

READING TEST

In the Reading test, you will read a variety of texts answer several different types of reading comprehension questions. The entire Reading test will last 75 minutes. There are three parts, and directions are given for each part. You are encouraged to answer as many questions as possible within the time allowed.

You must mark your answers on the separate answer sheet. Do not write your answers in your text book.

PART 5

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

101. _____ further information, please contact one of our representatives during our business hours, nine to six, Monday through Friday.

- ☐ A. In order
- ☐ B. So that
- ☐ C. For
- ☐ D. On

102. The amount of snowfall for the area has been _____ light as the weather this winter has been mild.

- ☐ A. predict
- ☐ B. predictive
- ☐ C. predictable
- ☐ D. predictably

103. Questions concerning the billing process will be _____ by customer

service representatives while the billing department is closed.

- ☐ A. handled
- ☐ B. replied
- ☐ C. attended
- ☐ D. emptied

104. There is a growing _____ of residents who oppose construction of a shopping center on Kingston and Flag avenues.

- ☐ A. town
- ☐ B. anger
- ☐ C. list
- ☐ D. rate

105. It appears to be a _____ impossible plan to charge fees to cars visiting the city park on the weekend.

☐ A. nearing

☐ B. nears

☐ C. nearly

☐ D. neared

106. You can find whatever office _____ you need in the storage area on the basement floor.

☐ A. supply

☐ B. supplies

☐ C. supplied

☐ D. supplier

107. Any _____ transactions will be reported to the Monitoring Department, which supervises all the processes of the banking operations.

☐ A. reserved

☐ B. evident

☐ C. anxious

☐ D. improper

108. Investor interest in Telco Mines is at its _____ point ever due to rumors of recent discoveries of precious metals.

☐ A. more highly

☐ B. most highly

☐ C. highest

☐ D. higher

109. Following criticism by government regulators, the company will issue _____ safety guidelines in the near future.

☐ A. revise

☐ B. revised

☐ C. revision

☐ D. revising

110. We need all the help we can get and would like everyone in the office to _____ us in getting this job completed on time.

☐ A. resist

☐ B. desist

☐ C. insist

☐ D. assist

111. Ms. Atkins _____ welcomes all customers into the office with the offer of a beverage.

☐ A. habit

☐ B. habits

☐ C. habitual

☐ D. habitually

112. I extend my sincere _____ to the family and friends of John Miller, who has suddenly left us at the age of 54.

☐ A. appreciation

☐ B. description

☐ C. condolences

☐ D. charges

113. Electron Recycling has developed a profitable business by recycling metals retrieved from _____ electronic components.

☐ A. discarded

☐ B. extended

☐ C. unoccupied

☐ D. suppressed

114. The application process is highly _____ with only 5% of applicants ultimately selected for positions.

☐ A. competition

☐ B. competitive

☐ C. competitors

☐ D. competitively

115. My cousin's _____ advice about selling our stock saved us thousands.

☐ A. amazingly

☐ B. amazed

☐ C. amazing

☐ D. amazement

116. Salary increases will not be higher than the cost of _____.

☐ A. life

☐ B. live

☐ C. living

☐ D. lived

117. Enclosed is a _____ of the company's current activities and future plans, so read it carefully and leave your comments on it.

☐ A. total

☐ B. product

☐ C. registration

☐ D. summary

118. The head of the department the banquet room for a party should submit a required form to the Catering Department.

☐ A. use

☐ B. used

☐ C. using

☐ D. will use

119. Our policy guarantees that any damaged products incurred in transit will be _____ immediately with new ones, or a full refund will be issued.

☐ A. prepared

☐ B. consumed

☐ C. revised

☐ D. replaced

120. Tom is _____ a charity event tonight for the victims of the hurricane.

- ☐ A. constructing
- ☐ B. assembling
- ☐ C. making
- ☐ D. putting on

121. The award was contested by one of the _____.

- ☐ A. competitors
- ☐ B. competition
- ☐ C. competing
- ☐ D. competitive

122. I recommend that the presentation you will give next week be _____ of the overall market trends.

- ☐ A. critic
- ☐ B. appreciative
- ☐ C. understanding
- ☐ D. reflective

123. In order for us to _____ Ms. Brown's suitability as department manager, she has been requested to provide two letters of reference.

