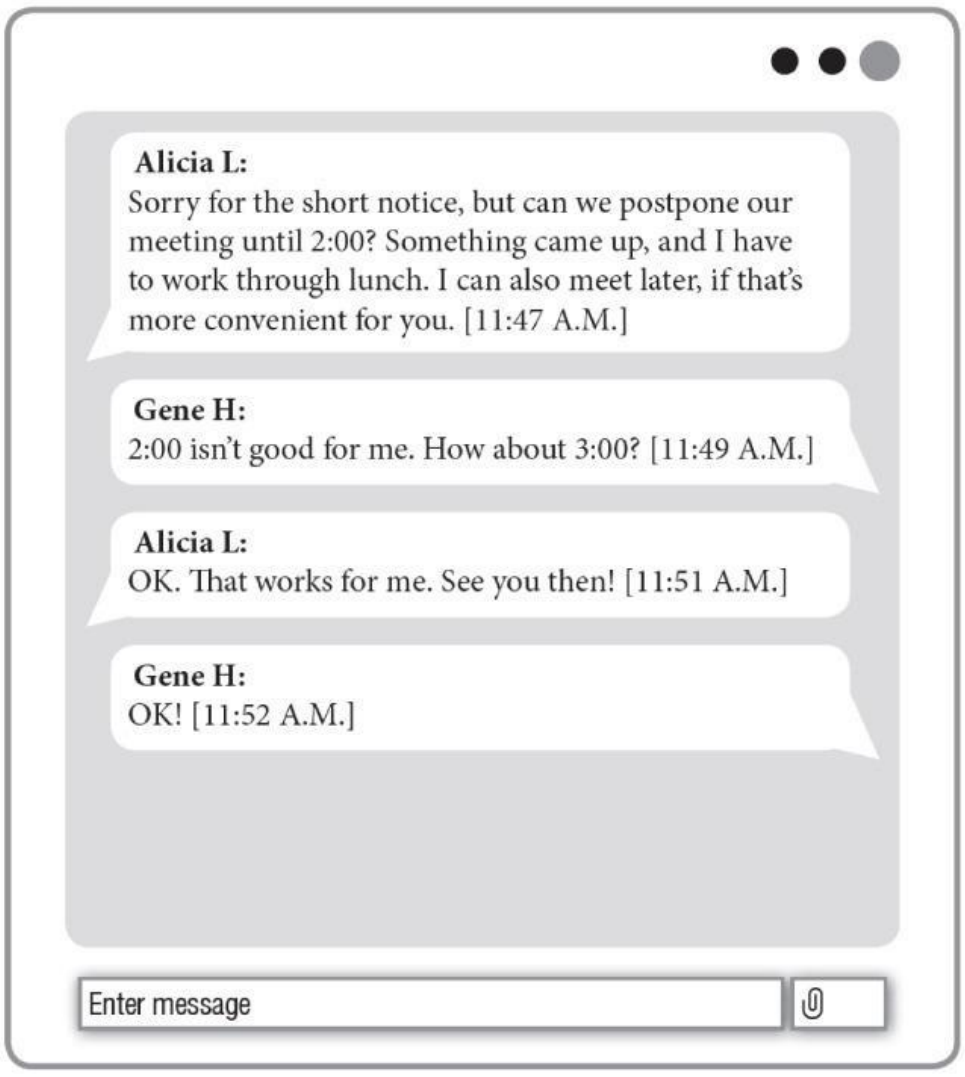
A) It required a lot of planning.
B) It involved traveling to Greece.
C) It was a historic event for the library.
D) It was paid for by the Hayden School of Music.

152. What is mentioned about Jacopo Peri?

A) He wrote several operas.
B) He wrote many books about opera.
C) He is attending the Haydn School of Music.
D) He is a music teacher at the Hayden School of Music.

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Questions 153-154 refer to the following text message chain.



153. Why does Alicia contact Gene?

A) To arrange to meet for lunch
B) To change the time of a meeting
C) To ask about the reason for a meeting
D) To find out what time a meeting was planned for

154. At 11:51 A.M., what does Alicia most likely mean when she writes, "That works for me"?

A) She has changed her plans.
B) She still has a lot of work to do.
C) She agrees with Gene's suggestion.
D) She is looking forward to working with Gene.

