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# Introduction

# A. Information on the TOEFL® iBT

# The Format of the TOEFL® iBT

Section	Number of Questions	Timing	Score
Reading	<ul> <li>3~5 Passages</li> <li>approximately 700 words each</li> <li>12~14 questions per passage</li> </ul>	60~100 min.	30 points
Listening	<ul> <li>2~3 Conversations</li> <li>12~25 exchanges each (3 min.)</li> <li>5 questions per conversation</li> <li>4~6 Lectures</li> <li>500~800 words each (3~5 min.)</li> <li>6 questions per lecture</li> </ul>	60~90 min.	30 points
BREAK		10 min.	
Speaking	<ul> <li>2 Independent Tasks (preparation: 15 sec. / response: 45 sec.)</li> <li>1 personal experience</li> <li>1 personal choice/opinion</li> <li>2 Integrated Tasks: Read-Listen-Speak (preparation: 30 sec. / response: 60 sec.)</li> <li>1 campus situation topic  – reading: 75~100 words (45 sec.)  – conversation: 150~180 words (60~80 sec.)</li> <li>1 academic course topic  – reading: 75~100 words (45 sec.)  – lecture: 150~220 words (60~90 sec.)</li> <li>2 Integrated Tasks: Listen-Speak (preparation: 20 sec. / response: 60 sec.)</li> <li>1 campus situation topic  – conversation: 180~220 words (60~90 sec.)</li> <li>1 academic course topic  – lecture: 230~280 words (90~120 sec.)</li> </ul>	20 min.	30 points
Writing	<ul> <li>1 Integrated Task: Read-Listen-Write (20 min.) <ul> <li>reading: 230~300 words (3 min.)</li> <li>lecture: 230~300 words (2 min.)</li> <li>a summary of 150~225 words</li> </ul> </li> <li>1 Independent Task (30 min.) <ul> <li>a minimum 300-word essay</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	50 min.	30 points

# B. Information on the Listening Section

The Listening section of the TOEFL® iBT measures test takers' ability to understand spoken English in English-speaking colleges and universities. This section has 2~3 conversations that are 12~25 exchanges (about 3 minutes) long and 4~6 lectures that are 500~800 words (3~5 minutes) long. Each conversation is followed by 5 questions and each lecture by 6 questions. Therefore, test takers have to answer 34~51 questions in total. The time allotted to the Listening section is 60~90 minutes, including the time spent listening to the conversations and lectures and answering the questions.

## 1. Types of Listening Passages

- (1) Conversations
  - \_ Between a student and a professor or a teaching assistant during office hours
  - \_ Between a student with a person related to school services such as a librarian, housing director, bookstore employee, etc.
- (2) Lectures
  - \_ Monologue lectures delivered by a professor unilaterally
  - \_ Interactive lectures with one or two students asking questions or making comments
  - \* One lecture may be spoken with a British or Australian accent.

## 2. Types of Questions

### Basic Comprehension Questions

- (1) Listening for Main Ideas \_ This type of question asks you to identify the overall topic or main idea of a lecture or conversation.
- (2) Listening for Main Purpose \_ This type of question asks you why the speakers are having a conversation or why a lecture is given.
- (3) Listening for Major Details \_ This type of question asks you to understand specific details or facts from a conversation or lecture.

### Pragmatic Understanding Questions

- (4) Understanding the Function of What Is Said
  - \_ This type of question asks you why a speaker mentions some point in the conversation or lecture.
  - \_ This involves replaying part of the listening passage.
- (5) Understanding the Speaker's Attitude
  - \_ This type of question asks you what a speaker's feelings, opinions, or degree of certainty is about some issue, idea, or person.
  - \_ This may involve replaying part of the listening passage.

### Connecting Information Questions

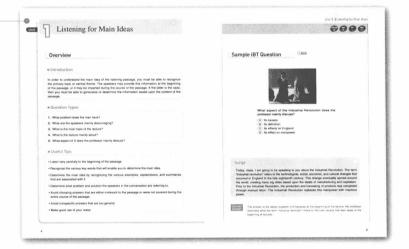
- (6) Understanding Organization \_ This type of question asks you how the listening passage is organized or how two portions of the listening passage are related to each other.
- (7) Connecting Content \_ This type of question asks you to classify or sequence information in a different way from the way it was presented in the listening passage.
- (8) Making Inferences \_ This type of question asks you to draw a conclusion based on information given in the listening passage.

