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| **CHƯƠNG 1: CÁC LOẠI CÂU HỎI TRONG PART 7** |

**I. CÂU HỎI TỔNG QUAN (Overview Questions)**

**1.** Câu hỏi tổng quan kiểm tra thí sinh về khả năng hiểu ý chính hoặc mục đích của bài văn. Ý chính hoặc mục đích của bài đọc thường được tìm thấy ngay đoạn đầu, và những ý chi tiết sẽ nằm ngay sau đó.

**2.** Những dạng câu hỏi thường gặp và hướng dẫn làm bài

**a.** Những dạng câu hỏi thường gặp

\*Câu hỏi ý chính

What is the main topic of the notice?

What does the article mainly discuss?

What is the information about?

\*Câu hỏi mục đích

What is the purpose of the letter?

What is the main purpose of this notice?

Why was this memo written?

Why does Ms. Carter write this letter?

**b.** Hướng dẫn làm bài

Để trả lời các câu hỏi tổng quan một cách chính xác, bạn cần nắm rõ nội dung chính của bài đọc. Hầu hết các bài đọc thường bắt đầu bằng câu chủ đề nêu ra ý chính của bài. Do đó, bạn nên đọc các câu đầu bài đọc cẩn thận. Đôi khi câu chủ đề có thể nằm giữa hay thậm chí là cuối bài đọc. Trong trường hợp đó, bạn phải đọc lướt bài đọc để tìm điểm chính.

Example 01 (Question 159, YBM Actual Test)

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| I just wanted to follow up on our phone conversation from the 27th, and confirm that I will come to your residence on Saturday, December 12th with shipping boxes and packing materials. Depending on traffic, I expect to arrive at your home at 11 in the morning. |

Q: What is one purpose of the e-mail?

**(A) To confirm an appointment**

(B) To apologize for shipping damage

(C) To request an extension on a deadline

(D) To describe the contents of a shipment

Example 02 (Question 186, Test 01, Economy 03)

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| I am writing to you to apologize for the inconvenience we had on the telephone just before. As you noticed, the conference call switch on my phone was acting up and several outside conversations interrupted us. I'm afraid that we may have lost or miscommunicated some important information at the end of conversation. |

Q: What is the purpose of the e-mail?

(A) To set up a conference call   
(B) To explain why his fax didn't arrive  
**(C) To apologize for an inconvenience**   
(D) To ask the recipient to buy some stocks

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Example 03 (Question 196, Test 06, Economy 03)

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| Every fall, an inspector from the municipal safety department conducts a routine inspection of the apartment buildings within the city limits. My office was contacted recently by the municipal safety department to inform my staff and me that the inspector, Rudy Travis, will arrive on Thursday, October 14 to conduct the safety inspection. |

Q: What is the purpose of the memorandum?

(A) To conduct a survey of the apartment superintendents  
(B) To offer residents a discount on next month’s rent  
**(C) To inform the occupants of upcoming inspections**  
(D) To announce renovations of the building

**3. Reading Practice:**

Read the following passages and choose the best answer to each question given.

Passage 01 (Question 188, Test 04, Economy 03)

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| I am writing to apply for your restaurant management internship. I am a business student at Adelaide University intending to pursue a career in the hospitality industry. I also have two years of work experience in customer relations in the food and beverage industry. |

Q: Why was the letter written?

(A) To participate in a conference   
(B) To ask for an application form  
(C) To propose a marketing strategy   
**(D) To express an interest in the program**

Passage 02 (Question 176, Test 03, Economy 03)

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| I'm afraid that I will be unable to keep our appointment for next Thursday due to some unforeseen business. I realize this meeting was important to both of us, but we're having some trouble with a major parts supplier. I have to fly over to Bangkok and take care of this or our manufacturing operation will grind to a halt. |

Q: What is the purpose of this e-mail?

(A) To turn down an application

**(B) To cancel a meeting**

(C) To renew a contract

(D) To ask for a confirmation

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Passage 03 (Question 153, Test 05, Economy 03)

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| We are writing to acknowledge our receipt of your check for $29.95. Within one week, you will receive your complimentary copy of the current issue of *Fly RC* and 12 issues will be mailed to your home at only $29.95, which means a huge annual savings off the cover price. This letter may be used as proof of your payment. |

Q: Why has this letter been sent?

(A) To promote a special offer

(B) To renew a magazine subscription  
**(C) To confirm receipt of payment**   
(D) To introduce the details in the issue to a reader

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Passage 04 (Question 181, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| I am writing to complain about the late delivery of the computer set I ordered at the end of April. The customized video display terminals were supposed to be delivered by May 16. I requested to have the order shipped on or before May 10. You assured me that the set would be delivered within 6 days. However, they arrived 3 days late and I faced considerable difficulty with my work due to the delay. |

Q: What is the purpose of the letter?

(A) To ask for express shipping of the monitors  
(B) To request extra service from ComtechPro  
**(C) To express disappointment about an order**  
(D) To ask for a compensation for the delay

Passage 05 (Question 196, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| I just wanted to say thank you for everything you did for the wedding reception last Sunday. The food that you served was just right, and everything your company did was fantastic. The selection, appearance and timing were perfect! My daughter (the bride) truly loved the Asian dish that you served. Do you think you could tell me how to make it so I could show her? Perhaps as a second wedding present for her? |

Q: What is the purpose of the e-mail?

(A) To complaint about the catering

**(B) To compliment the food service**

(C) To inquire about a party

(D) To invite someone to a wedding

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Passage 06 (Question 160, Test 07, Economy 03)

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| We sincerely apologize to you and regret that you had an unpleasant experience at our hotel. I reviewed what happened to you during your check-in with our front desk manager, and found out that there had been some confusion about your reservation. The front desk clerk who handled it was not experienced enough on the job, but this, by no means, excuses the poor service you received. |

Q: Why has this letter been sent?

