

Sample Questions For English Proficiency Test For Class X

This book showcases hot topics in literacy, providing teachers with practices for literacy improvement. The international scholars which comprise the author line-up for this edited collection describe the evidence-based research findings from their research in K-12 schools to demonstrate how literacy success is fostered across the globe.

Assessing English Language Learners explains and illustrates the main ideas underlying assessment as an activity intimately linked to instruction and the basic principles for developing, using, selecting, and adapting assessment instruments and strategies to assess content knowledge in English language learners (ELLs). Sensitive to the professional development needs of both in-service and pre-service mainstream teachers with ELLs in their classrooms and those receiving formal training to teach culturally and linguistically diverse students, the text is designed to engage readers in viewing assessment as a critical part of teaching appreciating that assessments provide teachers with valuable information about their students' learning and thinking becoming aware of the relationship among language, culture, and testing understanding the reasoning that guides test construction recognizing the limitations of testing practices being confident that assessment is an activity classroom teachers (not only accountability specialists) can perform Highlighting alternative, multidisciplinary approaches that address linguistic and cultural diversity in testing, this text, enhanced by multiple field-tested exercises and examples of different forms of assessment, is ideal for any course covering the theory and practice of ELL assessment.

Featuring activities designed to help students improve English skills; this resource includes lessons that can be modified based on the students' levels of language proficiency. The activities span the content areas including language arts, mathematics, social studies, and science, plus easy-to-use lessons include step-by-step instructions and suggestions for whole and small group instruction. Definitely a must-have resource for diverse classrooms, this invaluable book also includes background information on language acquisition and language proficiency level. In addition, new Bloom's Taxonomy questions, that are aligned with 21st Century skills, are included to promote oral language development skills. 136pp. plus Teacher Resource CD with graphic organizers and reproducible.

The SAT English Language Proficiency Passbook(R) prepares you for your test by allowing you to take practice exams modeled after the real SAT Subject Test. It provides hundreds of questions and answers in the subjects covered on your upcoming exam.

Bernard R. Gifford In the United States, the standardized test has become one of the major sources of information for reducing uncertainty in the determination of individual merit and in the allocation of merit-based educational, training, and employment opportunities. Most major institutions of higher education require applicants to supplement their records of academic achievements with scores on standardized tests. Similarly, in the workplace, as a condition of employment or assignment to training programs, more and more employers are requiring prospective employees to sit for standardized tests. In short, with increasing frequency and intensity, individual members of the political economy are required to transmit to the opportunity marketplace scores on standardized examinations that purport to be objective measures of their abilities, talents, and potential. In many instances, these test scores are the only signals about their skills that job applicants are permitted to send to prospective employers. THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON TESTING AND PUBLIC POLICY In view of the importance of these issues to our current national agenda, it was proposed that the Human Rights and Governance and the Education and Culture Programs of the Ford Foundation support the establishment of a "blue ribbon" National Commission on Testing and Public Policy to investigate some of the major problems, as well as the untapped opportunities, created by recent trends in the use of standardized tests, particularly in the workplace and in schools.

English competes with Tagalog and Taglish, a mixture of English and Tagalog, for the affections of Filipinos. To understand the competing ideologies that underlie this switching between languages, this book looks at the language situation from multiple perspectives. Part A reviews the social and political forces that have propelled English through its life cycle in the Philippines from the 1898 arrival of Admiral Dewey to the 1998 election of Joseph Estrada. Part B looks at the social support for English in Metro Manila and the provinces with a focus on English teachers and their personal and public use of English. Part C examines the language of television sport broadcasts, commercials, interviews, sitcoms, and movies, and the language of newspapers from various linguistic, sociolinguistic, and sociocultural perspectives. The results put into perspective the short-lived language revolution that took place at the turn of the twenty-first century.

As the United States continues to be a nation of immigrants and their children, the nation's school systems face increased enrollments of students whose primary language is not English. With the 2001 reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) in the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), the allocation of federal funds for programs to assist these students to be proficient in English became formula-based: 80 percent on the basis of the population of children with limited English proficiency¹ and 20 percent on the basis of the population of recently immigrated children and youth. Title III of NCLB directs the U.S. Department of Education to allocate funds on the basis of the more accurate of two allowable data sources: the number of students reported to the federal government by each state education agency or data from the American Community Survey (ACS). The department determined that the ACS estimates are more accurate, and since 2005, those data have been basis for the federal distribution of Title III funds. Subsequently, analyses of the two data sources have raised concerns about that decision, especially because the two allowable data sources would allocate quite different amounts to the states. In addition, while shortcomings were noted in the data provided by the states, the ACS estimates were shown to fluctuate between years, causing concern among the states about the unpredictability and unevenness of program funding. In this context, the U.S. Department of Education commissioned the National Research Council to address the accuracy of the estimates from the two data sources and

the factors that influence the estimates. The resulting book also considers means of increasing the accuracy of the data sources or alternative data sources that could be used for allocation purposes.

