#### **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 the 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 After Jonathan ----- the proposal for the project more than five times with his colleague, he finally handed it over to his boss.
  - (A) is revising
  - (B) will revise
  - (C) revises
  - (D) revised
- 102 Since Carol, my boss, was not satisfied with my work, she fired me and gave -----one month's notice.
  - (A) I
  - (B) me
  - (C) my
  - (D) mine
- 103 The company's ----- only took an hour and a half because they skipped the boring opening speech and some unnecessary formalities.
  - (A) group
  - (B) winner
  - (C) title
  - (D) ceremony

- **104** ----- the past two years, the number of car accidents has gone up by 15%.
  - (A) In
  - (B) Of
  - (C) At
  - (D) On
- 105 Due to ------ traffic, John has to wake up early every morning in order to make it to work on time.
  - (A) heaviness
  - (B) heavy
  - (C) heavily
  - (D) heaviest
- 106 Max complained to his boss that it's been 10 years since the office has been -----and it needs some changes in order to promote a better work environment.
  - (A) renovation
  - (B) renovate
  - (C) renovating
  - (D) renovated



- 107 Although Peter hurried up and called Kevin to tell him that the meeting was canceled, Kevin was ----- waiting for the representatives from the partner company.
  - (A) already
  - (B) later
  - (C) further
  - (D) once
- 108 BWS Corporation's employees were advised ----- the training session because only those who completed the session would be considered for the promotion.
  - (A) attend
  - (B) attended
  - (C) to attend
  - (D) is attending
- 109 When you invest your money, you have to choose ----- to invest in high-risk opportunities or low-risk ones.
  - (A) either
  - (B) neither
  - (C) yet
  - (D) nor
- 110 Peter was glad when he received a text message from the hospital reminding him of his ----- on Thursday because he almost forgot about it.
  - (A) appoint
  - (B) appointed
  - (C) appoints
  - (D) appointment
- 111 Jane could not apply for the job she desperately wanted ----- it required a high level of English.
  - (A) because
  - (B) until
  - (C) not only
  - (D) so that
- 112 Jason attempted to utilize some new equipment at the factory, but he had trouble figuring out even where ----- start button was.
  - (A) it
  - (B) its
  - (C) them
  - (D) they

113 Because the store was ----- located, it had a huge advantage in exposing its goods to the public, which had an impact on its increase in sales.

- (A) center
- (B) central
- (C) centrally
- (D) centered
- 114 The company announced that it would merge with Tyrell Incorporated, ----- it said the opposite only two days later.
  - (A) or
  - (B) and
  - (C) but
  - (D) if
- 115 Justin's Packaging company ----- receives returned products because the new machine that they purchased has been creating problems for the past couple of months.
  - (A) occasionally
  - (B) occasional
  - (C) occasion
  - (D) occasions
- 116 While Kim was waiting for the ----- of the product that she ordered a month ago, she realized that what she ordered was actually not the one that the company needed.
  - (A) release
  - (B) delivery
  - (C) transportation
  - (D) resource
- **117** According to the interviewer, the position requires a ----- familiarity with marketing theory.
  - (A) high
  - (B) broad
  - (C) whole
  - (D) round
- 118 Jason's colleagues were jealous of him because his boss ------ him with the work so much that he nearly had nothing to do but handed in the completed work.
  - (A) accepted
  - (B) helped
  - (C) entered
  - (D) produced





- 119 Although people often believe that coffee has too much caffeine, in reality, it's ------low in caffeine compared to some energy drinks such as Redbull, Monster and Rockstar.
  - (A) relatively
  - (B) closely

- (C) normally
- (D) jointly
- 120 Carl thought that the conference was very ----- and actually learned a lot more than he'd learned at university.
  - (A) informing
  - (B) informative
  - (C) informed
  - (D) informally
- 121 It is necessary for superiors to give a fair ----- of their workers because it has a huge impact on their future career.
  - (A) evaluate
  - (B) evaluates
  - (C) evaluated
  - (D) evaluation
- 122 Because Jack had ------ the company as the general manager for more than 20 years, there was not one employee who didn't know him.
  - (A) involved
  - (B) served
  - (C) regarded
  - (D) conducted
- 123 ----- the first three months, Tim's boss couldn't find any flaws in him, but he realized that Tim actually has a very hot temper when he got into an argument with his co-worker.
  - (A) Within
  - (B) Onto
  - (C) Along
  - (D) For