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Questions 155-157 refer to the following article.

Most Workers Would Rather Not Be The Boss

Managers who are worried about employees taking their jobs should relax. — [1] —. A recent questionnaire showed that 70 percent of workers would rather not be in charge. In addition, 65 percent said that they probably would not be a better boss than their current manager is. — [2] —.

The questionnaire was given by ProSource, a company that helps businesses hire managers and other professionals. — [3] —.The questionnaire was given to 1,000 men and women 18 years of age or older who have professional jobs. — [4] —.
Employees were asked:

1. "Would you like to have your boss's job?"
Answers:

No	70%
Yes	25%
Don't know	5%

2. "Do you think you would be a better boss than your current boss is?"
Answers:

No	65%
Yes	30%
Don't know	5%

155. What percentage of workers feels their current boss is a better boss than they could be?

A) 25
B) 30
C) 65
D) 70

156. What is noted about the questionnaire?

A) It was taken only by managers.
B) It was taken by 1,000 workers.
C) It was taken by ProSource employees.
D) It was taken by people hired in the last 18 months.

157. In which of the positions marked [1], [2], [3], and [4] does the following sentence best belong? "This suggests that most employees would not welcome a promotion to a position that included increased duties and responsibilities."

A) [1]
B) [2]
C) [3]
D) [4]

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Questions 158-160 refer to the following weather forecast.

Local Weather Forecast

Today:	Mostly cloudy skies. High near -2C. Light winds from the southwest.
Tonight:	Mostly cloudy skies. Low near -9C. Winds from the southwest at 8 to 10 kph.
Tomorrow:	Partly cloudy. High 3. Low -5. Winds from the northwest at 8 to 10 kph.
Thursday:	Partly cloudy. Highs around 5 and lows near -7.
Friday:	Mostly cloudy skies. Highs near 5 and lows about -1.
Saturday:	Showers. Highs about 6 and lows near -2.

158. On which day is some rain expected?

A) Thursday
B) Friday
C) Saturday
D) Sunday

159. What is the warmest expected temperature for the period shown?

A) 5
B) 6
C) 8
D) 10

160. On which day was the forecast probably published?

A) Monday
B) Tuesday
C) Wednesday
D) Thursday

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Questions 161-163 refer to the following article.

Swiss Watchmakers On Time

ZURICH (January 10) — More than half of office workers at a watch factory set their watches to the second, and many give themselves a few extra minutes, according to a new study.

The study, by a famous watchmaker in Switzerland, also suggested that female employees are more concerned about being on time than male employees are.

The watchmaker asked 500 of its office workers in the Swiss city of Zurich about their watch habits, and found that 53 percent said they set their watches to the second and 41 percent said they set them at least two minutes fast.

Women were more likely than men to add a little more time. Fifty-five percent of the women said they set their watches forward – by an average of 2.5 minutes – but only 32 percent of men said they do the same.

The study also found that the typical office worker at the company owns an average of 3.7 watches.