This Official iTEP Preparation Guide is a step-by-step guide for helping you prepare for the iTEP tests while improving your English language skills. Using this Official Guide, you will become familiar with all of the English language skills that are assessed on the iTEP tests. Basic English language skills of Reading, Listening, Grammar, Writing, and Speaking are presented and tested by using various real-world situations in which the English language is used. This Official Guide uses examples and selections from all types of iTEP tests.

How do we effectively teach children from homes in which a language other than English is spoken? In *Improving Schooling for Language-Minority Children*, a committee of experts focuses on this central question, striving toward the construction of a strong and credible knowledge base to inform the activities of those who educate children as well as those who fund and conduct research. The book reviews a broad range of studies--from basic ones on language, literacy, and learning to others in educational settings. The committee proposes a research agenda that responds to issues of policy and practice yet maintains scientific integrity. This comprehensive volume provides perspective on the history of bilingual education in the United States; summarizes relevant research on development of a second language, literacy, and content knowledge; reviews past evaluation studies; explores what we know about effective schools and classrooms for these children; examines research on the education of teachers of culturally and linguistically diverse students; critically reviews the system for the collection of education statistics as it relates to this student population; and recommends changes in the infrastructure that supports research on these students.

The top secrets to getting into the best MBA programs, from a leading industry expert Top MBA programs reject more than 80 percent of their applicants, but author Chioma Isiadinso's admissions consulting firm has successfully guided 90 percent of her students into the best business schools around the world. As a former Admissions Board Member, Isiadinso offers insider tips and strategies to help applicants get into the school of their choice by building and promoting their personal brand. This revised and updated edition now offers:

- the do's and don'ts of social media networking
- sample admissions essays that worked
- an international perspective for global admissions appeal

This study examines the background, rationale, procedures, and results of a study by the National Institute of Education (NIE) and the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) to determine the number of limited English proficient children living in the United States and the types of services these children receive in school. The procedure used by the study for defining limited English proficiency is examined in terms of conceptual framework, field test procedures and results, and selection of the criterion score. A critique is offered of the conceptual framework and survey procedures that includes alternative sample plans, the role of the advisory group and contractor, sample selection, questionnaire design, data collection, response rates and weight adjustments, and sources of and interpretation of errors. The results of the survey are summarized. Comments from the advisory group for the study are set forth. In general, it is concluded that various flaws in the design of the study give cause for calling the results into question. Instruments used in the study are appended. (JB)

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ECPE Michigan Proficiency Listening and Speaking Test Book: Study Guide with mp3s and Practice Exam Questions contains 230 ECPE listening practice test questions. The recordings for this book are included for free. The instructions for accessing the mp3s are provided on page 4 of the book. This book is designed to build your listening skills for the Examination for the Certificate of Proficiency in English. The units are placed into order of difficulty, with the less difficult questions first and the advanced questions at the end of the listening section of the book. The listening practice questions are in the same format as those on the exam, so there are: Short and longer conversations Recorded questions, for which you choose the correct response Radio reports The book explains the format of the ECPE listening test and tells you what to expect on your exam day. The book also provides the complete scripts for each of the listening tests, which you should read after completing each of the practice test sets. Reading the listening scripts will help improve your knowledge of the vocabulary and idioms included on the ECPE exam. In addition, there are tips and information on the ECPE speaking test and 5 practice speaking exams. A complete answer key is also included at the end of the book. You may want to purchase our companion publication to help understand the idioms assessed on the ECPE listening exam: Michigan Test Vocabulary Practice with Exercises and Answers: Review of the Vocabulary, Phrasal Verbs, and Idioms on the Michigan English Proficiency Exams (Second Edition) You may also be interested in our other publications: ECPE Michigan Proficiency Practice Tests for Success on the Final GCVR Exam: Grammar, Cloze, Vocabulary, and Reading ECPE Michigan Proficiency Essay Test Success: Study Guide with Essay Practice Tests and Writing Samples

Ernesto Macaro brings together a wealth of research on the rapidly expanding phenomenon of English Medium Instruction. Against a backdrop of theory, policy documents, and examples of practice, he weaves together research in both secondary and tertiary education, with a particular focus on the key stakeholders involved in EMI: the teachers and the students. Whilst acknowledging that the momentum of EMI is unlikely to be diminished, and identifying its potential benefits, the author raises questions about the ways it has been introduced and developed, and explores how we can arrive at a true cost-benefit analysis of its future impact. "This state-of-the-art monograph presents a wide-ranging, multi-perspectival yet coherent overview of research, policy, and practice of English Medium Instruction around the globe. It gives a thorough, in-depth, and thought-provoking treatment of an educational phenomenon that is spreading on an unprecedented scale." Guangwei Hu, National Institute of Education, Singapore Additional online resources are available at www.oup.com/elt/teacher/emi Ernesto Macaro is Professor of Applied Linguistics at the University of Oxford and is the founding Director of the Centre for Research and Development on English Medium Instruction at the university. Oxford Applied Linguistics Series Advisers: Anne Burns and Diane Larsen-Freeman