- 124 Although the company aimed for a greater number of sales by ------ the price of their products, it faced a huge loss in revenue because they couldn't reach their expected number of sales.
  - (A) low
  - (B) lower
  - (C) lowered
  - (D) lowering
- 125 A professional soccer player, Jinsu became so ----- in the game that he ended up earning himself a yellow card for his actions.
  - (A) satisfied
  - (B) preventable
  - (C) experienced
  - (D) competitive
- 126 Kate was hoping that Harry would correct his mistakes on the proposal before submitting it ----- she told him which mistakes she had found while going over it.
  - (A) after
  - (B) instead
  - (C) during
  - (D) beyond
- 127 The factory wasn't able to produce as many products as it was supposed to because the ----- couldn't deliver the raw materials on time.
  - (A) supplies
  - (B) supplier
  - (C) supplied
  - (D) supplying
- 128 Because the head of the company was obsessed with the company's profits from the ----- year, he couldn't focus on its profits for the current year.
  - (A) cautious
  - (B) previous
  - (C) supportive
  - (D) deliberate







- 129 In order to ----- the purchase of its new products, the company spent a great deal on advertising.
  - (A) obligate
  - (B) afford
  - (C) promote
  - (D) participate
- 130 Noticing that the stock value was -----decreasing, the biggest shareholder sold all of his stocks for a reasonably low price.
  - (A) continuing
  - (B) continually
  - (C) continued
  - (D) continual
- 131 With the strong visual effects of the presentation, the general manager sounded very ----- in his meeting held with the partner company.
  - (A) persuade
  - (B) to persuade
  - (C) persuasiveness
  - (D) persuasive
- 132 Because of the sudden death of the CEO. the company's stock value dropped -----and didn't recover for several years.
  - (A) extremely
  - (B) adversely
  - (C) dramatically
  - (D) retroactively
- 133 There are still ----- job opportunities in the Unites States because there are many small businesses around the country.
  - (A) immense
  - (B) enthusiastic
  - (C) calculating
  - (D) impending
- 134 ----- some customers claimed that the company's customer service providers are impolite, HISL Corporation totally ignored the claims.

131

- (A) Despite
- (B) Whatever
- (C) Although
- (D) Whenever

135 As a result of working for 14 hours continually. I was able to create an ----- of products in different colors.

- (A) agreement
- (B) array
- (C) acclaim
- (D) appeal
- 136 HIB Investment Bank, ----- shareholders were passionate about getting a new CEO, has been going through some chaotic changes recently.
  - (A) whatever
  - (B) whose
  - (C) which
  - (D) who
- 137 The head of the department has ----- that all employees are required to hand in their vacation plans before the end of the month.
  - (A) distinguished
  - (B) connected
  - (C) specified
  - (D) employed
- 138 Jim ----- made the same mistake by misspelling the names of the people who were supposed to attend the conference.
  - (A) by far
  - (B) once again
  - (C) very much
  - (D) for long
- 139 The president seemed ----- upset when the interviewer asked him a very sensitive question about his family history.
  - (A) so much
  - (B) well
  - (C) verv
  - (D) mostly
- 140 When the acid ----- turned red, Tony realized that he should not touch it without any protection on his hands.
  - (A) receptor
  - (B) operator
  - (C) contractor
  - (D) indicator







#### Part 6

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Directions: Read the texts on the following pages. A word or phrase is missing in some of the sentences. Four answer choices are given below each of these sentences. Select the best answer to complete the text. Then mark the letter (A), (B), (C), or (D) on your answer sheet.

Questions 141-143 refer to the following notice.

# Visitors during open house

There will be visitors coming here from all over the nation during the open house session in early fall. We ----- more than 20 students as well as their family members.

- 141 (A) welcomed
  - (B) were welcoming
  - (C) is welcomed
  - (D) will welcome

Although only12 students were originally scheduled to visit, 8 more students were ----- after

- 142 (A) postponed
  - (B) added
  - (C) eliminated
  - (D) discarded

the deadline.

The open house will be held ----- the weather. Since most of the events will be held inside the

- 143 (A) regardless of
  - (B) whichever
  - (C) according to
  - (D) because of

main building, the weather shouldn't affect the open house in any way. Please be responsible for each of your assigned tasks, and let's make this open house the best ever.

Questions 144-146 refer to the following memo.

From: Daniel Drake

To: Peter John

We greatly appreciate your ----- in our band. We have been performing locally for a long time,

- 144 (A) disguise
  - (B) interest
  - (C) opinion
  - (D) part

but we never had an opportunity to be played on the air.

Although it is merely a ----- offer at this stage, it really means a lot to us that we might be able

- 145 (A) sure
  - (B) clear
  - (C) tentative
  - (D) tight

to get a shot to be on TV.

As an expression of our gratefulness, please note that dinner for the entire staff on the recording night ----- by our band members.