(A) To confirm a hotel reservation   
(B) To complain about the booking system  
(C) To inquire about accommodations   
**(D) To apologize for poor service**

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Passage 07 (Question 191, Test 05, Economy 03)

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| As director of the overseas sales and marketing department of Holsten Co., I would like to cordially invite you to give a speech at one of our workshops. We are planning to have a workshop at Holsten Co.'s headquarters in Los Angeles on either November 15 or November 28. We would pay you $2,000 to cover your remuneration, travel expenses and accommodations. I would appreciate it if you could notify us of your preference as soon as possible. |

Q: What is the main purpose of the e-mail?

(A) To extend an invitation to an awards ceremony  
(B) To encourage the recipient to register for a seminar  
**(C) To extend an invitation to give a speech**  
(D) To congratulate the recipient on his/her promotion

Passage 08 (Question 170, Test 01, Economy 03)

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| From : Jack Wells, Executive Vice President To : All Employees Date : July 1 Re : Corporate Volunteer Project – Days of Caring  Days of Caring is an exciting opportunity for corporations in Morris County to get acquainted with local health and human services agencies. Our company has participated in the project for ten years now, and I'd like to encourage you to share this valuable experience with other volunteers. |

Q: Why was the memo written?

(A) To organize a new team of volunteers   
(B) To announce a change in an event  
(C) To inform employees of a new policy   
(**D) To persuade employees to take part in an event**

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Passage 09 (Question 155, Test 06, Economy 03)

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| Looking for HR outsourcing services in Honolulu, Hawaii? Talent HR Solutions is the premier PEO services & human resources services company in Honolulu that will manage your firm's daily human resources functions. We will focus on streamlining your business, cutting expenses, so you are able to concentrate on expanding your client base. Your employees will appreciate the enhanced benefits and professional outsourced HR & PEO services in Hawaii. |

Q: What is the purpose of thisadvertisement?

(A) To encourage employees to use a payroll service  
(B) To train business owners on how to focus on their companies  
(C) To give information about the history of the company  
**(D) To advertise an outsourcing service**

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**II. CÂU HỎI THÔNG TIN (Information Questions)**

**1.** Câu hỏi thông tin là dạng câu hỏi phổ biến nhất trong phần đọc-hiểu, loại câu hỏi này hỏi về nội dung cụ thể trong bài đọc và chiếm đến 60 phần trăm số lượng câu hỏi trong Part 7.

**2.** Những dạng câu hỏi thường gặp và hướng dẫn làm bài

**a.** Những dạng câu hỏi thường gặp

When When will Mr. Thompson give his presentation?

Where Where will the conference be held?

Who Who should be contacted for registration?

What What will take place on the first day of the conference?

Why Why does the onwer thank the employee?

How How can memberships be obtained?

**b.** Hướng dẫn làm bài

Đọc câu hỏi và xác định nội dung hỏi và từ khoá của mỗi câu.

VD: Who shoule be contacted for registration?

🡪 Từ hỏi: Who

Từ khoá: contact, registration

Đọc lướt bài đọc rồi xác định và tìm các thông tin liên quan. Đôi khi bạn nên chú ý kĩ bởi vì câu trả lời và thông tin trong bài không giống nhau vì người ta dùng cấu trúc tương đương (paraphrasing).

Example 01 (Question 153, Test 01, Economy 03)

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| With more than 40 teams serving the greater North Carolina area, we guarantee a service call will be made within two days! This year we will also be expanding our services to include laying new turf and cleaning out gutters. |

Q: What does the company guarantee in the ad?

(A) Accuracy in billing   
**(B) Speedy service**  
(C) 24-hour availability   
(D) Cheap prices

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Example 02 (Question 169, Test 01, Economy 03)

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| Everything sounds exciting, right? But, who can afford such a luxurious trip? Surprisingly,  several millionaires have already made reservations for accommodations at the hotel in space. An Indian entrepreneur was ahead of everyone else. |

Q: Who will be the first guest of the space hotel?

(A) An entrepreneur from Mexico   
(B) A company president from America  
**(C) A business owner from India**   
(D) A private investor from Japan

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Example 03 (Question 154, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| If you're seeking a career change but don't know where to start, give Career Planner a call. Our counselors are on call seven days a week to help you make the leap for your dream job. So when you finally decide to make a career change, you will start by taking a qualified career test to assess your desires and abilities. When you first visit our office, you will be given an interest-based career test. This test will quickly and accurately give you insight into the best career for you. |

Q: What happens first when customers visit the Career Planner office?

(A) They will be given advice by phone.  
**(B) Their skills will be evaluated.**  
(C) They will pay for test fees.  
(D) They will listen to a 2-hour lecture.

**3. Reading practice**

Read the following passages and choose the best answer to each question given.

Passage 01 (Question 174, Test 04, Economy 03)

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| A leading medical doctor says that a visit to the hospital in the US is one of the major causes of death. Even by the lowest estimates, hospital errors are the eighth leading cause of death in the U.S. ahead of car crashes, breast cancer, and AIDS. |

Q: Which causes the eighth greatest number of deaths in the US?

(A) AIDS

(B) Breast cancer  
**(C) Hospital mistakes**   
(D) Automobile accidents

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Passage 02 (Question 156, Test 05, Economy 03)

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| If seawater enters the watch, place the watch in a box or plastic bag and immediately take it in for repair. Otherwise, pressure inside the watch will increase, and parts (crystal, crown, buttons, etc.) may come off. |

Q: What should a user do if seawater gets into the watch?

(A) Visit the company website   
**(B) Put the watch into a plastic bag**  
(C) Replace the watch with new one at the dealer  
(D) Call the customer service department

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Passage 03 (Question 178, Test 01, Economy 03)

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| Dear Laura,  I was so sorry to hear that your shop recently closed down. Perhaps there just isn't a large enough market for custom-made shoes in a town of this size. As you know, I have three pairs of shoes that you made for me, and I love them. |

Q: Why did Laura’s business go out of business, according to the writer?