In *Educating English Learners*, Joyce W. Nutta and her colleagues offer practical tools for helping schools and teachers successfully integrate English learners into mainstream classrooms. Drawing on the One Plus model presented in their award-winning book, *Preparing Every Teacher to Reach English Learners*, the authors now turn their attention to the needs of K–12 teachers who typically have two or three English learners in their classrooms. English learners are not a homogenous group, and the challenges they face vary tremendously. Nutta and her colleagues present protocols and case studies to help pre-service and in-service teachers understand the needs of English learners in their classrooms and differentiate instruction and assessment accordingly. Woven throughout the book are the stories of Gero, Edith, Tasir, and Edgar, four case study students of different ages, backgrounds, and levels of English proficiency. The authors show how the protocols they provide can be applied to adapt sample lessons for students like these, across a range of grade levels, subject areas, and pedagogical approaches. Finally, the authors show how the system can be applied school-wide for a collaborative approach to meeting English learners' needs.

As the demand for English language education grows in Asia, there has been a parallel growth in the development and implementation of standardized tests at the local level. Offering much-needed context on locally produced tests in Asia, contributors examine emerging models for English language assessment and the impact these large-scale tests have on the teaching and learning of English. Chapters address the following well-known and developing high-stakes tests in different regions across Asia: the GEPT, the TEPS, the VSTEP, the CET, the EIKEN and TEAP, and the ELPA. Brought together by world-renowned testing assessment scholar Cyril Weir and the Language Training and Testing Center (LTTC), one of Asia's leading testing institutions based in Taiwan, this volume is a useful reference for evaluating, developing, and validating local tests of English and their societal impact. Comprehensive and research-based, chapters cover historic backgrounds, sociocultural contexts, test quality, international standing, and future considerations. Ideal for graduate students, researchers, and scholars in language assessment, TESOL/TEFL, and applied linguistics, this book will also be of interest to language teaching professionals, language test developers, and graduate students in Asian studies and international education, intercultural communication, and intercultural studies.

Michigan Test Vocabulary Practice with Exercises and Answers: Review of the Vocabulary, Phrasal Verbs, and Idioms on the Michigan English Proficiency Exams (Second Edition) contains the vocabulary you will see on the Michigan Tests of English. If you are taking the ECPE (Examination for the Certificate of Proficiency in English), MELAB, or Michigan Test (MTELP), you will need to have a very advanced level of vocabulary. STEP 1 - Improve your vocabulary, idioms, and phrasal verbs: Our publication contains vocabulary like you will see on the Michigan English Language Tests. The vocabulary, idioms, and phrasal verbs in the book are organized into alphabetized sections, from A to Z. STEP 2 - Study definitions, sample sentences and derivatives: There are definitions and sample sentences for each vocabulary item. By using this study guide, you will learn whether each word is a noun, verb, adjective, adverb or idiom. You will also learn the derivatives (words in the same family that can be formed by using a prefix or suffix) for each item of vocabulary that you are likely to see on the tests. STEP 3 - Practice your skills with the exercises: Most important, there are exercises at the end of each section of the study guide. The exercises will provide you with further practice in utilizing the vocabulary naturally in sentences, a skill which is assessed on the exam. The book is ideal for self-study. You can check your answers to the exercises by looking at the answer key provided at the end of the book. Note: The publication sold under this ISBN is available for sale exclusively to wholesalers, institutions, and booksellers.

Writing an amazing college admission essay is easier than you think! So you're a high school senior given the task of writing a 650-word personal statement for your college application. Do you tell the story of your life, or a story from your life? Do you choose a single moment? If so, which one? The options seem endless. Lucky for you, they're not. College counselor Ethan Sawyer (aka The College Essay Guy) will show you that there are only four (really, four!) types of college admission essays. And all you have to do to figure out which type is best for you is answer two simple questions: 1. Have you experienced significant challenges in your life? 2. Do you know what you want to be or do in the future? With these questions providing the building blocks for your essay, Sawyer guides you through the rest of the process, from choosing a structure to revising your essay, and answers the big questions that have probably been keeping you up at night: How do I brag in a way that doesn't sound like bragging? and How do I make my essay, like, deep? Packed with tips, tricks, exercises, and sample essays from real students who got into their dream schools, *College Essay Essentials* is the only college essay guide to make this complicated process logical, simple, and (dare we say it?) a little bit fun.

