

650+ Lesson 7 – Reading Part 7

Part 5

1.

The committee members _____ the proposal to be fair, although some still disagree with the details.

- (A) are considering
- (B) consider
- (C) considered
- (D) have considered

2.

Currently, the supplier _____ to have sufficient raw materials, but the report may not reflect the real situation.

- (A) is seeming
- (B) seems
- (C) is appeared
- (D) has seemed

3.

The marketing plan _____ more ambitious than the one introduced last quarter.

- (A) appears
- (B) is appearing
- (C) appeared to be being
- (D) is appeared

4.

The new policy _____ employees to submit travel receipts within five business days.

- (A) requires
- (B) requires to
- (C) is requiring
- (D) is required

5.

When the stock market _____ dramatically, investors often panic and sell off shares too quickly.

- (A) falls
- (B) falls it
- (C) is fallen
- (D) has fallen it

6.

The research team _____ extensive data last year, which later served as the basis for the new project.

- (A) collected
- (B) collect
- (C) collects
- (D) was collect

7.

The final version of the annual report _____ reviewed by both the legal and financial departments before publication.

- (A) was
- (B) were

- (C) has
- (D) have

8.

The HR department confirmed that the new guidelines _____ already distributed to all managers.

- (A) had been
- (B) have been
- (C) were
- (D) are

9.

Only after careful negotiation _____ the board agree to reduce the licensing fees.

- (A) did
- (B) do
- (C) does
- (D) done

10.

Employees _____ wear identification badges at all times while on company premises.

- (A) must
- (B) may
- (C) should have
- (D) can be

11.

Given the unexpected outcome, the analysts concluded that the data _____ misinterpreted during the initial review.

- (A) must
- (B) might have been
- (C) could
- (D) should

12.

The safety inspector warned that the accident _____ prevented if the proper procedures had been followed.

- (A) can be
- (B) could have been
- (C) may have
- (D) must be

13.

The company's new headquarters _____ conveniently located near the city's main transportation hub.

- (A) is
- (B) lies
- (C) locates
- (D) located

14.

Although Mr. Carter usually _____ calm during negotiations, yesterday he unexpectedly lost his temper.

- (A) remains
- (B) is remaining
- (C) remained
- (D) remaining

15.

Rarely _____ such a dramatic increase in productivity within such a short period of time.

- (A) has the company experienced
- (B) the company experiences
- (C) did the company experiences
- (D) does experienced the company

Part 7

Practice 1: Read the passage and choose the correct answer.

Learn to Save a Life

Mill Village Community Training Center

For the residents of Mill Village and surrounding areas, the Mill Village Community Training Center is offering two life-saving courses this spring.

COURSE 1 Heart Saver CPR*

Description: Provides instruction in CPR and the relief of choking in both adults and children

Course Length: Two to three hours

COURSE 2 Life Saver First Aid

Description: Provides instruction on how to treat an injury or illness until professional help arrives on the scene

Course Length: Three and a half hours

Both courses are available to Mill Village and surrounding area residents 18 years and older. For further information, phone the center Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., at 222-3535.

*CPR is the first aid treatment for a person who has collapsed, has no pulse, and has stopped breathing. It consists of attempts to restore circulation of the blood and prevent death or brain damage due to lack of oxygen.

1. What is the main purpose of this notice?

- A. To encourage participation in a course
- B. To ask residents to perform first aids
- C. To define the term CPR for the students
- D. To give the center's hours of operation

2. Who is eligible to attend?

- A. Adults and children
- B. Senior citizens only
- C. Adults only
- D. Children only

Practice 2: Read the passage and choose the correct answer.

Halo Supermarkets to Build Hundreds of US Stores

On Wednesday, the international supermarket chain Halo revealed its intention to construct nearly 400 new stores across the United States. This three-year, \$2 billion expansion is expected to make the grocer a growing threat to the country's top food retailers. Discount chains like Halo are predicted to grow at several times the rate of traditional grocery chains—at least 8% a year through 2025, according to recent research by the consulting firm Wilders & Co.

Because the company has never invested in large marketing campaigns, many American shoppers will be discovering the chain for the first time. A Halo spokesman, Justin Cho, said that the company keeps prices down by carrying mostly store-brand goods rather than famous brand names, and that Halo-brand goods have been improving.

“We’re confident that the quality of our products will start attracting a wider range of American customers,” Cho said. He added that the younger generation is less loyal to big-name brands and thus more likely to try store brands. In a recent survey by Wilders & Co., a majority of shoppers under 30 said they trust store brands and feel that they are a smart way to save money. The Halo expansion is also expected to create about 10,000 new jobs.

1. What is the article about?

- A. A supermarket's new marketing strategy
- B. A predicted growth in the grocery industry
- C. A company's plans to expand
- D. A new report by a consulting firm

2. What is stated about discount supermarkets?

- A. They are especially popular in the US.
- B. They have a wide variety of brands.
- C. They use aggressive marketing.
- D. They are expected to grow rapidly.

3. Who are more open to trying store brands?

- A. Senior citizens
- B. Customers under 30
- C. Frequent online shoppers
- D. Halo employees

Practice 3: Read the article and form and choose the correct answer.

Annual Run to Honor First Responders

The Fifth Annual Heroes' 5K Run to honor the Ashland police and fire departments will be held on Sunday, July 15, at 11:00 a.m. The run is organized by the Ashland Citizen's Club, a non-profit that raises funds for various charities.

Victor Campos, the club's current vice-president, founded the event five years ago and has been its chief organizer every year. Campos says he was inspired to start the annual run by an experience he had as a child. "When I was 8, I watched firefighters put out a house fire on my street," he said. "I never forgot it."

The event has grown from fifty participants in its first year to over 900 last year. As a result, space is limited, and advance registration will be mandatory for the first time. The event also needs volunteers to work at the check-in tables and snack counters, as well as to help out with other tasks.

To register as a runner or as a volunteer, go to ashlandclub.org/5k/register. It costs nothing to volunteer, but runners must pay a \$10 registration fee. All proceeds from the event will go to the Foundation for First Responders, which helps provide training and equipment to police and fire services around the country.

REGISTRATION FORM

Fifth Annual Heroes' Run, July 15

Name: Maria Rubio

Age: 16

Sex: M F

Phone no. 889-4012

E-mail address: mrubio@ymail.net

Category: Runner Volunteer

Runners: A \$10 registration fee will be required on the day of the run. Please arrive no later than 10:30 a.m. Runners under age 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Volunteers: Please arrive no later than 9:30 a.m. on the day of the run. Check two preferred activities below. (We cannot guarantee your preferences, but we will try!)

Check-in table Snack counter (cashier) Distributing water
 Accepting/Recording donations Administering first aid (certification needed)

T-shirt size (choose one):

XS S M L XL

(T-shirt is included in runner's registration fee. Volunteers and spectators can purchase one for \$5.)

1. What is the purpose of the article?

- A. To persuade people to volunteer
- B. To profile a community leader
- C. To raise local first responders
- D. To report on an upcoming charity event

2. What is stated about the run?

- A. It was founded by the police and firefighters.
- B. It did not previously require pre-registration.
- C. It benefits the Ashland Citizen's Club.
- D. It was not successful in past years.

3. Which is true about Maria Rubio?

- A. She would arrive by 10:30.**
- B. She must come with an adult.**
- C. She wants to take donations.**
- D. She does not have to pay for registration**

4. Who receives a free T-shirt?

- A. Runners**
- B. Volunteers**
- C. Spectators**
- D. Children**