**(A) A lack of suitable customers**   
(B) Her store's poor location downtown  
(C) Laura's failure to create awareness of her store   
(D) Laura's lack of experience in business

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Passage 04 (Question 166, Test 01, Economy 03)

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| The Boston-based construction company says that the space hotel will be the most expensive accommodation in the galaxy, costing $3 million for a three-day stay. During their stay at the luxurious hotel, guests will be able to see the sunrise 15 times a day and use Velcro suits to crawl around their rooms by sticking themselves to the walls. |

Q: How much does it cost to stay at the space hotel?

(A) $2 million per day   
**(B) $3 million for 3 days**  
(C) $4 million for one week   
(D) $12 million for 3 days

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Passage 05 (Question 165, Test 07, Economy 03)

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| We are contacting you today to make you aware that the Technology Security Division of our company will be running an upgrade of our firm's computer security software on May 18 from 6 P.M. to roughly 9 P.M. This will involve total virus and spyware protection and a real-time upgrade of our current antivirus software. |

Q: What will take place from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.?

(A) An upgrade of the company's computer access  
**(B) An improvement of the company's computer safety systems**  
(C) An enhancement of the company's electronic technology  
(D) An installation of new facility maintenance systems

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Passage 06 (Question 161, Test 03, Economy 03)

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| If a fire alarm has been activated, calmly evacuate the building via the nearest emergency exit. An alarm will sound as soon as the emergency exit doors are opened, alerting others in the building to begin evacuation. Do not waste valuable time by gathering your belongings to take with you. Leave all personal belongings at your desk. |

Q: What should people do when they hear an alarm?

**(A) Move to a designated location**   
(B) Collect important documents  
(C) Switch on the emergency lights   
(D) Shut all the doors and windows

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Passage 07 (Question 155, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| Participants should gather at parking space A or B by 7:30 AM. There will be fully-stocked aid stations throughout the course and you will get access to complimentary bike repair services by Obsession Bikes, which guarantees that you will be riding every day, should you have bike tech problems - big or small. |

Q: What service is provided for free?

(A) Light meals and drinks   
(B) The charge for parking  
(C) Transportation to the site   
**(D) Repair of the bikes**

Passage 08 (Question 160, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| I am writing in response to your advertisement which appeared in yesterday's issue of *Newsweek* and I would like to apply for the position of manager at Warsaw, the established and renowned restaurant chain. My interest in Warsaw has grown out of a desire to work for a restaurant that is a leader in Greek cuisine. My research tells me that Warsaw provides some of the best Greek food in the nation. |

Q: Which position is the writer applying for?

(A) Head chef at a Greek restaurant  
(B) General manager of a hotel  
(C) Supervisor of a food manufacturing company  
**(D) Manager of a restaurant chain**

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Passage 09 (Question 167, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| Since I joined, I have been extremely disappointed in the Fitness First's facilities and staff. The locker rooms and swimming pools are poorly maintained and extremely dirty. The Jacuzzi has been out of order for more than a month and repairs on it have not even begun. The Pilates class schedule has been changed several times, without notice, and the instructor never seemed to be fully devoted to the class. |

Q: Why is the writer unhappy with her club membership?

(A) The gym didn't provide enough information initially.  
**(B) The club facilities are poorly managed and maintained.**  
(C) The fee has been increased unexpectedly.  
(D) The receptionist was very rude to her.

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**III. CÂU HỎI NOT / TRUE (NOT / TRUE Questions)**

**1.** Một số câu hỏi hỏi về thông tin nào đúng trong bài đọc, thông tin nào không có trong bài đọc. Câu hỏi NOT (NOT Questions) luôn có từ NOT được in hoa để thí sinh không bị nhầm lẫn khi đọc câu hỏi. Thí sinh thường mất khá nhiều thời gian để trả lời loại câu hỏi này.

**2.** Những dạng câu hỏi thường gặp và hướng dẫn làm bài

**a.** Những dạng câu hỏi thường gặp

[NOT questions] What is NOT a feature of the item?

What is NOT stated in the article?

What is NOT mentioned about the service?

[TRUE questions] What is true about the library cards?

What is mentioned in the articles?

What is mentioned as a feature of the printer?

**b.** Hướng dẫn làm bài

Xác định từ khoá trong mỗi câu hỏi, sau đó đọc lướt nhanh bài văn và tìm kiếm thông tin liên quan để xác định câu trả lời. Đôi khi bạn nên chú ý thật kĩ vì câu trả lời và thông tin trong bài không giống nhau vì người ta dùng cấu trúc tương đương (paraphrasing).

Example 01 (Question 176, Test 01, Economy 03)

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| The class will include easy and delicious recipes for the whole family, kid-friendly dishes and low-fat recipes. Basic nutrition info will be included in all sessions. |

Q: What is NOT included in the class?

(A) Nutrition tips   
(B) Low-fat dishes  
**(C) Dessert preparation**   
(D) Easy recipes for the family

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Example 02 (Question 158, Test 06, Economy 03)

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| Lord Manaus Hotel is about a 15-minute walk from Manaus' main attraction, the famous Opera House, and within easy walking distance of several restaurants and shops. If you wish to take a taxi, they leave from the designated taxi area just outside of the station. Attendees who have already received the conference bag with their name badges can directly proceed to the hotel front desk for check-in. If you have not been given the bag yet, please report to the conference office (Room 320). Please note that all rooms are single accommodation only. |

Q: What is mentioned in the notice?

(A) Everyone should wear a name tag.  
(B) A limousine will be provided upon request.  
**(C) Each person will be provided with a room for one.**  
(D) The hotel is located in the suburb.

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Example 03 (Question 180, Test 05, Economy 03)

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| The filing date is a cutoff date because the right to a patent for an invention lies with the first person to file an application for that invention. Please now wait for your patent application to be processed, which can take up to 18 months. Once you receive the notice of allowance, the patent will be valid for twenty years from the date of originally filing the patent application, provided that maintenance fees are paid after 3, 7 and 11 years. Extensions are possible if an application is submitted three months before the patent expires. The patent will be valid only in the territory applied for. |

Q: What is NOT mentioned about the patent?