Examines the challenges that English language learners face and offers educators practical suggestions on how they can help their students learn English reading, writing, grammar, and vocabulary, as well as build their speaking, listening, and viewing skills.

Multiple discourses circulate Japanese society surrounding the relationship between Japanese people and the English language. For example, 'Japanese people are the worst English speakers in Asia,' 'Japanese women love the English language' and 'learning English leads to increased income and career opportunities.' From a sociological perspective, this book tests the veracity of these discourses, using social statistical data. The aim here is to paint an accurate picture of society to assist the argument for evidence-based policy in English language education, and to challenge the myths about Japanese people and the English language propagated by various interest groups, including the government and the business community. This important book reveals that the English language discourses that exist in Japan today are largely based on misconceptions, pointing to the urgent need to challenge the education policies based on such falsehoods. (Series: Japanese Society Series) [Subject: Japanese Studies, Language Studies, Education, Sociology

WEST-E English Language Learners (051) Study Guide: Test Prep and Practice Test Questions for the Washington Educator Skills Test ELL (051) Exam will provide you with a detailed overview of the WEST-E 051, so you know exactly what to expect on test day. We'll take you through all the concepts covered on the test and give you the opportunity to test your knowledge with practice questions. Even if it's been a while since you last took a major test, don't worry; we'll make sure you're more than ready. *Cirrus Test Prep's WEST-E English Language Learners (051) Study Guide: Test Prep and Practice Test Questions for the Washington Educator Skills Test ELL (051) Exam* includes: A comprehensive REVIEW of: Linguistics Theory Linguistics and Culture Grammar and Parts of Speech Language Learning and Acquisition Theoretical Models of Second Language Learning and Acquisition First-Language Considerations Stages of Second-Language Acquisition Student Motivation in Second-Language Learning Language Modeling, Comprehensible Input, and Scaffolding Literacy Instruction Instructional Theory Program Models Teaching Techniques Materials Classroom Management Assessment Tests and Standards Appropriate Use of Tests Interpreting and Applying Assessment Results Cultural Aspects Cultural Understanding Cultural Aspects That Affect Second-Language Acquisition English-Language Learners, and Teaching Cultural Awareness, Sensitivity, and Inclusion Professional Aspects Legal and Ethical Issues Role of the ESL Teacher Professional Development ...as well as a FULL WEST-E ESOL practice test.

This textbook is a comprehensive introduction to the assessment of students in K-12 schools who use two or more languages in their daily life: English Language Learners (ELLs), or Emergent Bilinguals. The book includes a thorough examination of the policy, history and assessment/measurement issues that educators should understand in order to best advocate for their students. The author presents a decision-making framework called PUMI (Purpose, Use, Method, Instrument) that practitioners can use to better inform assessment decisions for bilingual children. The book will be an invaluable resource in teacher preparation programs, but will also help policy-makers and educators make better decisions to support their students.

Like several other Asian countries, Malaysia uses English for a variety of official, professional and everyday purposes. Many Malaysians use English alongside their first language, typically Malay, Chinese or Tamil, but have a particular need for English if they are to succeed in their

careers. What is special about this book is that it looks under the surface of the use of English, and shows how the teaching of English is tailored to bring this language situation about, by applying recent developments in the study of English and of English Language Teaching. It deals with questions such as the use of corpora in language teaching, and investigates some of the obstacles young Malaysians face in acquiring the necessary command of English. Issues investigated include the link between lack of proficiency and lack of motivation, the effect of examinations and the 'washback' effect, and the problems of academic writing. Other chapters deal with English in the workplace, including doctor-patient communication, the communication challenges facing tour guides, and gender-based differences in the learning of computer skills. The book will be of great value to anyone professionally involved with global English, 'glocalisation' or language contact, including teachers, publishers and language planners, especially those concerned with the use of global English in Asia.

State Assessment Policy and Practice for English Language Learners presents three significant studies, each examining a different aspect of states' strategies for including English language learners in state assessments. *an Analysis of State Assessment Policies Regarding Accommodations for English Language Learners; *a Survey and Description of Test Translation Practices; and *an Examination of State Practices for Reporting Participation and Performance of English Language Learners in State Assessments. With the rise in population of English language learners and the subsequent stepped-up legislative focus on this student population over the past decade, states have been challenged to include English language learners in state assessment programs. Until now, the little data available on states' policies and practices for meeting this challenge has been embedded in various reports and professional journals and scattered across the Internet. This volume offers, for the first time, a focused examination of states' assessment policies and practices regarding English language learners. The three studies were supported by OELA, the U.S. Department of Education's Office of English Language Acquisition, Language Enhancement, and Academic Achievement for Limited English Proficient Students. State Assessment Policy and Practice for English Language Learners is of interest to researchers and professionals involved with the assessment of English language learners; state- and district-level policy makers; and academics, teacher educators, and graduate students in a number of fields, including educational and psychological assessment, testing and measurement, bilingual education, English as a second language, and second language acquisition.

