

Inference Question Strategies

Practice Section – TOEFL-Style Inference Questions

Simulation 1 (10 questions)

Reading Text 1:

Maria wakes up early every day. She takes the bus at 6:30 AM to work. She never arrives late. Her boss says she is very responsible.

Questions

1. What can we infer about Maria?
 - a) She likes to sleep late
 - b) She is punctual
 - c) She does not like her job
 - d) She works at night

2. Why does the boss think Maria is responsible?
 - a) She always arrives on time
 - b) She is the boss
 - c) She works from home
 - d) She is always tired

Reading Text 2:

Tom forgot his umbrella. Now his clothes are wet.

3. We can infer that:
 - a) It rained
 - b) It was very hot
 - c) He went swimming
 - d) It snowed

Reading Text 3:

Sara is smiling and holding a birthday cake.

4. We can infer that:
- a) It is someone's birthday
 - b) It is raining
 - c) She is angry
 - d) She is sad

5. Reading Text 4:

The store lights are off, and the door is locked.

5. We can infer the store is:
- a) Open
 - b) Closed
 - c) Very busy
 - d) New

Reading Text 5:

Anna is buying balloons and party decorations.

6. Anna is probably planning a:
- a) Party
 - b) Trip
 - c) Test
 - d) Job interview

Reading Text 6:

The dog is barking and looking at the door.

7. We can infer that:
- a) Someone is at the door
 - b) The dog is sleeping

- c) The house is empty
- d) The dog is eating

Reading Text 7:

The boy is wearing a coat, scarf, and gloves.

8. We can infer the weather is:
- a) Hot
 - b) Cold
 - c) Rainy
 - d) Sunny

Reading Text 8:

Emily bought a ticket to go to France.

9. Emily is going to:
- a) Travel
 - b) Sleep
 - c) Cook
 - d) Study math

Reading Text 9:

The classroom is silent. The students have pencils and papers. The teacher is watching.

10. We can infer the students are:
- a) Playing
 - b) Taking a test
 - c) Cleaning the room
 - d) Eating lunch

Simulation 2 (10 Questions)

Short text about a park

Many people are sitting on the grass. Children are running and laughing.

There are many colorful kites in the sky.

11. We can infer the weather is:

- a) Rainy
- b) Nice
- c) Snowy
- d) Very cold

12. People in the park feel:

- a) Sad
- b) Bored
- c) Happy
- d) Angry

Short text about a student

Luis is reading a medical book every night. He wants to become a doctor.

13. Luis is:

- a) Lazy
- b) Studying hard
- c) Going to sleep
- d) Playing games

Short text about a restaurant

There are many people waiting outside the restaurant.

14. We can infer the restaurant is:

- a) Not popular
- b) Closed
- c) Very popular
- d) Dirty

Short text about a girl

Sofia is crying and holding a broken toy.

15. We can infer Sofia feels:

- a) Happy
- b) Upset
- c) Excited
- d) Proud

Short text about weather

The streets are white with snow.

16. We can infer the weather is:

- a) Winter
- b) Summer
- c) Very hot
- d) Rainy

Short text about a worker

Carlos wears a uniform and drives people to different places.

17. Carlos is probably a:

- a) Doctor
- b) Teacher
- c) Bus driver
- d) Artist

Short text about pets

The cat is sleeping on Ana's lap.

18. This shows that the cat feels:

- a) Safe
- b) Scared
- c) Angry
- d) Hungry

Short text about food

Ana says, "This soup is too salty!"

19. We can infer Ana:
- a) Likes the soup
 - b) Does not like the soup
 - c) Is making the soup
 - d) Wants more salt

Short text about time

It is dark outside, and the moon is visible.

20. It is likely:
- a) Morning
 - b) Afternoon
 - c) Night
 - d) Noon

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