(A) The initial applicant has the right to the grant of a patent for an invention.  
(B) There are on-going costs to keep the patent.  
**(C) The duration of validity depends on the product.**  
(D) It is effective only in a specific area

**3. Reading practice:**

Read the following passages and choose the best answer to each question given.

Passage 01 (Question 159, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| In commemoration of the opening of the new branch offices in China, Alamo Car Rentals is offering $10 off daily rates at all the new locations until the end of August. The new offices are located in Beijing, Shanghai, and Hong Kong. In addition to these new rental sites in China, this special offer also applies to some other Asian cities like Tokyo, Seoul, and Bangkok. |

Q: Where is this promotion NOT available?

**(A) Singapore**   
(B) Seoul  
(C) Bangkok   
(D) Beijing

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Passage 02 (Question 156, Test 01, Economy 03)

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| We offer a service that delivers private, non-commercial messages for you every Tuesday in the *Chicago Daily.* Your message is allowed a maximum of 30 words. Be sure to include your telephone number. If there is a possibility that someone other than yourself may answer the phone, include your name with your number. Type or write your responses neatly in order to make your application legible. |

Q: What is mentioned in the form?

(A) You can use a free commercial ad service.  
(B) You have to write more than 30 words.  
(C) You have to include your account number.  
**(D) Your message will be carried on Tuesday.**

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Passage 03 (Question 163, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| Stephen Moyer, the star of the MU soccer team, and jazz singer Anna Paquin announced their engagement in a joint statement yesterday. It will be his first marriage and her second. Paquin, 35, has two children, Billy and Lilac, to whom Moyer, 30, will become stepfather. No date has been set yet for the wedding. Both reportedly have very busy schedules and want to enjoy the engagement experience for a while before heading down the bridal path. |

Q: Which of the following is NOT true?

(A) Paquin is a singer.  
(B) Moyer is a professional soccer player.  
(C) Paquin has been married before.  
**(D) Paquin and Moyer have just got married**

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Passage 04 (Question 164, Test 06, Economy 03)

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| The package includes:  • Round-trip airfare from Chicago to New Zealand  • Three nights accommodation in Auckland  • A luncheon cruise around the impressive Auckland Harbour  • Two nights accommodation on New Zealand's spectacular Coromandel Coast  • All breakfasts  Airport tax and fuel surcharge are not included. |

Q: What is NOT included in the package?

(A) Airfare   
**(B) Dinners**  
(C) Hotels

(D) Breakfasts

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Passage 05 (Question 168, Test 05, Economy 03)

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| After the lunch, we are going to enjoy an entire afternoon of fun-filled activities. Imagine climbing magnificent mountains, hiking through wild flowers, swimming in the crystal-clear waters of Archer Springs, or cycling on cobblestone streets. There will be fun-filled adventures for children as well with a wide range of activities such as berry picking and arts and crafts. So bring the whole family. Let the company show our gratitude to all our valued employees and their loved ones. |

Q: Which of the following activities is NOT mentioned in the notice?

(A) Arts and crafts   
(B) Hiking  
**(C) Archery**   
(D) Swimming

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Passage 06 (Question 154, Test 08, Economy 03)

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| To accomplish these goals, it is necessary for all users of this facility to become familiar with the regulations and observe them. The regulations are applicable to all workers, managers, and visitors.  • Motor vehicles driven on the property should be operated in a safe and courteous manner  at all times.  • Any accident or damage on the property involving a motor vehicle must be reported to  the Security Office immediately, regardless of the extent of damages involved.  • The speed limit on the property is 20 miles per hour.  • All traffic signs must be observed. |

Q: What is NOT included in the traffic rules?

(A) To drive all vehicles safely and courteously   
(B) To comply with the speed limit  
**(C) To report any accident to the police officials**   
(D) To follow every traffic indicator

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Passage 07 (Question 161, Test 01, Economy 03)

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| To qualify for the special promotional offers, travelers must purchase their vacations by August 1, 2009, and begin their trip by October 31, 2009. Prices are per-person based on double occupancy including round-trip airfare. Taxes are not included. Purchases must be made with a valid Versa credit card. Enter promo code LAVC01001. Promotion is valid for flights and hotel bookings for two or more people. Rates and rooms are subject to availability. For full details on the limited-time offer, visit www.priceline.com/vacations. |

Q: Under what condition would the promotion NOT be valid?

(A) The customer departs on October 1.  
**(B) The customer travels alone.**  
(C) The customer pays with a Versa credit card.  
(D) The customer books on July 31.

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Passage 08 (Question 156, Test 08, Economy 03)

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| At Monroe Bank, we take great pride in our employees. We seek to generate an environment that recognizes and rewards hard work and encourages personal and professional development. The continual expansion of our business means increasing employment opportunities at Monroe. When new employees join our team, they are offered valuable experience and expertise that come from collaborating with a talented group of colleagues dedicated to professionalism and quality customer service. |

Q: What is NOT an advantage of working at this bank?

(A) Respect for the staff   
(B) An atmosphere that promotes hard work  
(C) A chance to gain experience   
**(D) A financial aid package**

Passage 09 (Question 161, Test 05, Economy 03)

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| Your Equifax Credit Report™ gives you clear, easy-to-understand advice for each item on your credit report. We make it easy to understand what aspects the lender uses to make a credit decision, helping you get that loan you want. We'll help you monitor your credit for six months and let you know instantly whenever you make a late payment or when someone has accessed your report. Then, only $6.99 per month to continue if you don't cancel within your 30-day free trial. |

Q: What is NOT mentioned about the service?

**(A) It offers a discount on a loan rate.**  
(B) It can be continued for a monthly fee.  
(C) It includes observation of your credit.  
(D) It helps to understand your credit report.