161. The word "concerned" in paragraph 2, line 4, is closest in meaning to

A) upset
B) afraid
C) worried
D) comfortable

162. What is implied about the watches of most of the women involved in the study?

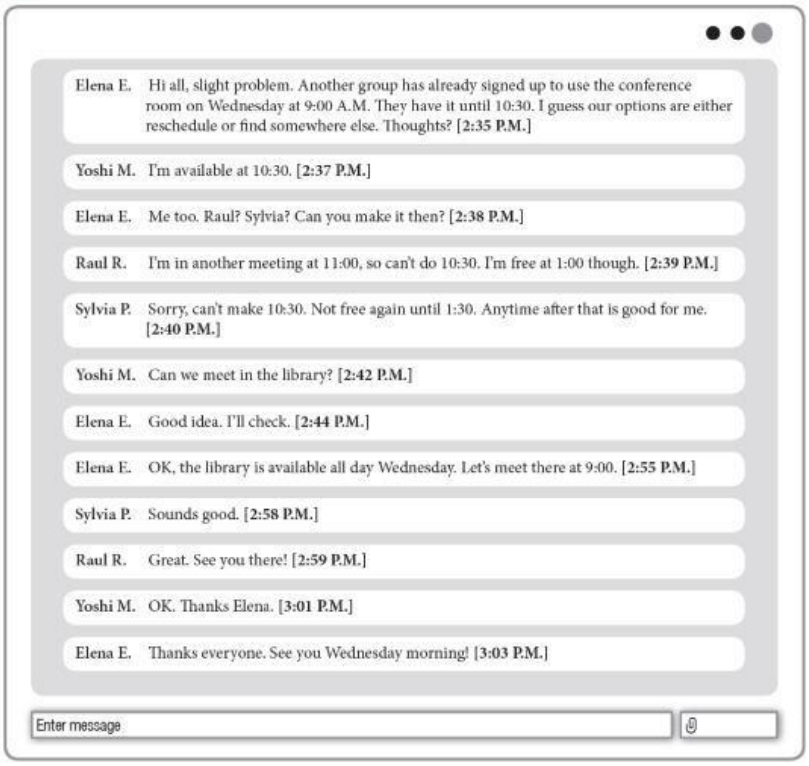
A) They are worn on the left arm.
B) They are set ahead of the correct time.
C) They were made in the factory where the women work.
D) They are smaller than the watches worn by most of the men.

163. What is indicated about the study?

A) It took almost 2.5 years to complete.
B) It compared watch habits in different Swiss cities.
C) It was carried out by a company that makes watches.
D) Its main goal was to find out how often people wear watches.

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Questions 164-167 refer to the following text message chain.



164. According to Elena, what is the problem?

A) The conference room is already booked.

B) Yoshi will be unable to attend the meeting.

C) Raul and Sylvia are attending a conference.

D) She has another meeting scheduled for the same time.

165. How does Elena reply to Yoshi's meeting time suggestion?

A) By accepting it.

B) By politely saying no.

C) By suggesting a later time.

D) By offering to meet him sooner.

166. At 2:44 P.M., what does Elena mean when she writes, "I'll check"?

A) She will find out who else will be at the meeting.

B) She might not be able to stay until the end of the meeting.

C) She is going to see whether meeting in the library is possible.

D) She is not sure that Raul and Sylvia have been invited to the meeting.

167. When will the meeting take place?

A) At 9:00 A.M.

B) At 10:30 A.M.

C) At 1:00 P.M.

D) At 1:30 P.M.

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Questions 168-171 refer to the following e-mail.

From:	Yolanda Perez <y_perez@toptech.com>
To:	Lars Voss <l_voss@toptech.com>
Date:	November 4, 20 – 11:56:29 A.M.
Subject:	Inventory

Hi Lars,

— [1] —. At our meeting this morning, you asked me to make a list of any office supplies that we're running out of and that need to be ordered. — [2] —. I've checked our inventory, and here are all the items that we're currently low on – meaning we have fewer than 5 in stock. I've also included the product IDs and the cost for each item.

If you'd like, I can take care of ordering more. — [3] —. If we get our order in today before 3:00, it should be delivered Thursday morning. — [4] —.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Yolanda Perez

Product ID	Product Description	Cost (each)	# In Stock
4350	Terex Copier Paper (500 sheets)	$8.95	2
6214	CopyTrue Printer Ink (black)	$29.95	1
6215	CopyTrue Printer Ink (color)	$31.95	4
7927	ClearBrite Monitor Cleaners (100 wipes)	$24.95	3

168. What did Mr. Voss ask Ms. Perez to do?

A) Arrange for an order to be paid for

B) Have an order delivered to his office

C) Check the cost of some office supplies

D) Find out which items the company should order

169. In which of the positions marked [1], [2], [3], and [4] does the following sentence best belong? "Just let me know how many of each you'd like me to order."

A) [1]

B) [2]

C) [3]

D) [4]

170. What is true about the ClearBrite Monitor Cleaners?

A) They cost $24.95.

B) There are 100 left in stock.

C) There are none currently available.

D) They were ordered on November 4th.

171. Which product ID has the least available in stock?

A) 4350

B) 6214

C) 6215

D) 7927

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