TOEIC Listening Test - Part 1: Grammar Building Worksheet

Instructions:

Work through each section. Try to complete the exercises without looking at the answer key first. Afterwards, use the answer key to check your work and then review any grammar points you found challenging.

Section 1: Present Continuous (Progressive)

The Present Continuous tense is commonly used to describe actions happening at the moment in a picture. (Subject + is/are + Verb-ing)

Exercise 1: Complete the Sentences

Complete each sentence with the correct Present Continuous form of the verb in parentheses.

1. The woman _____ (write) on a notepad.
2. Two men _____ (shake) hands.
3. A car _____ (drive) down the street.
4. The children _____ (play) in the park.
5. He _____ (hold) a cup of coffee.

Section 2: Present Simple

The Present Simple tense is used to describe general states, facts, or recurring actions, which can also appear in picture descriptions. (Subject + Verb / Verb-s/es)

Exercise 2: Choose the Correct Verb Form

Choose the correct Present Simple form of the verb to complete each sentence.

1. The building (is / are) very tall.
2. Many books (fill / fills) the shelf.
3. The desk (has / have) a computer on it.
4. The path (leads / lead) to the lake.
5. She often (wears / wear) a uniform.

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Section 3: Passive Voice (Present Simple/Continuous)

The Passive Voice is often used when the focus is on the object receiving the action, or when the doer of the action is unknown or less important. (Object + is/are + Past Participle) or (Object + is/are + being + Past Participle)

Exercise 3: Rewrite in Passive Voice

Rewrite the following sentences in the Passive Voice.

1. Someone is repairing the road. The road _____.
2. They stack the boxes. The boxes _____.
3. A machine is cleaning the floor. The floor _____.
4. People use the chairs daily. The chairs _____.
5. She is watering the plants. The plants _____.

Section 4: Identifying Correct Tense/Voice

This exercise combines the concepts to help you choose the most appropriate description for a picture.

Exercise 4: Choose the Best Sentence

For each picture description, choose the sentence (A or B) that uses the most appropriate tense or voice.

1. Picture Description: A construction worker is currently painting a wall.

   (A) The worker paints the wall.

   (B) The worker is painting the wall.

2. Picture Description: A row of chairs is set up for an event.

   (A) The chairs are being arranged.

   (B) The chairs are arranged.

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3. Picture Description: A person is looking at a document.

   (A) The person looks at a document.

   (B) The person is looking at a document.

4. Picture Description: A bridge is undergoing repairs.

   (A) The bridge is repaired.

   (B) The bridge is being repaired.

5. Picture Description: Several cars are parked in a lot.

   (A) The cars are parking in a lot.

   (B) The cars are parked in a lot.

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