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**IV. CÂU HỎI SUY LUẬN (Inference Questions):**

**1.** Một số ít câu hỏi trong Part 7 là loại câu hỏi suy luận. Các câu trả lời không được đưa ra một cách trực tiếp trong đoạn văn cũng như không được diễn tả bằng cấu trúc tương đương (paraphrasing). Vì vậy, câu hỏi suy luận đòi hỏi thí sinh phải tổng hợp thông tin, tư duy hợp lí để đưa ra câu trả lời chính xác.

**2.** Những dạng câu hỏi thường gặp và hướng dẫn làm bài:

**a.** Những dạng câu hỏi thường gặp:

Where would this information most likely be found?

For whom is the announcement intended?

What does the article imply about the restaurant?

What can be inferred about the workshop?

What is suggested in the letter?

What will Edward most likely do next?

What is indicated about Pacific Airline?

**b.** Hướng dẫn làm bài:

Câu trả lời cho câu hỏi suy luận thì không được nêu ra một cách trực tiếp trong bài đọc. Do đó bạn phải dịch để hiểu nội dung và đưa ra suy luận dựa trên thông tin sẵn có bằng cách nhìn vào các gợi ý hoặc từ khoá ở cả câu hỏi và câu trả lời.

Example 01 (Question 175, Test 07, ETS 1000)

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| Chandran’s book is a must-read for anyone wishing to start a business. Based on his own experience, Chandran offers expert guidance on topics such as creating a business plan, identifying markets, and raising capital. He also gives readers a list of common mistakes to avoid in the first five years. Paperback. 210 pages. |

Q: What is suggested about Mr. Chandran?

(A) He has retired from corporate life.

(B) He has worked with Mr. Silva and Ms. Morton.

**(C) He has experience of setting up a business.**

(D) He has published several books worldwide.

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Example 02 (Question 156, Test 03, Economy 03)

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| We have been in business since 2000 providing safe and professional service. All of our drivers are professionally trained chauffeurs. They hold commercial licenses and have passed our own rigorous driver training courses. Also, we have a fleet of luxury limousine sedans that will seat anywhere from six to 20 people. |

Q: What can be inferred about the drivers?

(A) They appear in commercials.  
(B) They own the sedans they drive.  
(C) They can be selected upon the customer's request.  
**(D) They have been trained by the company.**

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Example 03 (Question 155, Test 04, Economy 03)

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| **Bass Pro Shop**  **FISHING, HUNTING, OUTDOOR GEAR**  **FREE CATALOG**  RECEIVE FREE CATALOGS AND SHOP OUR 2010 OUTDOOR SUPPLIES!  THE OLDEST MAIL ORDER COMPANY IN THE USA!  HIGH-QUALITY MERCHANDISE AT AFFORDABLE PRICES!  Your merchandise should arrive within 3-4 business days. Order your 238-page  full-color catalog, which will be the ultimate shopping guide for you. For faster  service, please fill out the form below, then fax to: 1-800-227-7776  -------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  ADDRESS:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

Q: Who is most likely to show interest in this ad?

(A) Music fans   
**(B) Outdoor lovers**  
(C) Equipment manufacturers   
(D) World travelers

**3. Reading practice:**

Read the following passages and choose the best answer to each question given.

Passage 01 (Question 153, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| If you're seeking a career change but don't know where to start, give Career Planner a call. Our counselors are on call seven days a week to help you make the leap for your dream job. So when you finally decide to make a career change, you will start by taking a qualified career test to assess your desires and abilities. |

Q: Who is this ad targeted at?

(A) Housewives

(B) Vocational counselors  
**(C) Mid-career employees**   
(D) New graduates

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Passage 02 (Question 171, Test 03, Economy 03)

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| Although the findings are promising, it is too early to generalize the finding as this is just a preliminary study and it will take some time to determine that eating prune sauce can actually fight cancer. The researchers will apply for a federal government grant that will allow them to continue the study with more subjects. |

Q: What will the researchers do next?

(A) Try other types of sauces

(B) Keep watching the original group of men  
(C) Publish their findings   
**(D) Ask the government for more money**

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Passage 03 (Question 174, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| IntersiI Corp., manufacturer of high-performance wireless networking solutions, announced today that it will relocate its corporate headquarters from Irvine, Calif. to Milpitas, effective December 1, 2010. The company plans to accommodate the expanding operation with the relocation of the finance, human resources, IT and sales operations facilities.  Intersil Corp. cited Milpitas' skilled work force, good access to an international airport, and the generous tax incentives offered by the state government and the cost-effective environment as the main reasons for choosing the city for its new head office. |

Q: What is indicated about Intersil Corp.?

(A) The current headquarters is in Milpitas.  
**(B) Its business is expanding.**  
(C) It has a cost-effective environment.  
(D) It has highly skilled workers.

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Passage 04 (Question 174, Test 01, Economy 03)

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| Cooking 101  This class has been created with considerable thought and care based on the requests of our local residents, who want to build basic skills that will help them become confident beginning cooks. These skill and knowledge classes will teach students how to read and follow recipes, and explain culinary terminology. If you're tired of living on fast food, then this class is for you.  Quick and Easy Meals  Do you struggle to make healthy meals for you and your family because you simply can't find the time? Would you like to eat healthier, but you don't really know that many quick and easy meal options? Do you or your family have the impression that healthy meals are going to be bland and tasteless? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, you're definitely going to want to be in this class. |

Q: Who are these classes designed for?

(A) High school students

(B) New restaurant employees  
**(C) Average people who don't cook**   
(D) Immigrants

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Passage 05 (Question 154, Test 06, Economy 03)

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| Dear Ms. Woodward,  Thank you for your letter dated May 7 about a possible alliance between our two companies.  We are quite excited at the proposal of teaming up on a project. We would like to discuss it with you further and welcome you to visit our office in Sao Paolo to discuss the matter in detail. Any time after May 30 will be fine with us.  One thing that needs to be addressed before we move forward is the price of the products you will provide. One of the priorities of our business has been marketing quality refrigerators at reasonable prices. If we can reach an acceptable price range, we would like to go ahead and sign a contract with you immediately. Please send us your ideas regarding this issue so that we can examine them prior to the meeting.  Sincerely yours, |

Q: What will the two companies probably talk about next?