- 146 (A) covered
  - (B) was covered
  - (C) have been covered
  - (D) will be covered

Thank you again for your interest and contribution to this band.

Sincerely,

**Daniel Drake** 

### Questions 147-149 refer to the following article.

Cape Town, South Africa — Cape Town, South Africa will be holding its annual diving contest on the 23rd of October. The contest ----- three different groups and a tournament of six final

- 147 (A) was featured
  - (B) will feature
  - (C) have been featuring
  - (D) was featuring

performers.

The contest will have an opening ----- by the previous year's winner, Michael Chase. In order

- **148** (A) show
  - (B) debate
  - (C) interview
  - (D) speech

to keep the contest going as smoothly as possible, there won't be any other events at the opening ceremony.

The contest is expected to be very intense since ----- one of the performers is a highly

- 149 (A) single
  - (B) every
  - (C) most
  - (D) much

qualified diver.

Questions 150-152 refer to the following email.

To: zart@hotmail.com

From: jbarbarich@gmail.com

Dear Mr. Zart,

I'm sorry to inform you that I won't be able to make it to the appointment on Friday. Because of the unexpected storm yesterday, most of the equipment at the laboratory was destroyed or damaged. -----, we will have to postpone the meeting until next week.

- 150 (A) Therefore
  - (B) However
  - (C) Nevertheless
  - (D) Still

However, we have an ----- option of sending one of my assistants to you on Thursday. I can

- 151 (A) alternating
  - (B) alternative
  - (C) alternatively
  - (D) alternation

have him listen to your ideas so that we can save some time and have a brief online meeting on Friday.

If you think that this suggestion is -----, please let me know. If not, we can arrange for another

- 152 (A) intelligent
  - (B) extended
  - (C) cheerful
  - (D) reasonable

meeting next week.

Thank you for understanding and sorry for the delay.

Sincerely,

James Barbarich

Head Physics Professor, Lake Community College

#### Part 7

Directions: In this part, you will read a selection of texts, such as magazine and newspaper articles, letters, and advertisements. Each text is followed by several questions. Select the best answer for each question and mark the letter (A), (B), (C), or (D) on your answer sheet.

Questions 153-155 refer to the following advertisement.

# 21st-Century Artwork Now Available

A display of modernized artwork portraying the reality of today's globalization. Artwork throughout the world will be exhibited at this unique gallery.

> Boston Cultural Center 700 Commonwealth Avenue Dexter Park Gallery June 29 - August 30

Exhibition sponsored by the Massachusetts Museum of Modern Art and the Boston Cultural Center.

There will be a brief address by the curator and professor at the Art Institute of Technology, Benjamin Warren, at 6:00 P.M. on June 29.

- **153** What is the purpose of this advertisement?
  - (A) New job opportunities for modern artists
  - (B) An opportunity for part-time employees to work at a gallery
  - (C) Construction of a new gallery at the Boston Cultural Center
  - (D) An art show advertisement
- 154 When will the exhibition close?
  - (A) June 21
  - (B) June 29
  - (C) August 30
  - (D) August 31

155 What is true about Benjamin Warren?

- (A) He is showing his collection of art at the exhibit.
- (B) He is the owner of the Boston Cultural Center.
- (C) He is in charge of the exhibition.
- (D) He is planning to financially support the exhibition.

Questions 156-157 refer to the following promotion.

Park's Electronics

44 East 71st Street
New York City, NY
Clearance Sale
Enjoy a 70% discount on
Refrigerators
Microwave Ovens
Plasma Televisions
The sale will only last from July 20th to July 26th.
Make sure to take advantage of this great sale.

Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Monday through Sunday

For additional information, feel free to contact us.
Contact information: Call us at 617-308-8282,
or visit our website at www.electromega.com.

- **156** What is the primary purpose of the store's drastic sale?
  - (A) To help eradicate poverty in the region
  - (B) To promote the opening of a store to nearby residents
  - (C) To relocate its store
  - (D) To clear inventory

- **157** What will happen on July 26th?
  - (A) The store will begin a promotion.
  - (B) The store will close down.
  - (C) The sale will end.
  - (D) People can start buying electronics at affordable prices.

# Become a Specialist in Sports Management

Purpose: Provide Opportunities in Sports Management Time: 12 p.m.-5 p.m., July 4 Location: GBK Fitness Center, Commonwealth Avenue

Sports management professionals have worthwhile, pleasant, and prospective careers. In addition, they are respected within the community. If you are passionate and a person of vision, I strongly recommend that you attend the information session. The session will provide you with a chance to acquire more information regarding sports management and the infinite possibilities open to you in the industry.

