

# A Redesigned TOEIC<sup>®</sup> Test for the Global Workplace

Arriving in January, 2007







The TOEIC<sup>®</sup> Test – Know English. Know Success.

## The TOEIC<sup>®</sup> Test — the Standard for Workplace English — has been Redesigned

For more than 25 years, businesses, government agencies, educational institutions and English language learning programs around the world have relied on the *Test of English for International Communication*<sup>™</sup> (TOEIC<sup>®</sup>) to evaluate the English proficiency of nonnative English-speaking people. With more than 4.5 million test takers per year, the TOEIC test is the global standard for assessing workplace English-language proficiency.

Now, in keeping with our policy of continually reevaluating and improving our tests, ETS has made some significant enhancements to the TOEIC test, designed to address the real demands of workplace communicative English. The new TOEIC<sup>®</sup> Listening and Reading Test will be administered for the first time in the U.S. and Canada in January 2007. Here's what you can expect.

### What's new about the new TOEIC test?

#### An authentic measure of real business English

The newly redesigned TOEIC test reflects typical language activities people encounter in today's workplace. Consistent with current business communication styles around the world, it emphasizes authentic language contexts which require learners to use multiple strategies and abilities to comprehend and connect information. While we didn't change all tasks in the test, those we did have essentially been refined to more closely resemble what a person using the language in the real world would have to do.

#### Other notable enhancements include:

#### Listening section

- Fewer photograph questions in Part 1
- Recorded as well as written questions in Part 3 (conversations) and Part 4 (short talks)
- Shift from individual questions to sets of questions in Part 3 (conversations)
- Broader range of accents, representing how English is spoken in the United States, Great Britain, Canada and Australia

#### **Reading section**

- Replacement of error-recognition questions with text-completion questions in Part 6
- Inclusion of questions based on two interrelated passages in Part 7

We've even given our score reports a fresh new look.

#### Sample Score Report

<b>TOEIC.</b> LISTENING AND READING TEST OFFICIAL SCORE REPORT			
Nama	LISTENING	TOTAL SCORE	
Name: Date of Birth:	-		
Identification Number:	READING		
Client/Test Center:	-		
Test Date:		Report is valid for two years from the test	
		administration date.	

## What stays the same?

Along with many of the question types, the core characteristics of the test remain unchanged:Test time: 2 hours (Listening: 45 minutes, Reading: 75 minutes)Range of difficultyNumber of questions: 200 (Listening: 100, Reading: 100)Score range and scalePaper-and-pencil administrationScore range and scale

And most importantly, the one thing that will never change is our commitment to maintaining the quality, fairness, reliability and validity that have made the TOEIC test the global standard in workplace English assessment. This means you can still rely on TOEIC test scores to guide your most important decisions and help give your organization a competitive edge.

## At a Glance

#### A side-by-side comparison of the current and new TOEIC tests

Current TOEIC Test	New TOEIC Test	
Section 1 – Listening Comprehension	Section 1 – Listening Comprehension	
Part 1: Photographs: 20 questions	Part 1: Photographs: 10 questions	
Part 2: Question – Response: 30 questions	Part 2: Question – Response: 30 questions	
Part 3: Short conversation: 30 questions	Part 3: Short conversation: 30 questions (10 conversations, 3 questions each)	
Part 4: Short talks: 20 questions	Part 4: Short talks: 30 questions (10 short talks, 3 questions each)	
Section 2 – Reading Comprehension	Section 2 – Reading Comprehension	
Part 5: Incomplete sentences: 40 questions	Part 5: Incomplete sentences: 40 questions	
Part 6: Error recognition: 20 questions	Part 6: Replaced with text completion: 12 questions (4 reading sets, 3 questions each)	
Part 7: Reading comprehension: 40 questions	Part 7: Reading comprehension: 48 total questions Single Passages: 28 questions Double Passages: 20 questions	

## Find out more

If you have any questions or would like additional information about the new TOEIC Listening and Reading Test, contact the TOEIC Testing Program:

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## **Test Dates for 2007** In the United States and Canada

January 13	
February 10	
March 10	
April 14	

May 12 June 9 July 14 August 18 September 15 October 13 November 10



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