Are you preparing for the Cambridge English: Proficiency exam? Do you want to know exactly what to expect from the Writing paper? Then this book is for you! This self-study guide is full of useful tips and answers to commonly asked questions. It identifies common mistakes and how you can avoid them. The six original practice tasks tell you what you need to do in order to excel at the CPE Writing test. The sample answers are annotated and give clear feedback on what the examiners are looking for. If you are hoping to succeed at the CPE Writing test, this is the ONLY guide you'll need.

This 3rd Edition of CliffsNotes FTCE Professional Education Test encapsulates the major test changes to this important Florida teacher certification test that would-be Florida teachers must pass to become credentialed.

Cambridge English Proficiency 2 contains four complete and authentic examination papers for Cambridge English: Proficiency, also known as Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE). This collection of examination papers provides the most authentic exam preparation available. These examination papers allow candidates to familiarise themselves with the content and format of the exam and to practise useful examination techniques. Audio CDs containing the exam Listening material, a Student's Book with answers, and a Student's Book with answers with downloadable Audio are available separately.

Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program CELPIP practice questions, prepared by a dedicated team of exam experts, with full downloadable audio, detailed answer key, exam tips and multiple choice strategies! Here is what the CELPIP Practice Package can do for you: * Practice Tests are the best way to prepare for an exam and this is the book that you need to fully prepare for the CELPIP. * Here are 2 sets of CELPIP questions, prepared by a dedicated team of experts that will prepare you for the exam like nothing else will. * Practice Tests familiarize you with the exam format and types of questions, giving you more confidence when you take the exam. * Practice tests are a critical self-assessment tool that reveals your strengths and weaknesses. * Practice tests allow you to practice your exam time management – a critical exam-writing skill that can easily improve your grade substantially. * Practice tests reduce Test Anxiety, one of the main reasons for low marks on an exam. Hundreds of questions with detailed solutions and explanations to improve your understand of the basic concepts behind the questions. If you are taking the Canadian English Language Proficiency Index test – the Practice the CELPIP is an essential part of studying and passing! Each set of CELPIP Questions: Reading - Reading comprehension questions with full answer key and detailed step-by-step answer key with test tips and multiple choice strategies! Listening - Includes FULL AUDIO for listening comprehension practice - use easy scan QR codes for or links for downloadable audio! Writing - Detailed instructions with walk-through examples and step-by-step help! Speaking - Detailed examples for all 8 speaking questions. Practice tests are a critical self-assessment tool that reveals your strengths and weaknesses familiarize you with the exam format and types of questions, build your self confidence, and practice your exam time management. All of these can make a huge difference in your score! Practice Tests also reduce Test Anxiety, one of the main reasons for low marks on an exam. Why not do everything you can to get the best score on the CELPIP?

Organized around a series of "Critical Questions" and "Leadership Challenges," this book offers knowledge and expertise about the elementary principal's leadership role in- -effective instructional strategies -student assessment -school climate -parent involvement -and other ways to improve the academic achievement of English Language learners.

Tato publikace je sborníkem 21 příspěvků, přednesených na 9. ročníku konference „Teaching and Learning Corpora“, která se uskutečnila na Masarykově univerzitě v létě 2010. Stať byly vybrány na základě dvou anonymních posudků, poskytnutých v předchozí radou konané konference. Kniha se zabývá rozmanitými způsoby využití jazykových korpusů při výuce a při studiu cizího jazyka, a je rozdělena do čtyř oddílů. Oddíly 1 a 2 pohlíží na korpus jako vstupní zdroj, zkoumají nejčastěji obecně, jak mohou korpusy obohatit výuku jazyka, poté na konkrétních případech ukazují, jak převést poznatky do praxe, a nakonec hodnotí jednotlivé využití korpusů studenty. Oddíly 3 a 4 tematizují korpus jako výstup, což představuje především srovnání s korpusy rodilých mluvčích a následnou identifikaci „chyb“ v problémových oblastech, ale také ukazují, co studenti mohou vidět a skutečně ví v různých úrovních pokročilosti, a pokouší se zodpovědět na otázku, co nám tyto informace říkají o samotném procesu učení.

Master the SAT II English Language Proficiency Subject Test and score higher... Our test experts show you the right way to prepare for this important college exam. REA's SAT II English Language Proficiency Subject test prep covers all English language areas that appear on the actual exam including in-depth coverage of comprehending and listening to verbal statements, dialogues, and short talks. The book features 4 full-length practice exams. Each practice exam question is fully explained to help you better understand the subject material. The accompanying 2 audio cassettes help you improve your listening skills and prepare you for the critical listening comprehension portions of the actual exam. Follow up your study with REA's proven test-taking strategies and powerhouse drills that get you ready for test day. DETAILS - Comprehensive review of every English language topic to appear on the SAT II subject test - Packed with proven test tips, strategies and advice to help you master the test - 4 full-length practice SAT II English Language

Proficiency Subject exams. Each exam question is answered in complete detail with easy-to-follow, easy-to-grasp explanations. - Includes 2 audio cassettes that contain the listening comprehension sections from the four sample tests.

