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TOEFL SYLLABUS

The TOEFL syllabus for iBT tests students' reading, writing, listening and speaking skills. Here we cover the TOEFL exam format covering writing syllabus, reading syllabus, listening syllabus, and speaking syllabus:

Reading Comprehension: In this section, you will read 3-5 passages and answer 12-14 questions about each passage. The section is scored based on the number of correct reading comprehension responses.

Question type: 3–5 passages, 12–14 questions each

Total no. of questions: About 50

Total time: 60–100 minutes

Listening Comprehension: In the test section, you will hear short conversations as well as long conversations. After the short conversation, you will be asked one question and multiple choices of answers will be given. You have to choose one answer. In the long conversations, you will be asked multiple questions based on the conversation.

Question type: a) 4–6 lectures (3-5 minutes long, about 500-800 words), 6 questions each; About 30 questions in total

b) 2–3 conversations (about 3 minutes long, about 12-25 exchanges), 5 questions each; About 12 questions in total

Total no. of questions: 40+

Total time: 60–90 minutes

Speaking: For you to earn the highest scores in the Speaking Section, your responses must fulfill the demands of the task given with only minor mistakes or lapses. The test graders are looking for a highly intelligible and sustained conversation. There are three main factors that comprise scoring for the section.

Question type:

a) 2 independent tasks (prep time: 15 sec; response time: 45 sec)

b) 2 integrated tasks – Read/Listen/Speak (prep time: 30 sec; response time: 60 sec)

c) 2 integrated tasks – Listen/Speak (prep time: 20 sec; response time: 60 sec)

Total no. of questions: 6

Total time: 20 minutes

Writing: The essay should effectively address a topic. The response should be well-organized and well-developed using relevant explanations and detailed support. Furthermore, it should also display unity, progression, and coherence. If you want to achieve a high writing score, make sure that you demonstrate the syntactic variety and appropriate word choice with minor grammatical errors.

Question type:

a) 1 integrated task – Read/Listen/Write (20 minutes) (reading time: 3 min; listening time: 2 min; writing: 15 min)

b) 1 independent task (30 minutes)

Total no. of questions: 2

Total time: 50 minutes