- ☐ A. evaluate
- ☐ B. persuade
- ☐ C. object
- ☐ D. compensate

124. By the time Mr. Greenfield returns from his business trip, the company's new policy _____.

- ☐ A. was decided
- ☐ B. will be deciding
- ☐ C. had decided
- ☐ D. will have been decided

125. Emily Hong won her third _____ international archery competition by defeating Katherine Schwab last Sunday.

- ☐ A. following
- ☐ B. immediate
- ☐ C. constant
- ☐ D. consecutive

126. Speakers should be prepared _____ their findings to the audience and be able to answer questions regarding them.

- ☐ A. has presented
- ☐ B. presenting
- ☐ C. present
- ☐ D. to present

127. Mr. Chu will demonstrate how to switch from one server to _____ this afternoon.

- ☐ A. another
- ☐ B. other

☐ C. each other

☐ D. one

128. After considering her education and work background, the manager _____ Ms. Hannah for the position.

☐ A. recommend

☐ B. recommending

☐ C. to recommend

☐ **D. recommended**

129. When the installation process is _____ and an "OK" screen appears on the computer, please remove the last CD and click "reboot."

☐ **A. complete**

☐ B. entire

☐ C. whole

☐ D. total

130. Please ensure that all outstanding debts are cleared within seven days of-----of this notification, otherwise legal action will follow.

☐ **A. receipt**

☐ B. balance

☐ C. admission

☐ D. spending

131. The city council admits that _____ of the new tunnel will seriously disrupt vehicular and pedestrian traffic over the next 9 months.

☐ A. constructed

☐ B. constructing

☐ **C. construction**

☐ D. to construct

132. If the postage is incorrect, the package _____ to the sender and a small fee will be charged.

☐ A. was returned

☐ B. is going to return

☐ **C. will be returned**

☐ D. returns

133. National Enzyme is pleased to announce that Richard Mihalik will _____ the title of Director of Quality Assurance.

☐ **A. undertake**

☐ B. become

☐ C. assume

☐ D. devote

134. Very few visitors are _____ enough to identify the damaged portion of the delicate mosaic tiles on the bottom of the ancient pool.

☐ A. obvious

☐ **B. observable**

☐ C. alert

☐ D. discovering

135. Special safety _____ must be taken by city workers when digging near electrical lines.

- ☐ A. systems
- ☒ B. precautions
- ☐ C. guidelines
- ☐ D. rules

136. Marcy was hired to oversee the Asian branch because of _____ management experience.

- ☒ A. her
- ☐ B. hers
- ☐ C. herself
- ☐ D. she

137. The management has expressed its total faith in the abilities and performance of the present _____ and will not be seeking to replace him.

- ☐ A. occupant
- ☐ B. resident
- ☒ C. incumbent
- ☐ D. competent

138. Please do not _____ to share your opinions in the comment space below so that people can find and consider possible alternatives.

- ☐ A. provide
- ☒ B. hesitate
- ☐ C. qualify
- ☐ D. compete

139. Because of security concerns, all job applicants are _____ carefully before interviews are granted.

- ☐ A. screamed
- ☒ B. screened
- ☐ C. scrawled
- ☐ D. scraped

140. Although most of the consumers surveyed said they understood the importance of the new healthcare reform policy, many were _____ with the details of that policy.

- ☐ A. profitable
- ☐ B. filled
- ☒ C. unfamiliar
- ☐ D. difficult

PART 6

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

Questions 141 - 143 refer to the following passage.

The Little Tea Room
Blumberg 77
Adlkofen, Germany

Dr. Johannes Spieker Hinterkirchstrasse
15 Frieburg, Germany
Dear Dr. Spieker: January 7, 20__

I wanted to write and personally thank you for your kind effort in helping to tend to one of our _____ (141) _____ at our restaurant in her time of need. Briana Hilton, the woman you helped resuscitate on Monday, gave me your name and address when I spoke to her on the phone today. You _____ (142) _____ be glad to know that she is recovering in the hospital and is almost ready to be released.

As it turns out, you assumed correctly that the woman was suffering from a severe and sudden allergic reaction to nuts. She had neglected to inform the waitress that she couldn't eat any food containing nuts. Your skill and presence of mind saved her from suffering a terrible tragedy. Please bring your family in for a complimentary meal at your earliest convenience so _____ (143) _____ I may thank you in person.