(A) Who will be in charge of the project   
(B) When to put the new products on the market  
**(C) How much the products will cost**   
(D) What modification should be made in the contract

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Passage 06 (Question 174, Test 03, Economy 03)

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| Glaxo, the corporation that ranks the performance of companies in the U.K, is now evaluating the top international companies round the world in what is called the Glaxo Global 1,000 group.  In an attempt to better analyze the reasons for success, Glaxo looked at various statistics and results of their multidimensional rating system that is based on sales, market value, profits and assets. They then regrouped these 1,000 companies by industry and analyzed what was happening to each of them in terms of profits earned, long- and short-term return on equity, the dividends paid, sales growth and the market price of the company's stock.  Of the 1,000 companies, fewer than 100 passed in all categories. One global high performer was the Japanese company Nippon Telegraph & Telephone. This company showed a 49% growth in profits and a 46% total return in the past year. |

Q: What is suggested about "1,000" in the article?

(A) The factors considered for standards  
**(B) The number of companies involved**  
(C) The number of employees involved  
(D) The percent of growth expected

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Passage 07 (Question 154, Test 04, Economy 03)

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| Hi, Alicia,  I have some incredible news regarding the "Your Money Matters" lecture series. Although it was quite hard to find someone available to take time off for us, I was finally able to convince one of the world's most distinguished financial experts, Dr. Irv Lowenberg, to deliver a talk about foreign investment in the so-called BRIC countries: Brazil, Russia, India and China. His preferred lecture dates and times are as follows:  June 9 at 7 P.M. or June 23 at 6:30 P.M.  As he has a very tight schedule at the University of Toronto, our earliest response would be most appreciated by him. Therefore I suggest that we arrange a brief meeting of the committee members as soon as possible in order to finalize the arrangements. Please let me know what you think. |

Q: What will the chairperson most likely do after reading the e-mail?

**(A) Promptly organize a committee gathering**   
(B) Directly contact the proposed speaker  
(C) Ask the other members to submit their proposals   
(D) Overview her colleagues' suggestions

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Passage 08 (Question 162, Test 04, Economy 03)

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| Orders for durable goods like automobiles and electronics fell by 7.0 percent in August, while orders for nondurable goods, such as food, petroleum products and chemicals, fell 1.9 percent, the most since December. The slumping commercial aircraft industry and housing sector are leading these declines. Labor costs, however, are on the rise. While this is good news for workers, the concern is that with productivity gains slowing over the past year and the cost of labor rising, these trends could make the Fed's job of keeping inflation under control more difficult. Economists are hoping that factories will not raise the prices of their products to meet the demand of labor costs, which could fuel inflation. Investors seemed to welcome the news of slower productivity as a sign that the central bank may finally cut interest rates, as major indexes rose several points today. |

Q: What can be inferred about investors?

(A) They are hoping that the central bank won't lower interest rates.  
(B) They fear inflation may prevent interest rate cuts.  
**(C) They are pleased about the current rate of productivity.**  
(D) They are selling their options for fear of inflation.

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Passage 09 (Question 176, Test 05, Economy 03)

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| Worldwide discovery of oil peaked in 1964 and has followed a steady decline since. According to industry consultants IHS Energy, 90% of all known reserves are now in production. There have been no significant discoveries of new oil since 2002.  While oil production is expected to begin declining, the demand for oil is expected to skyrocket. The oil industry is currently producing 23.6 billion barrels of oil per year, a rate that is rising 2% per year. But, by 2020 demand for oil is expected to jump 60% to 40 billion barrels per year. Much of the new demand will come from the developing economies of China and India. Home to more than 2.3 billion people, the two countries are industrializing at a rapid rate.  While alternative energy sources are expected to eventually replace oil as the world’s primary energy source, such technologies are not yet economically feasible. In the short term at least, consumers can expect increasing prices for oil and natural gas. |

Q: What can be said about the global oil fields?

**(A) Global oil field exploration has been decreasing since the 1960s.**  
(B) Oil production has already fallen off dramatically.  
(C) Current production from the oil fields does not meet the demand.  
(D) New oil resources have been discovered.

**V. CÂU HỎI TỪ ĐỒNG NGHĨA (Synonym Questions):**

**1.** Câu hỏi từ đồng nghĩa hỏi về nghĩa của một từ hoặc cụm từ trong bài đọc. Hầu hết các mục của từ vựng trong bài đọc đều có chứa các từ hoặc cụm từ thông dụng trong tiếng Anh, nhưng chắc chắn sẽ có những từ vựng liên quan đến kinh doanh mà có thể bạn chưa biết.

**2.** Dạng câu hỏi thường gặp và hướng dẫn làm bài:

**a.** Dạng câu hỏi thường gặp:

The word “run” in paragraph 1, line 5 is closet in meaning to

**b.** Hướng dẫn làm bài:

Với những từ vựng chưa biết, bạn hãy dịch câu có chứa từ vựng đó rồi đoán nghĩa của từ vựng dựa trên nội dung của câu cũng như ngữ cảnh của bài đọc.

Bạn có thể tham khảo danh mục các từ đồng nghĩa ở mục 3.