At the session, professional managers from diverse fields in sports will be available to talk to you about their job. Players from all of these sports will also be at the event. In addition, professors from Babston University and Sports College will be on sight to assist you with planning a career in the sports management field.

We sincerely look forward to seeing you!

- **158** What is the purpose of the promotion?
  - (A) To welcome freshmen majoring in sports management
  - (B) To guide students to become professional athletes
  - (C) To present opportunities in sports management
  - (D) To discuss current issues about athletes

- **159** What is NOT mentioned in the promotion?
  - (A) The date of the information session
  - (B) The participants
  - (C) The requirements of the participants
  - (D) The purpose of the event

# **EcoHeating Residential Bill**

Service Provided to: Samuel Kettenhofen

575 Bay State Road, Room #401

New York, NY

021723

Service Account: #2108151005826

Service Period:

June 1 to June 30 Payment Due: July 15

# Total Heating Fuel Consumption

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Gallons	500	360	300	122	149	100

### (past 6 months' measurement)

Consumption of Heating Fuel during June	Rate	Billing Account Calculation	
100 Gallons (G)	\$2.50 pergallon	\$250.00 Tax (5%): \$12.50 Balance Unpaid: \$0.00	
Total Amount Due	\$262.50		

#### Notice

The balance can be dealt with at any bank (refer to the attached for details). A delay of payment may result in additional charges on top of the original billing amount. Late payment will result in an additional 10% of the balance, or \$26.25. If you have any questions regarding the payment or need further services, please contact us at 1-308-284-1265.

- **160** What is the purpose of this bill?
  - (A) To call a customer about the overdue payment
  - (B) To notify a customer of the need to repair the heating system
  - (C) To inform a customer of heating charges for June
  - (D) To discuss the customer's fuel use over the past six months
- **161** During which month did Mr. Kettenhofen use 300 gallons of heating fuel?
  - (A) February
  - (B) March
  - (C) April
  - (D) May

- 162 How much would Mr. Kettenhofen be charged in total if he pays on the 16th of July?
  - (A) \$250
  - (B) \$262.5
  - (C) \$26.25
  - (D) \$288.75

Questions 163-165 refer to the following travel plan.

# 8th Annual Asian Leaders Assembly: Tokyo, Japan

Travel Plan for Seoul Delegates of the Asian Leaders Organization

6:00 a.m.: Meet at Incheon International Airport 9:00 a.m.: Arrive in Tokyo and take a taxi to Hyatt Hotel 1:00 p.m.: Asian Leaders Assembly Greeting Lunch			
9:00 a.m.: All members meet in the hotel lobby 10:00 a.m.: Depart for Tokyo Business Center for the first official assembly 1:00 p.m.: Lunch at the center 4:00 p.m.: Head back to the hotel			
<ul><li>9:00 a.m.: Meet in the lobby and depart for the business center</li><li>1:30 p.m.: The second offical assembly ends</li><li>2:00 p.m.: Shuttle back to the hotel</li><li>6:00 p.m.: Asian Leaders Assembly evening gathering and dinner at the hotel</li></ul>			
Tokyo Tour			
8:00 a.m.: Meet at the hotel's 4th floor lounge for breakfast 9:30 a.m.: Tokyo tour with a guide (not compulsory) *You may spend the morning and afternoon as you wish. *No evening plans			
7:00 a.m.: Attend the closing ceremony of the assembly in the breakfast loung 11:00 a.m.: Meet at the hotel front desk *You will probably not have much time in the morning, so please pack your bags the night before. Our flight departs back to Seoul at 2:00 p.m., so please the lobby no later than 11:00 a.m.			

- **163** What will the Seoul delegates do after they arrive at the hotel on the first day?
  - (A) Prepare some conference materials
  - (B) Meet some prominent Asian Leaders
  - (C) Attend a closing ceremony
  - (D) Take part in a lunch event.
- **164** What can delegates do on the 7th of July?
  - (A) Take a mandatory tour
  - (B) Have lunch meeting in the lounge
  - (C) Take an optional tour of Tokyo
  - (D) Attend the second official assembly meeting

- **165** What are the delegates encouraged to do on the evening before the departure day?
  - (A) Clean their rooms
  - (B) Attend an official assembly
  - (C) Pack their bags
  - (D) Be at the front desk no later than 11:00

# Questions 166-169 refer to the following e-mail.

From: internetgeneration@media.com

To: johngomel@hotlink.com Date: Tuesday, July 6

Subject: Technical error now being restored

Dear Mr. Gomel,

Thank you for your e-mail. Our technicians have thoroughly examined the wireless Internet service error that you reported last night. First of all, we would like to sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this systematic error has caused you. We would also like to let you know that we are doing our very best to settle the issue. Our after-sales service representative is scheduled to call you this afternoon to arrange a time that best fits your schedule to restore the service.