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ABOUT THE BOOK This book provides you with an accurate and complete representation of the SAT II: English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT). The four sample tests are based on the most recently administered ELPT examination. Our reviews are designed to prepare you for the types of questions you can expect to see when taking the actual test. You will be given one hour to complete each sample test. The sample tests contain every type of question that you may expect to appear on the actual exam. Following each test you will find an answer key and detailed explanations which are designed to help you understand the test material. Copies of this book include audio cassettes, containing the listening comprehension sections from the four sample tests. These tapes will help you improved your listening skills and prepare you for the listening comprehension portions of the ELPT.

ABOUT THE TEST Who Takes the Test and What is it Used for? Any American secondary school student with English as a second language or limited English proficiency who has had at least two years of high school study in the United States can take this exam. The English Language Proficiency Test is used to measure your reading and listening skills in English. Unlike English test that focus on grammar and language structure, the ELPT uses everyday-life examples to test a student's ability to function in an English-speaking environment. The test is used by colleges and universities as an indicator of a student's ability to use English in life situations. It can also be used as a measure for academic placement. Students entering the workforce can use the ELPT to demonstrate their ability to understand written and spoken English. Who Administers the Test? The ELPT is developed and administered by the Educational Testing Service (ETS). The questions for the ELPT are developed by language specialists who follow standardized procedures which ensure a high quality of work. All questions are reviewed by many people, revised as necessary, and then are administered in trial test situations, before being compiled into a test format. According to ETS, the tests are then reviewed, using specific procedures, to ensure that they are free from cultural bias and that they will properly measure student's knowledge. When Should the ELPT Be Taken? The ELPT should be taken by American high school students who have completed two to four ears of training in an English as a Second Language program or an English enrichment course. The examination should be taken prior to graduation from high school. When and Where is the Test Given? The ELPT is administered twice a year, once at SAT test centers and once at participating high schools. The first test administration date is in November at SAT test centers. The second administration date is in April at participating high schools. To receive information on upcoming administrations of the exam, consult the publication Taking the SAT II: Subject Tests, which can be obtained from your guidance counselor or by contacting: College Board SAT Program P.O. Box 6200 Princeton, NJ 08541-6200 Phone: (609) 771-7600 Website: <http://www.collegeboard.com> You must pay a registration fee to take the SAT II: English Language Proficiency Subject Test. Consult the publication Taking the SAT II: Subject Tests for information on the fee structure. Financial assistance may be granted in certain situations. To find out if you qualify and to register for assistance, contact your academic advisor.

HOW TO USE THIS BOOK What Do I Study First? Before you do anything else, you should take the first practice test which appears after the two review sections. After you complete this test, you will be able to determine what areas are causing you difficulty and should be studied first, so that you can strengthen your weaknesses. After you have thoroughly studied the areas with which you are having problems, you may want to retake Test 1 to gauge your improvement in these areas. When you feel comfortable with the areas which have previously caused you difficulty, you should then begin reviewing and preparing for each section of the ELPT. When

should I start studying? It is never too early to start studying for the ELPT, the earlier the better. You should start studying as soon as possible so that you will be able to learn more. Make sure you take the first practice test before you start studying can help you strengthen your problem areas before you run out of time to study. Last minute studying and cramming is not an efficient way to study and does not allow you to learn the material which you will need to know for the exam. How else can I improve my English speaking and writing skills while preparing for the test? In addition to using Test 1 to determine your problem areas, make sure you study all of the reviews. The reviews will cover the information you will need to know for the exam. You should also test yourself by completing as many of the practice tests as you possibly can. Besides using this book, there is one way you can familiarize yourself with written English - READ! Reading will help you improve your writing skills because you will have become acquainted with correct structure and phrasing in written English. You should read newspaper and magazine articles and advertisements. Read the college admissions material and college catalogs of the schools to which you are applying. You should also read books of interest to you. Just make sure you read, read, READ! There are many ways you can familiarize yourself with spoken English. If you are in your car, turn on the radio. Listening to radio newscasts and weather reports can also help prepare you for the test. You should watch television documentaries, go to lectures, and even go to the movies. Doing all of these things will help your perception of spoken English and will help prepare you for the listening comprehension sections, and may even aid in building your vocabulary.

