

## 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. The new policy allows employees to set ----- own working hours under certain conditions.

(A) they  
(B) their  
(C) theirs  
(D) themselves

102. Based on last year's data, Paik Company increased its sales projections ----- the current year.

(A) when  
(B) for  
(C) if  
(D) or

103. Harbison's Department Store interviews applicants ----- standard business hours.

(A) among  
(B) beside  
(C) during  
(D) onto

104. Takealong Industries' commercial propane heaters deliver more warmth to ----- areas.

(A) wideness  
(B) widen  
(C) wider  
(D) widely

105. By switching to new project-management software, the editorial team has ----- improved its publication processes.

(A) great  
(B) greatly  
(C) greater  
(D) greatest

106. The search committee ----- three candidates for the chief executive position.

(A) nominating  
(B) nomination  
(C) has nominated  
(D) has been nominated

107. ----- a two-month delay, new carpeting was installed in the east conference room.

(A) Additionally  
(B) Although  
(C) After  
(D) Furthermore

108. To boost -----, the Makeup Artist Academy is offering a free starter kit to new students.

(A) enroll  
(B) enrolled  
(C) enrolling  
(D) enrollment

109. Because Lectula Furniture Company ----- its delivery times, we were able to set a firm opening date for the new hotel.

(A) guarantees  
(B) advises  
(C) requires  
(D) delays

110. The computer technician was very ----- but was not able to solve my problem.

(A) friendly  
(B) neutral  
(C) possible  
(D) frequent

111. To make room for conference attendees, ----- visitors to the office building should use the rear parking area tomorrow.

(A) regular  
(B) regularly  
(C) regularize  
(D) regularity

112. Employees must wear their security badge in a way that is ----- visible when in the building.

(A) clearly  
(B) recently  
(C) evenly  
(D) secretly

113. Ms. Phon wanted to attend the gallery opening; -----, the inclement weather made that impossible.

(A) therefore  
(B) following  
(C) however  
(D) for example

114. Giving leadership tasks to warehouse package handlers often ----- them to work more productively.

(A) adopts  
(B) reinforces  
(C) motivates  
(D) attracts

115. Kaybing Construction works ----- on large commercial projects in the Newfoundland area.

(A) exclusively  
(B) exclusive  
(C) exclusivity  
(D) exclusives

116. Carly Logan plans -----, so Alan Zill has volunteered to be the stamp club's next treasurer.

(A) resigning  
(B) to resign  
(C) resigns  
(D) to have resigned

117. Although the housing market slowed ----- the summer months, sales began to pick up again in the autumn.

(A) apart  
(B) even  
(C) only  
(D) over

118. To remain fully functional, the exercise machines need to be cleaned -----.

(A) rather  
(B) almost  
(C) routinely  
(D) openly

119. The extended warranty is good for ten years or 100,000 miles, ----- comes first.

(A) whoever  
(B) either  
(C) whichever  
(D) another

120. Atlantic Grocers must offer online shopping options or ----- losing customers to other supermarkets.

(A) risk  
(B) protect  
(C) cancel  
(D) hold

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121. ----- client is assigned to a personal financial adviser to whom inquiries should be addressed.

(A) Each  
(B) All  
(C) Some  
(D) Most

122. Mr. Singh wants to form a ----- to explore some employee reward programs.

(A) supervisor  
(B) suggestion  
(C) notification  
(D) committee

123. Please provide your phone number ----- the delivery driver needs to contact you.

(A) whereas  
(B) despite  
(C) if not  
(D) in case

124. ----- of Pondview Tower are required to make rent payments on or before the first day of every month.

(A) Owners  
(B) Buyers  
(C) Tourists  
(D) Tenants

125. Likoni Hospitality Group, one of Mombasa's largest employers, has a ----- impact on the local economy.

(A) considerably  
(B) considerable  
(C) considering  
(D) consideration

126. ----- best sellers, Booksters offers a wide selection of classics and biographies.

(A) Besides  
(B) Somewhat  
(C) Whose  
(D) Becoming

127. New food regulations require all Dean's Burgers packaging to contain the notice that ----- undercooked meat can be harmful.

