

NEW 450+ LESSON 8 – READING PART 5 & 7

Part 5

I.

Activity 3: Complete the following sentences by choosing the correct prepositions.

1. Unemployment has increased _____ the past two months.

- (A) by (B) on
(C) until (D) over

2. She always finishes work _____ 8 PM every day.

- (A) on (B) at
(C) until (D) within

3. _____ the summer she worked as a lifeguard.

- (A) During (B) For
(C) Until (D) Within



II.

Activity 6: Choose the correct answers to complete the sentences.

1. He walked _____ the street alone.

- A. into C. along
B. to D. out of

2. The main path continues _____ a tunnel of trees.

- A. toward C. in
B. through D. out of

3. Percy went _____ the house without his briefcase.

- A. to C. out of
B. into D. through

4. He dropped the ice cubes _____ the glass of water.

- A. across C. through
B. into D. along

5. Look! That plane is flying _____ the airport. It is going to land.

- A. by C. along
B. toward D. out of

III.

Activity 7: Complete the following sentences by choosing the correct prepositions.

1. She needs an impressive profile _____ a well-paid job in the capital.

- A. for getting B. for get
C. for to get D. for got

2. Alex always gets up early in the morning _____ breakfast for his family.

- A. to making B. to make
C. to D. to having



IV.

Quick check

Activity 8: Complete the following sentences by choosing the correct prepositions.

during in at on between under after toward within to

1. The conference will take place ____ September.
2. He arrived ____ the airport just in time for his flight.
3. The store is closed _____ lunchtime.
4. The marketing manager is retiring this month _____ 30 years serving in NIC Corporation.
5. The train is heading ____ London.
6. Customers can get a full refund _____ 14 days of purchase.
7. He walked slowly _____ the exit.
8. The meeting is scheduled _____ Monday morning.
9. The bridge collapsed because it was built _____ poor conditions.
10. The agreement was signed _____ the two companies.

Part 7

I.

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

What will the company do for Mr. Singh?

- (A) Ship his cargo internationally
- (B) Pay for duties at customs
- (C) Do business with him again
- (D) Expedite his shipment for free

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Dear Mr. Singh,

Please find enclosed an invoice for your order of May 16th. We regret the delay in your shipment. Our cargo was held up by customs for much longer than expected, so our international shipments were delayed beyond our control. As such, we have couriered your shipment to you at no extra cost and hope that our delays have not caused you too much inconvenience. As further compensation, we are offering you a 10% discount on your next order of \$1,500 or more. Once again, we apologize for the delay and hope to do business with you again in the very near future.

Sincerely,

Gordon Ray
International Sales Manager

Scanning practice: Scan for the equivalent information.

II.

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

1. How long has Pronto Print been a customer of Trent Insurance?

- (A) Since March 6
- (B) Three months
- (C) Over two years
- (D) Nearly four years

2. What is indicated about Mr. Corke?

- (A) He will be very busy until the end of the month
- (B) He did not receive the messages Ms Simmons left.
- (C) He has not spoken to Ms Simmons recently
- (D) He used to be employed by Arch Insurance.

From: carla.simmons@prontoprint.co.us
To: bradley.corke@trentnot.org
Date: March 18
Subject: Policy no. 79105a

Dear Mr. Corke:

I am writing in response to your letter of March 6, in which you state that Pronto Print's annual buildings insurance policy is due to expire at the end of the month. The renewal quote you gave of \$1,379 is far higher than expected, especially since we have not had occasion to make a claim since taking out the policy with you almost four years ago. Going through our records, I noticed that each year the premium we have paid has risen significantly, and is now more than three times what it was when we started with you. In addition, your claim to be "the cheapest insurer in town" is inaccurate. I have recently received a far more competitive offer from Arch Insurance, providing exactly the same coverage for just \$975.

I have called several times to discuss this matter, only to be put through to your voicemail service. In the past week I have left three messages for you, yet have heard nothing back. Consequently, I can confirm that for reasons of both price and customer service, we will no longer be using Trent Insurance for our coverage.

Sincerely,

Carla Simmons, Office Manager

III.

E-mail

To: Randall Jones, Alpha Stationery Supplies <randyjones@alpha.com>

From: Leslie Yamamoto, Corporate Office Manager <yamamoto@hotmail.com>

Re: Looking for new supplier

Dear Mr. Jones,

My name is Leslie Yamamoto. As corporate office manager, I am responsible for ordering all the office supplies for our five branch offices as well as the head office. Our contract with our previous office supply company has ended, and as I was unhappy with their service, I am now looking for a new supplier. The last company had issues with keeping large enough quantities of catalog items in stock. Therefore, I am looking for a company that has a reliable source of inventory to meet our needs. I would very much like to set up a time for us to meet so that we can discuss details about what your company can and is willing to offer. Please call me at (360) 213-5555 to schedule an appointment at your earliest convenience.

Thank you,

Leslie Yamamoto
Corporate Office Manager

Read the passage and choose the correct answer.

1. What is the purpose of this e-mail?

- (A) To get advice on supplies
- (B) To complain about poor service
- (C) To arrange a meeting
- (D) To ask about products

2. What was the problem with the previous supplier?

- (A) They were late with most of their shipments.
- (B) They did not always have enough of some items.
- (C) They did not fulfill the terms of the contract.
- (D) They were unwilling to supply Yamamoto's company.

3. What does Leslie Yamamoto ask Randall Jones to do?

- (A) Get in touch by phone
- (B) Describe his company's inventory
- (C) E-mail a product catalog
- (D) Send a shipment of office supplies