**3.** Một số cặp từ đồng nghĩa trong Part 7:

**VERBS**

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| **Accomodate** | **= Lodge**  This hotel can **accommodate** (= lodge) 150 guests |
| **Assess** | **= Evaluate**  The real estate agent will **assess** (= evaluate) the value of the property that we are interested in buying. |
| **Assume** | **= Suppose**  The clients **assume** (= suppose) that rumors of the company’s financial problems are exaggerated. |
| **= Take on**  Most students **assume** (= take on) a large amount of debt during their time at university. |
| **Cover** | **= Include**  The cost estimates **cover** (= include) all shipping, handling fees, and taxes. |
| **= Discuss**  The CEO will **cover** (= discuss) plans for the new manufacturing plant at our next staff meeting. |
| **= Pay for**  Sara brought only enough cash to **cover** (= pay for) her own accomodation expenses. |
| **Decline** | **= Reject**  The credit card was **declined** (= rejected) because the customer had exceeded his monthly limit. |
| **Generate** | **= Produce**  The new merger will allow the manufacturing company to **generate**  (= produce) higher profits. |
| **Govern** | **= Control**  The department of motor vehicles **governs** (= controls) the issuance of drivers’ licenses. |

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| **Renew** | **= Extend, lengthen**  The law firm decided to **renew** (= extend, lengthen) their office lease for another two years. |
| **Serve** | **= Provide**  The airline will **serve** (= provide) hot meals to all passengers on flight to Beijing. |
| **= Act, work**  Mr. Brian Davis will **serve** (= act, work) as the temporary director until a replacement can be found. |
| **Stress** | **= Emphasize**  Skyview’s factory managers always **stress** (= emphasize) the importance of safety in the workplace. |
| **= Overburden**  Mr. Arthur is **stressed** (= overburdened) by the planning of the annual investors’ meeting. |
| **Submit** | **= File, send in, turn in**  Applicants for the marketing position must **submit** (= file, send in, turn in) their forms and résumé by June 27. |
| **Treat** | **= Deal with**  The workshop will show employees how to **treat** (= deal with) customers’ complaints. |
| **Work** | **= Operate**  Rose had difficulty trying to get the recently purchased fax machine to **work** (= operate). |

NOUNS

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| **Atmosphere** | **= Environment**  The hotel created an exotic **atmosphere** (= environment) by filling their lobby with plants and flowers. |
| **Commission** | **= Fee**  All sales staff receive a 20 percent **commission** (= fee) for every sale they make. |
| **= Committee**  A meeting for the Securities and Exchange **Commission** (= Committee) was announced for Monday. |
| **Consideration** | **= Attention**  The director recommended serveral filming locations for the studio’s **consideration** (= attention). |

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| **Feasibility** | **= Possibility, viability**  The accountants will asses the **feasibility** (= possibility, viability) of marketing in China. |
| **Feature** | **= Characteristic**  One of the main **features** (= characteristics) of the new car is its low fuel consumption. |
| **Item** | **= Goods, merchandise**  Nyland Department Store carries a wide variety of household **items** (= goods, merchandise) |
| **Occupation** | **= Job**  The study showed that most people have at least three different **occupations** (= jobs) before they eventually retire. |
| **Operation** | **= Surgery**  Ms. Kelly was in good condition after her heart **operation**  (= surgery). |
| **Paycheck** | **= Salary, wage**  Greyson Enterprises offers monthly rather than weekly **paychecks** (= salaries, wages) to their employees. |
| **Proprietor** | **= owner**  It is the responsibility of the building **proprietor** (= owner) to maintain and repair the elevators. |
| **Provision(s)** | **= Supplies**  Mr. White suggested we place the order this week before we run out of **provisions** (= supplies) |
|  | **= Arrangements**  CAN-Tail makes special seating **provision** (= arrangements) for senior citizens and passengers traveling with young children. |
| **Replacement** | **= Successor**  The president wants to find a **replacement** (= successor) for the regional director as soon as possible. |
| **Stock** | **= Inventory**  The supplier’s **stock** (= inventory) of computer keyboards is nearly depleted. |
| **= Shares**  The textile manufacturer decided to sell 30 percent of their company’s **stock** (= shares). |
| **Term(s)** | **= Conditions**  All staff are permitted two weeks of vacation according to the **terms**  (= conditions) of their contracts. |
| **= Period**  Payments must be made monthly during the two-year **term** (= period) of the credit card’s validity. |

ADJECTIVES

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| **Certain** | **= Specific**  Recycling centers will be made available to residents at **certain**  (= specific) locations throughout the city. |
| **Effective** | **= Efficient**  Ms. Getty conducted a workshop that focused on more **effective** (= efficient) production methods. |
| **= Valid**  The discount offered by the bookstore is **effective** (= valid) until the end of the month. |
| **Liable** | **= Likely**  Computers are more **liable** (= likely) to shut down when four or more applications are running at once. |
| **Notable** | **= Important**  Beatrice Zbornak is a **notable** (= important) figure in the civil rights movement. |
| **Prominent** | **= Well-known**  Professor McClanahan is a **prominent** (= well-known) expert in the field of alternate energy. |
| **Sharp** | **= Rapid**  Snowstorms and a **sharp** (= rapid) drop in temperatures are expected for his weekend. |
| **Sophisticated** | **= Complex**  Branson Games Inc. has used highly **sophisticated** (= complex) software to develop its unique products. |
| **Unbiased** | **= Impartial**  The girm hired an **unbiased** (= impartial) mediator to negotiate a solution to the labor dispute. |
| **Unwavering** | **= Consistent**  Betty has worked with us for twenty years and her sense of loyalty has been **unwavering** (= consistent). |

ADVERBS

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| **Approximately** | **= Around, about**  The plane will arrive at Narita International Airport in **approximately** (= around, about) ten minutes. |
| **Consecutively** | **= Successively**  Employees working for more than seven days **consecutively**  (= successively) are eligible for a bonus. |
| **Exceptionally** | **= Especially**  Lindstrom Jewelers is famous for making **exceptionally** (= especially) fine jewellry. |
| **Exclusively** | **= Solely**  The Golden Idol Lounge is **exclusively** (= solely) for the use of first-class passengers. |
| **Inherently** | **= Fundamentally**  Venture businesses are **inherently** (= fundamentally) risky. |
| **Initially** | **= Originally**  Achron Chemicals reported that profits for this quarter were much higher than **initially** (= originally) expected. |
| **Substantially** | **= Considerably**  In order to cut costs, the company **substantially** (= considerably) reduced the staff benefits. |
| **Randomly** | **= Irregularly**  Safety inspections at the factory seemed to be conducted quite randomly (= irregularly). |