We are making every attempt to ensure that you are fully satisfied by the services provided by our company. Thus, Internet Generation would like to compensate you for the trouble caused last night. The head of the wireless Internet service department has agreed to provide you with a month's use of Internet free of charge.

You have our word that we will continue to be the best service provider and hope that you remain a loyal customer.

Feel free to contact us for service matters or questions via this e-mail address or at 617-308-1882.

Regards,

Fabio Agbavwe

- **166** What is the purpose of the e-mail?
  - (A) To remind the customer of an overdue payment
  - (B) To provide a free new service
  - (C) To express regret and make amends for the problem caused
  - (D) To advertise a new wireless Internet service
- **167** When did Mr. Gomel report the service error?
  - (A) July 4th
  - (B) July 5th
  - (C) July 6th
  - (D) July 7th

168 What did the head of the wireless Internet service department offer to make up for the problem caused?

- (A) Provide two months of free Internet service
- (B) Repair the problem before September
- (C) Grant free Internet service for a month
- (D) Install a new software program for free
- 169 What can be inferred about Mr. Gomel?
  - (A) He will receive a phone call from a service representative.
  - (B) His Internet service is fully restored.
  - (C) He is going to switch Internet providers.
  - (D) He is frustrated by the service error.

Attention: Marketing staff

As part of the company's efforts to reflect the needs of the local community more efficiently, the chief of the marketing department emphasized the necessity to launch a customer satisfaction survey/research team. Members of the team are required to report in detail what customers think of our products and what should be done to fulfill their expectations. We are certain that this extensive research will provide a solid foundation for better products and will ultimately lead to greater sales.

We will be recruiting 18 volunteers for this project from Monday to Friday next week during regular business hours. The survey will be conducted on weekends from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. starting next weekend and will go on until the last weekend of this month. In order to overcome time constraints, we are planning to split the team into 6 groups, with the same number of members in each group. Each group will be sent to different commercial areas. Keep in mind that you only have three weekends to carry out this extensive survey, so use the time wisely and be ready to digest the tremendous amount of information you gather. I recommend that you work for three hours each time you are out and use the last hour to allow your group to organize the data collected. Considering the characteristics of this project, we are looking for people who are polite, outgoing, and hardworking.

Participants in the research project will be compensated for their work on weekends. At the end of this project, the board of directors and I will be selecting the best survey group and giving them a bonus on top of the regular extra payment. The bonus includes a free airline ticket to Madrid, Spain and 5 nights at the fivestar OakTree Hotel!

If you believe you are the right person for this project, do NOT hesitate to apply or contact me at j.parker@mardept.com.

- **170** What is NOT mentioned about the survey project?
  - (A) All employees must contribute to the project.
  - (B) It will be held on weekends.
  - (C) There will be more than one group.
  - (D) The best group will be rewarded.
- 171 When will the survey start?
  - (A) Friday at 11 AM
  - (B) Saturday at 11 AM
  - (C) Saturday at 3 PM
  - (D) Sunday at 3 PM

**172** How many members are expected to be in each group?

- (A) 3
- (B) 5
- (C) 11
- (D) 18
- 173 What is true about the notice?
  - (A) Every group will be sent to the same commercial district.
  - (B) People will spend only three hours a day on the project.
  - (C) New employees will be hired for the project.
  - (D) Those interested should send Mr. Parker an e-mail.

# NEW SCHEME TO USE LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (a.k.a. LPG)

It is projected that the world will suffer from a fuel shortage after oil prices once again skyrocketed recently due to the outbreak of the civil war in the Middle East. People are being encouraged to use more LPG as a temporary alternative energy source for automobiles until eco-friendly technology is developed.

New LPG stations are now opening all around the United States for automobiles. The average five-person vehicle which runs on LPG consumes 45kg of LPG to fill up the tank, which costs about \$40.00. In contrast, the average gas-consuming vehicle needs 60L (around 51.5kg), which costs about \$85. In addition, the conversion process of solid fuel into liquefied form is much simpler than that of converting crude oil into usable form. Consequently, the use of LPG is more economical.

However, critics of LPG, mostly the neighbors of the newly built stations and those engaged in the import of gas, oppose its use. They are concerned with the safety of their neighborhoods as well as a decrease in land value. Furthermore, critics argue that it is a misuse of public money to build new LPG stations since LPG is merely a temporary alternative energy source.

Still, recent surveys show that the majority of people believe that the use of LPG will certainly help the country.