FORMAT FOR THE ELPT

Section	Time Allotted	Questions
Part A: Listening Comprehension - Rejoinders	10 minutes	14 questions
Part B: Reading Comprehension - Realia	30 minutes	42 questions
Part C: Listening Comprehension - Narratives and Dialogues	20 minutes	28 questions

The ELPT will take about one hour to complete, plus about 20 minutes of administration time. All of the questions in the ELPT will be multiple choice. Each question is rated as either superior, advanced, or intermediate. These ratings distinguish the difficulty level of a question and aids in scoring the student's proficiency rating. Each question will have four answer choices from which to choose. You should be aware of the amount of time you have to complete each section of the test, so that you do not waste too much time working on difficult questions, while neglecting to answer easy questions. Speed is very important. Using the practice tests will help you prepare for this. Taking as many of the practice tests as possible, and making sure to time yourself, will help you become accustomed to the time constraints. Repeating this process will help you develop speed in answering the questions because you will become more familiar with the format. First, make sure you know how much time you have to complete each section. Second, read the directions to each section so that you understand it completely. Third, you should become familiar with the three parts of the ELPT. These sections are:

PART A: Listening Comprehension - Rejoinders In this section, which makes up 17 percent of the test, your ability to respond to and understand spoken English will be tested. A tape recording of conversations will be played for you. You will then have seven seconds to choose the answer that would best continue the conversation. The questions, the conversations, and the answer choices will not appear in your test booklet. When you take the sample tests, take Part A for Tests 1-4 by using the provided tapes. Students will be given 10 minutes to complete the 14 questions in Part A. To study for this section, turn to the Listening Comprehension Review - Rejoinders.

PART B: Reading Comprehension - Realia This section, which makes up 50 percent of the test, will test your ability to understand written English through published material such as signs, advertisements, directions, menus, labels, tickets, and street signs. The items in this section will include a piece of "realia" and test the students' ability to understand its content. Students will be given 30 minutes to complete the 42 questions in Part B. To study for this section, turn to the Reading Comprehension Review - Realia.

PART C: Listening Comprehension - Narratives and Dialogues This part, which makes up 33 percent of the test, will have several spoken announcements or conversations which the students listen to and then answer questions about the content or main points of what was said on the tape. The students will be given 12 seconds to complete each question. Part C has 28 questions that must be completed in 20 minutes. To study for this section, turn to the Listening Comprehension Review - Narratives and Dialogues.

ABOUT THE REVIEW SECTIONS Our reviews are written to help you understand the concepts behind the questions which will be asked in the ELPT. They will help you to prepare for the actual test. They contain study tips on how to choose the best answer quickly and accurately. Also, there will be many drills which will help you in studying for the ELPT. You should use the reviews in conjunction with the diagnostic test and its cross-referencing table, which can show you what areas you need to study the most. The three review sections in this book correspond to the test sections of the official ELPT.

Listening Comprehension Reviews Both Listening Comprehension parts of the ELPT (Rejoinders and Narratives and Dialogues) will be discussed in great detail in this review. It will illustrate for you the different forms of questions that may appear in those parts of the ELPT. Through using this review, you will learn how to listen for key words and phrases. A number of study tips have been included to help you concentrate more effectively and choose the correct answer quickly.

Reading Comprehension Review This review will describe for you the "realia" that will be presented in Part B of the ELPT. The review will help you learn how to understand the content of various signs, menus, directions, etc.

STUDYING FOR THE ELPT At first glance, the ELPT may appear to be primarily a test of written English. However, the ELPT not only tests your written English ability., but it also tests your ability to understand spoken English. By using the tests contained in this book, you will be able to develop your abilities in both of these areas. It is important for you to discover the time and place that works best for you. Some students may set aside a certain number of hours every morning to study, while others may choose to study at night before going to sleep. Other students may study during the day, while waiting on line, or they may even listen to English tapes while doing chores. Only you can determine when and where your study time will be most effective. The most important factor to keep in mind is consistency. Work out a study routine and stick to it! You may want to follow a schedule similar to the one presented at the beginning of this book. Depending on how long before the exam you begin to study, you may want to add to this schedule or condense it. Be sure to take the first practice test before you begin

studying the reviews in this book. By taking the practice test before studying you will determine your strengths and weaknesses, enabling your studying to be more concise and effective. When you take the practice tests, you should sit down at a quiet table and time yourself. Try to make the conditions as much like a test center as possible by removing all distractions. Afterwards, you should check each answer and thoroughly review the reasoning behind each question that you missed. You should not review too much at one time. Concentrate on each of your problem areas individually, until you feel comfortable with your ability in each of those areas. Write in the margins and spaces of this book when practicing, and write in the test booklet when taking the test. You should use this space to make notes to yourself, especially notes to go back to a certain question. You should also cross out answers that you know are incorrect. Although you can write in your test booklet, make sure you do not write anything on your answer sheet, except to mark the answer you chose. Keep track of your scores! You will be able to gauge your progress and discover general weaknesses in particular sections. You may find it very helpful to work with someone else. If possible, you should find a friend or classmate who is also taking the test. You may even find it convenient to ask a native speaker of English to help you practice.