Example 01 (Question 197, Test 05, ETS 5 Tests)

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| Our hotel is located in the heart of Rome, close to most major tourist attractions and just minutes away from several bus and train stations. The hotel's unique combination of old-world charm and modem amenities make it perfect for business travelers and tourists alike. Not only do we have spacious, air-conditioned guest rooms and suites, we also have two dining areas that afford panoramic views of the city. |

Q: The word “afford” inline 5 is closest in meaning to

(A) manage  
(B) provide  
(C) regard  
(D)notice

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Example 02 (Question 177, Test 02, ETS 5 Tests)

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| We’re writing with some good news. Your photograph *Coastline in Winter* has been chosen as the third-place winner in the "Views of Our World" landscape photography contest sponsored by *Mintner Photography Magazine.* Our judges felt that your panoramic winter scene conveys a sense of wonder at the scale of nature and that the impressionistic image you captured shows your skill as an artist. |

**Q:** The word “conveys” in line 3 is closest in meaning to

(A) expresses  
(B) supports  
(C) retains  
(D) transports

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Example 03 (Question 183, Test 02, ETS 5 Tests)

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| For ten years my company, Front Force Designs, has created window displays and decoration for Dublin's most fashionable shops, including Bassett Music Company, O'Leary Shoes, Trumont Clothiers, and Gallagher's Department Store. Front Force Designs is a full-service design studio dedicated to giving local shops a competitive edge with original, eye-catching displays. I offer reasonable rates and professional, personalized service. I work with a team of two other designers but am involved in every aspect of each project, from concept to completion. |

**Q:** The word “edge” in line 5 is closest in meaning to

(A) advantage  
(B) border  
(C) force  
(D) quality

**3. Reading practice:**

Read the following passages and choose the best answer to each question given.

Passage 01 (Question 179, Test 03, ETS 5 Tests)

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| The Client may make reasonable changes to the design as long as these changes are submitted to the Contractor before work begins and the Contractor determines that the changes will not affect the project schedule. The Contractor must obtain all required construction permits from city authorities for the work performed. |

**Q:** The word “submitted” in line 1 is closest in meaning to

(A) presented  
(B) surrendered  
(C) applied  
(D) considered

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Passage 02 (Question 173, Test 05, ETS 5 Tests)

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| Quickstar currently serves over 100 cities in North America; most of these routes originate at Thurston International Airport. Almost since the day it began operating seven years ago, though, Quickstar has faced difficulties in its negotiations with Thurston International Airport. |

Q: The word “faced” in line 3 is closest in meaning to

(A) avoided  
(B) submitted to  
(C) turned toward  
(D) confronted

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Passage 03 (Question 177, Test 04, ETS 5 Tests)

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| I am writing to inform you that Villax Properties will assume responsibility for the San Paulo apartment complex on June 15. Our company has been in operation for ten years, and we currently manage fifteen properties in the Albuquerque area. We hope to make this transition as convenient as possible. Therefore, I am providing some important information to assist you with this change. |

Q: The word “assume” in line 1 is closest in meaning to

(A) suppose  
(B) take over  
(C) discuss  
(D) make up

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Passage 04 (Question 197, Test 03, ETS 1200)

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| As my Kellen watch (model X57A) was clearly in need of repair, I recently took it to Le Bon Temps, one of the shops on your list. To my surprise, my request for the repairs to be billed to your warranty service was declined in spite of the fact that there are still two years remaining in the coverage period. As there are no other authorized service centers for Kellen in my area, I decided to pay for the repairs myself. |

Q: The word “declined” in line 3 is closest in meaning to

(A) rejected  
(B) weakened  
(C) descended  
(D) modified

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Passage 05 (Question 198, Test 01, ETS 5 Tests)

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| Thank you for taking the time last week to introduce Multiconnect Communications and for speaking to me about your business phone and Internet bundle packages. As I mentioned, we are not seeking Internet services as part of a combined package, as we have a five-year contract with Colbert Wireless that is currently only in its third year. After careful consideration, though, we have decided to transfer from Duostar to a new provider for our phone systems. |

**Q:** The word “consideration” in line 5 is closest in meaning to

(A) payment  
(B) deliberation  
(C) application  
(D) commitment

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Passage 06 (Question 200, Test 06, ETS 1200)

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| Community theater is alive and well this month, with the Morningtown Community Arts Society's new play *Midnight in Buenos Aires.* This delightful production is the latest installment from regional favorite Seiji Uchida, whose recent productions at the Civic Center have all been well received by the public. In this reviewer's estimation, *Midnight* may very well be the best production by a community organization in Morningtown this year. |

Q: The word “estimation” in line 4 is closest in meaning to

(A) approximation  
(B) measurement  
(C) opinion  
(D) theory

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Passage 07 (Question 197, Test 04, ETS 1200)

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| My name is Rudy Gilmore and I have been doing yard work in Rock Springs City for more than 25 years. I have experience mowing lawns, planting gardens, pruning trees, and painting fences and sheds. Unlike most businesses, I still take pride in doing everything personally, so you will always know who's working around your house. As a native of Rock Springs City, I know the environment and will tailor every job to suit your needs. |

Q: The word “tailor” in line 5 is closest in meaning to

(A) adapt  
(B) accept  
(C) trim  
(D) cover

Passage 08 (Question 173, Test 02, Economy 03)

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| IntersiI Corp., manufacturer of high-performance wireless networking solutions, announced today that it will relocate its corporate headquarters from Irvine, Calif. to Milpitas, effective December 1, 2010. The company plans to accommodate the expanding operation with the relocation of the finance, human resources, IT and sales operations facilities. The move is expected to generate up to 90 new high-paying jobs for local residents. With an average annual salary of $50,000, Intersil’s annual payroll for workers in Milpitas will surpass $4 million. This is good news for the city. |

Q: The word "surpass" in line 6 is closest in meaning to

(A) exceed  
(B) cover  
(C) improve  
(D) escalate