- **174** What is the subject of this article?
  - (A) Emphasizing the importance of natural resources
  - (B) Introducing a new energy source
  - (C) Disapproving of LPG as an temporary alternative energy source
  - (D) Utilizing LPG as an alternative energy source
- **175** What is NOT a reason for opposing the use of LPG?
  - (A) It will decrease the value of land.
  - (B) It is a less expensive alternative energy source than gas.
  - (C) It is dangerous for neighbors living around LPG stations.
  - (D) It is a misuse of taxes to increase the number of LPG stations.

- **176** Why does the majority of the population support the use of LPG?
  - (A) It will reduce contamination.
  - (B) It is simpler to convert solid fuel into liquefied form.
  - (C) It will encourage people to use public transportation.
  - (D) It will ultimately help the country.

# Questions 177-180 refer to the following announcement.

Attention: All department heads

From: Chase Bank Human Resources Department Content: Relieving the company's financial burden

Due to the financial crisis that hit our economy, our company has decided to drastically cut the human resources budget. Consequently, as the head of the human resources department, I bear the distressing duty of informing you how the unfortunate circumstances will affect Chase Bank.

At this morning's urgent conference, the chief executive officer and board of directors reached a unanimous agreement to lay off employees to cope with this financial challenge. As of tomorrow, all part-time workers will be let go of. Furthermore, 30% of full-time staff from every department will be temporarily let go of.

It is up to the head of each department to determine who will be laid off. Each department head needs to state clear and objective reasons for the dismissal of each employee. When the list is finalized, please forward it to me so that I can begin reviewing each staff member's performance level and come to a final decision.

Please be advised that the list must be forwarded to me by the 10th of July. The human resources department is planning to notify employees of their dismissal on the 14th.

If there is anything I can do to help you, please let me know.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Jacques Hariri

Director, Human Resources Department

- **177** What is the purpose of this announcement?
  - (A) To notify all part-time workers they be dismissed as of tomorrow
  - (B) To have more part-time workers replace full-time employees
  - (C) To inform the heads of each department about a staff dismissal plan
  - (D) To notify employees about the company's new strategy to enter a new market
- **178** What is the company's plan to deal with the current economic condition?
  - (A) They will call an emergency meeting.
  - (B) The head of each department will be fired.
  - (C) They will reduce the number of full-time and part-time employees.
  - (D) They will maintain the status quo for the immediate future.

- **179** What is the layoff procedure?
  - (A) The board of directors and chief executive officer will decide who to let go of.
  - (B) The head of human resources will decide solely who is to be fired.
  - (C) The company will ask employees to voluntarily resign.
  - (D) Department heads will make a list and submit it to Jacques Hariri.
- **180** What can be inferred about Jacques Hariri?
  - (A) He is in the investment department at Chase Bank.
  - (B) He will resign from his position.
  - (C) He is unsure how to move forward.
  - (D) He is upset about carrying out this action.

Questions 181-185 refer to the following magazine column and letter.

# Healthy Living presents...

# Eye Shadows for Summer: Compared & Analyzed! Analyzed! Analyzed of the state of the

As our special feature this month, Healthy Living has done a comparison of the latest eye shadows to help you make the perfect choice for summer vacation. We invited eight makeup artists to try on the top four best-selling brands and evaluate them in four areas. Our readers will greatly benefit from the following article when choosing an eye shadow for this summer.

Brand	Texture	Durability	Brightness	Main Ingredients
NUV cosmetics	cream	lasts for 6 hours	strong/shimmer added	octyldodecanol, glitters, corn starch
Desiree	powder	lasts for 8 hours/ waterproof	medium	octyldodecanol, mineral powder
Belle&Chic powder		lasts for 12 hours	medium	mineral powder, natural die
Marina Makeup	cream	lasts for 5 hours	very strong/ shimmer added	ethylparaben, aloe gel, ginkgo leaf extract

# Letters to the Editor

# Dear Editor,

For a dermatologist like me, your magazine has always been a good reference for the latest makeup products. I usually try to remember the safe products introduced in your magazine and recommend them to my teenage patients.

As for last month's column on the comparison of summer eye shadows, I cannot but express concern about certain products, as this magazine is widely read by teenagers. I would like to offer some advice on the analyzed brands. During a hot and humid summer, it is best to use powder-type eye shadows to prevent it from coming off. Cream-type eye shadows are more likely to come off when one sweats. Also, select eye shadows with no chemical ingredients such as shimmer as they can get into your eyes. This can cause itchiness or even infect your eyes. It is never too early to buy good makeup products. Teenagers and adults alike should make informed decisions this summer to keep their eyes healthy.