Sincerely,
Henrik Andresen
Henrik Andresen, Manager
141.

☐ A. A. doctors

☐ B. B. nurses

☐ C. C. customers

☐ D. D. employees

Đáp án C

Giải thích: người được ám chỉ ở đây là "customer", người đã gọi đồ ăn ở nhà hàng gọi là "the Little Tea Room"

☐ A. A. had better

☐ B. B. could

☐ C. C. will

☐ D. D. are

142.

Đáp án C

Giải thích: động từ khuyết thiếu "will" ở đây sẽ biến thì này thành tương lai (thể hiện một sự quá quyết – determination)

143.

☐ A. A. that

- ☐ B. B. thus
- ☐ C. C. there
- ☐ D. D. this

Đáp án A

Giải thích: cụm từ "so that" ở đây có nghĩa là "in order that" hoặc "for the purpose of" -> "để"

Questions 144 – 146 refer to the following passage.

The High Park Harvest Festival

A trio of colorful fall events gets underway in October with a horse and wagon ride _____ (144) _____ High Park from Grenadier Café to Colborne Lodge.

All ages. Oct. 1. \$2. Storytelling, face painting, nature-themed crafts, and a market place full of autumn treats take _____ (145) _____ residence at the Children's Garden. Ages three and up. Oct. 1. Free. When the sun sets, brave the Haunted High Park tour, a moonlit stroll set to the eerie tales of old Chicago. Pre-registration is required.

Ages eight and up. Oct. 27 and 28. Adults \$10, ages eight and up \$5.

The playground in the northwest corner of the park becomes pumpkin carving central, when creations are set adrift on the water _____ (146) _____ the annual High Park Pumpkin Float. Warm up afterward with some hot cider and storytelling. **Ages two to ten Oct. 29. \$2 per pumpkin.**

144.

- ☐ A. after
- ☐ B. before
- ☐ C. during
- ☐ **D. through**

145.

- ☐ A. off
- ☐ B. on

☐ **C. up**

☐ D. care

146.

- ☐ A. until
- ☐ B. while
- ☐ C. during
- ☐ **D. between**

Questions 147 – 149 refer to the following passage.

STARGATE

SAUNA AND SPA

Recover, relax, and revive at the Stargate Sauna and Spa. Start with a sauna or steam, soak in a relaxing spa, _____(147)_____ revitalize and soothe your soul with one of Stargate's massages.

Choose from a traditional Chinese massage, Korean style, aromatherapy, body scrub, or a good old-fashioned head and foot massage. With over 20 professional licensed masseurs on staff every day, we are sure to have the style to suit your _____(148)_____.

We have separate, luxurious, lounge areas for men and women to relax in. So the next time you feel the need to _____(149)_____ yourself, come and check us out.

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147.

☐ A. soon

☐ B. after

☐ C. then

☐ D. later

148.

☐ A. needs

☐ B. duties

☐ C. promises

☐ D. charges

149.

☐ A. repair

☐ B. recreate

☐ C. rejuvenate

☐ D. renovate

Questions 150 - 152 refer to the following passage.

Maple Home and Life Insurance to Cut 1,500 jobs

The oldest insurance agency in Busan is planning to eliminate at least 1,500 jobs by the end of the year. The mass layoff has already _____(150)_____ with the first 400 people receiving their termination slips last Friday. Maple Home and Life is one of five financial services companies in Korea that has decided to downsize this year. "_____(151)_____ labor costs is the only way we can avoid bankruptcy," said the company's vice-president.

Financial analyst Yoon Kwang-ung says that an unexpected amount of insurance claims due _____(152)_____ a season of forest fires, occurring in a weakening economy, has caused the mass layoff. But employees are not satisfied with these and other excuses they are hearing in the media. "We want answers. And we won't leave until we get them," said Hwang Woo-suk, who plans to march in a protest outside the insurance office tomorrow

150.

☐ A. A. begin

☐ B. B. began

☐ C. C. begun

☐ D. D. beginning

151.

☐ A. A. Creating

☐ B. B. Building

☐ C. C. Operating

☐ D. D. Cutting

152.

☐ A. A. to

☐ B. B. from

☐ C. C. at

☐ D. D. in