

OVERVIEW OF THE TOEIC LISTENING AND READING TEST

Listening Test

- 100 multiple-choice questions
- 45 minutes
- 4 types of tasks:
 - 6 Photograph question 1 - 6
 - 25 Question-Response questions 7 - 31
 - 13 Conversations with 3 questions each 32 - 70
 - 10 Talks with 3 questions each 71 - 100
- Score scale: 5 -495
- Tasks measure a broad range of proficiency

The purpose of the Listening Test is to assess how well a test taker can understand spoken English in everyday and workplace contexts. Ability the kind of international English that is used in the workplace environments. The TOEIC Listening Test supports five sub claims about test taker abilities are follows:

1. The examinee can infer **gist, purpose, and basic context** in short spoken texts. The evidence to support this claim is collected in the difference tasks in the test. The short spoken texts which is what this claim focuses on appeared in part one and two in the test in the photograph and question-response item types.
2. The examinee can infer **gist, purpose, and basic context** in extended spoken texts. The evidence to support this claim is collected thought questions in extended or longer spoken texts which appeared in part three and four of the test in the conversations and talks.
- 3 The examinee can understand **details** in short spoken texts. The evidence to support this claim is gathered in some of the photographs and question-response questions which are the short spoken texts in the test
4. The examinee can understand **details** in extended spoken texts. That is the conversations and talks.
5. The examinee can understand a speaker's purpose or **implied meaning** in a phrase or sentence in the context of other language. The ability is tested in the question- response items, conversation and talks.

All four types of listening tasks conversations and talks include natural language because this reflates how spoken language is used in the real world.

Reading Test

- 100 questions
- 75 minutes
- 3 types
 - incomplete
 - text completion
 - reading comprehension
 - single texts
 - multiple texts
- Score scale: 5 -495
- Tasks measure a broad range of proficiency

Test part

part 5 30 questions

part 6 text completion 16 questions

single passage 29 questions

part 7 multiple passages 25 questions

The purpose of the TOEIC reading test is to assess how well a test taker can understand written English in everyday and workplace contexts.

The TOEIC Reading Test supports five sub claims about test taker abilities are follows:

1. **grammar** in part 5: incomplete sentence and part 6 text completion
2. **vocabulary** in written texts in part 5: incomplete sentences, 6: text completion, 7: reading comprehension
3. **connect information** across multiple sentence **in a single text and across texts**. part 6: test completion, and 7: reading comprehension
4. **locate and understand** specific information in written texts in part 7: reading comprehension.
5. **inferences** based on information in written tests in part 7: reading comprehension.

The TOEIC Listening Test supports the following five sub-claims regarding test-taker abilities: gist, purpose, basic context, detail, and implied meaning. The TOEIC Reading Test supports the following five sub-claims regarding test-taker abilities: grammar, vocabulary, connecting information, locating and understanding, and inferences.