Martha Jones

- **181** What is the purpose of the article in the magazine?
  - (A) To advertise a certain brand
  - (B) To present a comparison of different cosmetic brands
  - (C) To analyze what eye shadows are made of
  - (D) To find out the latest fashion trends
- **182** What characteristics do Belle&Chic and Desiree have in common?
  - (A) Durability and texture
  - (B) Brightness and ingredients
  - (C) Texture and brightness
  - (D) Durability and brightness
- **183** What product would Dr. Jones probably recommend to her patients?
  - (A) Belle&Chic
  - (B) Desiree
  - (C) Marina Makeup
  - (D) NUV cosmetics

**184** In the letter, the word "recommend" in paragraph 1, line 3 is closest in meaning to

- (A) highlight
- (B) imply
- (C) advise
- (D) memorize
- 185 What is true about the letter?
  - (A) Dr. Jones is a new subscriber to the magazine.
  - (B) The magazine is widely read by adults.
  - (C) Cream-type eye shadows are not affected by sweat.
  - (D) Some of the products have harmful chemicals.

Questions 186-190 refer to the following classified ad and e-mail.

Looking for a MATH TEACHER. Wilson Academy is looking to hire a new math teacher who is comfortable working with students aged 13-18. A university degree in mathematics and at least two years of teaching experience are required for this position. Recommendation letters are welcomed. Computer-related certificates are also necessary for the position to carry out basic administrative work. Send in your resume and relevant documents by September 27 to Josephine Wilson (director), Wilson Academy, 502 Queensway St., Kingston, WH0489-14 or contact us at JWacademy regi@bravonet.com if you have any questions.

From: Julia Momson To: Josephine Wilson Subject: Your job ad

Dear Ms. Wilson,

I am writing in regard to your job advertisement for a math teacher published in the September 14 issue of the Kingston Gazette. I am confident that I am the right person for the position as I have a bachelor's degree in Mathematics Education. I also taught at the Vortex Academy for over three years. I left my previous job at the academy because I had to give birth and now that my baby-related issues are all settled, I am ready to start working in October. More details about my career are available in the attached resume.

Please feel free to contact me for additional information. You can reach me anytime before 9:00 P.M. at (924) 572-3816. I would be happy to give a trial class upon request. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Julia Momson

- **186** What is Josephine Wilson's job?
  - (A) She manages an academy.
  - (B) She teaches math.
  - (C) She takes care of babies.
  - (D) She offers computer-related courses.
- 187 What is NOT listed as a prerequisite for the position?
  - (A) A resume and supporting documents
  - (B) A university degree in the field
  - (C) A recommendation letter from a professor
  - (D) Job-related experience
- **188** What are interested individuals asked to do?
  - (A) Call Josephine Wilson
  - (B) Submit the required documents
  - (C) Visit Wilson Academy
  - (D) Participate in a telephone interview

- **189** Why does Wilson Academy demand a computer-related certificate for the position?
  - (A) For making a website
  - (B) For publishing a book
  - (C) For carrying out administrative work

- (D) For creating computer programs
- 190 What is NOT true about Julia?
  - (A) She studied education at college.
  - (B) She is currently working as a teacher.
  - (C) She has three years of teaching experience.
  - (D) She is a mother.

# Congratulations to Black Creek's landmark on her 70th birthday! Celebrating St. Louis Church's historic 70th anniversary

Flowers bloom and children cheer for the upcoming anniversary of St. Louis Church on April 23. Church members are hosting a week-long festival to celebrate the 70th anniversary and thank the Black Creek community for their support. We have planned some fun programs and souvenirs throughout the week for the whole town to enjoy. Everyone is invited to our catered party, which will take place at the end of the festival, on April 23. Please come and enjoy!

The week-long schedule for the St. Louis Festival includes:

Monday afternoon - Free snack stands offering cookies, pretzels, and hot dogs

Tuesday afternoon - Free animal balloons and face painting for children

Wednesday evening - Choir singing at 7:00 P.M.

Thursday evening - Souvenir shop opens at the church

Friday evening - 70th anniversary party starting at 6:00 P.M.

A list of souvenirs is provided here for you to order in advance. Profits from souvenir sales will be donated to our summer camp for children.

Pens - \$1/each

Notebooks, memo pads - \$3/each

T-shirts - \$5/each

Mug cups and plates - \$4/each

If you have any questions regarding the festival, please contact Mr. Gore, St. Louis staff, at JoeGore@churchppl.com.