(A) consumer  
(B) consumption  
(C) consumes  
(D) consuming

128. Each Genutria snack bar contains as much protein as two eggs, with none ----- the fat and cholesterol.

(A) of  
(B) by  
(C) out  
(D) minus

129. Fisko eyeglass frames come in various -----, including round, square, and oval.

(A) sights  
(B) methods  
(C) shapes  
(D) materials

130. The CEO wants a greater portion of next year's budget ----- to research and development.

(A) allocated  
(B) imprinted  
(C) economized  
(D) rationalized

**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 advertisement.

**Estella Guitar Lessons: Play with the Best**

Whether you play acoustic guitar ----- electric, taking lessons with an Estella Guitar teacher is the **131.** best way to improve your ability. With years of experience crafting playing techniques, ----- **132.** qualified instructors can tailor lessons to focus on the skills you want to fine-tune. Receive a customized learning plan to set goals and overcome the challenges that cause many players to get discouraged. ----- **133.** An Estella Guitar teacher will help boost your confidence.

At Estella Guitar, we believe that playing music is a way of expressing yourself. ----- **134.** , we will help you go beyond the familiar chords and riffs to develop your own identity as a musician. Ready to get started? Visit [www.estellaguitar.com/lessons](http://www.estellaguitar.com/lessons) to get matched with the right instructor for you!

**131.** (A) is  
(B) or  
(C) likely  
(D) from

**134.** (A) So far  
(B) With that in mind  
(C) On a different note  
(D) At that point

**132.** (A) our  
(B) ourselves  
(C) ours  
(D) us

**133.** (A) Contact a technician for questions about repairs.  
(B) A high-quality instrument will help you to perform at your best.  
(C) The best resource for you as a learner is an expert to guide your progress.  
(D) It took them several years to master their instruments.

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Questions 135-138 refer to the following policy.

In-home delivery takes approximately one week after an order is shipped from our warehouse.

The actual time may vary based on the location of your ----- and your availability for accepting the  
135. item. Vernico Furniture will work with a carrier ----- an appointment that is convenient for you.  
136.

Typical hours are Monday through Friday between 8 A.M. and 5 P.M., ----- evening appointments  
137. can often be arranged. Upon arrival at your home, the item will be placed in the location you  
desire. ----- . Assembly is included as well.  
138.

135. (A) garden  
(B) records  
(C) residence  
(D) organization

136. (A) to schedule  
(B) is scheduling  
(C) as a schedule  
(D) that scheduled

137. (A) if so  
(B) when  
(C) though  
(D) in the meantime

138. (A) When buying a home, location is  
extremely important.  
(B) Refinishing furniture is a form of art.  
(C) Furnished apartments can be found  
online.  
(D) All packing materials will be removed.

Questions 139-142 refer to the following e-mail.

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Subject: Subscription

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directly at 212-555-0122.

Sincerely,

Leena Montoya  
Customer Service Manager, Academe Media

139. (A) Thank you for your timely order.  
(B) We have processed your request.  
(C) This is a payment reminder.  
(D) Please contact us to update your information.

140. (A) Starts  
(B) Started  
(C) Starter  
(D) Starting

141. (A) distributor  
(B) producer  
(C) reader  
(D) teacher

142. (A) until  
(B) upon  
(C) without  
(D) next

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Questions 143-146 refer to the following information.

In a commercial kitchen, all refrigerators are required to have a thermometer that ----- from 143.

0°F (-18°C) to 220°F (104°C). To prevent the growth of bacteria, refrigerated foods must be stored at 41°F (5°C) or below. The head chef is responsible for checking these thermometers throughout the day to ensure that the kitchen is in compliance at all times.

Also important to consider is ----- . Thermometers should always be located in the warmest 144.

spot in the refrigerator. ----- . This location is also appropriate because it allows the 145.

thermometer to be easily ----- as soon as the door is opened. 146.

143. (A) ranges  
(B) ranger  
(C) ranged  
(D) ranging

144. (A) size  
(B) safety  
(C) reliability  
(D) placement

145. (A) Remove them carefully.  
(B) This is typically inside the door.  
(C) It should be kept cool at all times.  
(D) They can also be purchased in bulk.

146. (A) sold  
(B) seen  
(C) repaired  
(D) removed