ELPT TEST-TAKING TIPS

You may be unfamiliar with standardized tests such as the ELPT. There are many ways to acquaint yourself with this type of examination. Listed below are points to help you become familiar with the ELPT, some of which may be applied to other standardized tests.

How to Beat the Clock

Become comfortable with the format of the exam. When you are practicing to take the ELPT, pretend that you are under the same time constraints as you would during the test. Stay calm, pace yourself, and pay attention to the clock. Practice these techniques thoroughly. After simulating the test only a few times, you will be better able to sit down for the actual ELPT much more confidently and boost your chances of doing well. Become familiar with the directions. Make sure you understand them before you take the exam, so that you do not waste valuable time on the exam. Know the format for each section before you actually take the test. This will not only save you valuable time, but also ensure that you are familiar enough with the exam to avoid nervousness (and the mistakes that come from being nervous). Work on the easier questions first. Mark the very difficult questions (in the test booklet, not on the answer sheet) and continue. Remember, only correct answers will be counted in your score. You will not be penalized for guessing, so when you have either answered or marked all of the questions, go back and answer any of the difficult questions that you may have skipped. If you find yourself working too long on one question, mark it and go on. Be sure that you are marking your answer in the space that corresponds to the number of the question in the test booklet. Know how much time is allowed for each section. Remember that you are racing against the clock. This is why you should not spend too much time on a single question. Budget your time. Every question has the same value, whether it is difficult or easy, so it is important to move on if a question becomes too time consuming. Pace yourself and make sure to check your time periodically to make sure that you are moving at a good rate.

Should I Guess?

If you don't know the answer to a question, guess! Cross out and eliminate answers (in the test booklet) that you know are wrong, and then pick the best answer from the ones that are left. Even if you can't eliminate any answers, guess anyway! Remember that there is no penalty for guessing, and only correct answers are counted. If you guess, you may increase your number of correct answers.

The Day of the Test

On the day of the test, you should wake up early (hopefully after a decent night's rest) and have a good breakfast. Make sure you dress comfortably, so that you are not distracted by being too hot or too cold while taking the exam. You should plan to arrive at the test site early. By being early, you will spare yourself the anxiety of being late for the test. It will also allow you to collect your thoughts and to relax before taking the exam. Before you leave your home, make sure you have all the necessary information to be admitted into the test site. You should consult your ELPT handbook for exact requirements. Make sure you bring at least two sharpened #2 (or HB) pencils, with erasers, to the exam. The pencils should be medium-soft with black lead. You may want to wear a watch to the test site; however, only ordinary watches will be permitted. Watches with alarms, calculator functions, flashing lights, beeping sounds, etc., will not be allowed in the test site. No food will be allowed into the examination room.

During the Test

When you arrive at the test center, you will be assigned a seat in the examination room by a member of the test site staff. You will not receive a break during the examination. If you need to use the rest room, or if you become ill, you may leave the examination room, but you must first give the test supervisor your identification documents before you leave the room. If you do leave the room, you will not be allowed to make up any lost time. Once you enter the test site, follow all the instructions given by the test supervisor. If you do not, you risk being dismissed from the examination or having your ELPT scores voided (they will not be scored). Your answer sheet will not be scored and your test payment will not be refunded if you try to remove a test booklet, an answer sheet, or any tape from the test center. All the test materials are the property of Educational Testing Service and legal action may be taken against you if you try to take home test materials or copy them in any way. There are also regulations that, if not followed, will void your answer sheet and then your test payment will not be refunded for any reason. Check your ELPT handbook for a list of these regulations. When all of the test materials have been passed out, the test instructor will give you directions for filling out one side of your answer sheet. You must fill out this sheet carefully since this information will be printed on your score report. Fill out your name exactly as it appears on your identification documents, unless otherwise instructed. Remember to write in the margins and spaces of your test booklet, leaving notes for yourself to return to a question, or just to cross out incorrect answers. Make sure you do not write on your answer sheet, except to fill in the oval corresponding to the answer you chose. You will be marking your answers on the side two of your answer sheet. Each numbered row will contain four ovals corresponding to each answer choice for that question. Fill in the oval which corresponds to your answer darkly, completely, and in a neat manner. You can change your answer, but remember to completely erase your old answer. Only one answer should be marked. This is very important, as your answer sheet will be scored by machine and stray lines or unnecessary marks may cause the machine to score your answers incorrectly. Only work on the section of the test which the test instructor has instructed you to work on. You

should begin only when instructed to do so, and stop, immediately, when instructed to end. Do not turn to the next section of the test until you are told to do so. When all of the sections have been completed, you should remain seated until all of the test materials have been collected. You will have to wait for your test results to arrive in the mail, which usually takes about one month.

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