To: Joe Gore <JoeGore@churchppl.com>

From: Joey's Catering Service < JCS\_cater4u@caterers.net>

Subject: About St. Louis Church's 70th anniversary party

Date: April 13

Dear Joe,

Thank you for choosing Joey's Catering Service to serve your church at its 70th anniversary party. We, as members of the community, are also very excited about the St. Louis Festival. We would like to go over a few things before the party so that it can run smoothly.

We are sorry to inform you that the vegetarian menu you have ordered is currently unavailable, as vegetable production in our region has been scarce during the recent drought. Please be sure to note this to your vegetarian guests in advance.

Also, as a member of the Black Creek community, we would like to offer you a complimentary decoration service for your party. The decorations will include Christian-themed flower arrangements, candles, and balloons. Please let us know if you would like this service or not.

Congratulations once again!

Sincerely,

Joey Cruz

- 191 What is the advertisement about?
  - (A) The anniversary of a town church
  - (B) A private party
  - (C) A local music festival
  - (D) A school talent show
- **192** What is NOT a part of the festival?
  - (A) A live music concert in the evening
  - (B) Free cookies, pretzels, and hot dogs
  - (C) A party commemorating the anniversary
  - (D) An opportunity to buy items at a discounted price
- 193 Why will a vegetarian option NOT be offered at the party?
  - (A) Guests did not want it.
  - (B) The church does not allow vegetables.
  - (C) There is a shortage of vegetables.
  - (D) A vegetarian option is too expensive.

- 194 Who is Joe Gore?
  - (A) A staff member at St. Louis Church
  - (B) The owner of Joey Catering Services
  - (C) St. Louis Church's reverend
  - (D) A business owner in Black Creek
- 195 What is implied about Joey Cruz?
  - (A) He attends St. Louis church services.
  - (B) He is a Black Creek resident.
  - (C) He started a business recently.
  - (D) He loves children.

### Questions 196-200 refer to the following e-mail and note.

To: Rachel Dunn <dunnatresearch@howardpharmaceutics.com> From: Harry Shields <a href="harryshields23@howardpharmaceutics.com">harryshields23@howardpharmaceutics.com</a>

Subject: Seminar venue Date: Thursday, February 18

Hello.

I am sorry for replying this late, but I was very busy finishing off preparations for the upcoming seminar. I have confirmed arrangements with quest speakers and finished handing out pamphlets and invitations to our institute's 3rd annual seminar on Asian medical botany. I just heard from Professor Hartman that you started booking hotel rooms and meal services for the quest speakers. I also received your report on one of the topics that will be discussed at the seminar, which was very well written. Keep up the good work!

However, there is a problem regarding the venue for the seminar. I chose Hotel Vandecar as our venue because the conference rooms they have are amazing. The Floyd Room has high-end interior design, sufficient capacity and a projector that is perfect for presentations. The hotel is on Letson Street and close to Remick Airport, which would be convenient for participants coming from foreign countries. I was hoping that we could book this room, but unfortunately it's already been reserved for a wedding ceremony on the day of our seminar. We now need to look for another location, but since I will be away on a business trip for the next three days, I was wondering if you could help search for an alternative venue.

I will be working on the opening speech after coming back from the trip. I must finish it before the seminar. Please visit me in my office right across the street from Hotel Vandecar next week for a meeting. Thanks.

# Howard Institute of Pharmaceutics

Senior Researcher Rachel Dunn

February 19

Hello, Mr. Shields.

Thank you for the arrangements you have made for the event. Other than the venue issue, everything so far looks to be going smoothly. I am still looking for a place for the seminar around Remick Airport. Right now, there are a few suitable places, but I am still thinking about which one to reserve. I will visit your office located on Letson Street to discuss this matter this coming Monday.

Regards,

Rachel

- **196** Why did Mr. Shields send an e-mail to Ms. Dunn?
  - (A) To propose a plan for constructing a building
  - (B) To ask for her assistance in seeking a location
  - (C) To report the results of the seminar
  - (D) To complain about the venue
- **197** What is NOT a characteristic of the Floyd Room?
  - (A) Insufficient space
  - (B) Excellent presentation tools
  - (C) Close to public transportation
  - (D) High-end interior design
- 198 Where is Mr. Shields's office located?
  - (A) Next to the Howard Institute of Pharmaceutics
  - (B) On Letson Street
  - (C) Inside Remick Airport
  - (D) At the Hotel Vandecar

199 In the e-mail, the word "confirmed" in paragraph 1, line 2 is closest in meaning to

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- (A) affirmed
- (B) allocated
- (C) amended
- (D) adjudicated
- 200 When will Rachel meet with Mr. Shields?
  - (A) February 20
  - (B) February 21
  - (C) February 22
  - (D) February 23