# How to Use This Book

How to Master Skills for the TOEFL® iBT Listening Advanced is designed to be used either as a textbook for a TOEFL® iBT listening preparation course or as a tool for individual learners who are preparing for the TOEFL® test on their own. With a total of 8 units, this book is organized to prepare you for the test with a comprehensive understanding of the test and thorough analysis of every question type. Each unit consists of 6 parts and provides a step-by-step program that provides question-solving strategies and the development of test-taking abilities. At the back of the book are two actual tests of the Listening section of the TOEFL® iBT.

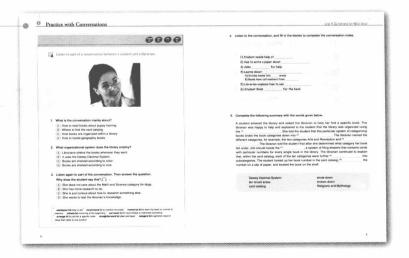
# 1 Overview

This part is designed to prepare you for the type of question the unit covers. You will be given a full description of the question type and its application in the passage. You also will be given some useful tips as well as an illustrated introduction and sample.



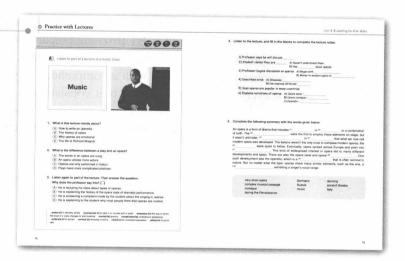
# 2 Practice with Conversations

This part is one of the two practical exercise sections where you can actually practice and improve your ability to solve questions. With a total of 4 conversations, you will be able to confirm your understanding of the question types and master skills presented in each unit. Well-organized notes will be given to help you understand the material, and glossed vocabulary will also be given to help you solve the questions. Dictation practice material is downloadable at www. darakwon.co.kr.



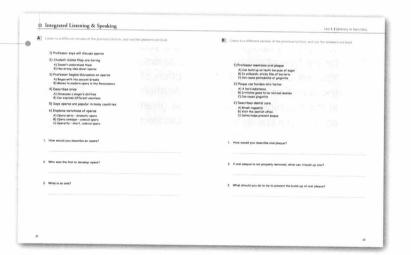
# 3 Practice with Lectures

This part is the other practical exercise section where you can actually practice and improve your ability to solve questions. With a total of 4 lectures, you will be able to confirm your understanding of the question types and master skills presented in each unit. Glossed vocabulary and well-organized notes will be given to help you understand the material and answer the questions. Dictation practice material is downloadable at www.darakwon.co.kr.



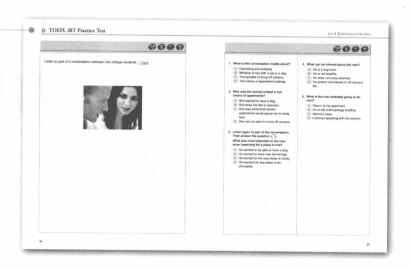
# 4 Integrated Listening & Speaking

The TOEFL® iBT is different from previous tests in that it is more integrated than ever. So in this part, you are given the chance to experience the iBT style study by linking your listening skills with your speaking skills. Listen to the different versions of the previous lectures, and answer the questions. But remember! This time you have to say the answers. There is no writing.



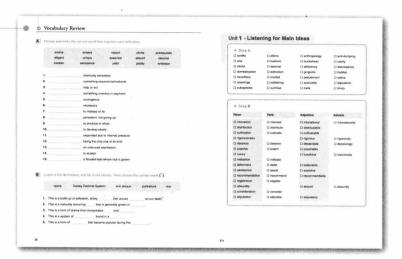
# **5** TOEFL iBT Practice Test

This part will give you a chance to experience an actual TOEFL® iBT test. You will be given a conversation with 5 questions and a lecture with 6 questions. The topics are similar to those on the actual test, as are the questions.



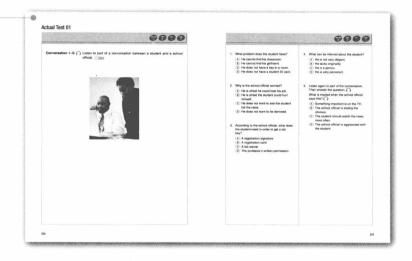
# **6** Vocabulary Review

This part offers you a chance to review some of the words and phrases you need to remember after finishing each unit. Vocabulary words for each unit are also provided at the back of the book to help you prepare for each unit.



# Actual Test

This part offers two full practice tests that are modeled on the Listening section of the TOEFL® iBT. This will familiarize you with the actual test format of the TOEFL® iBT.



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# PART Basic Comprehension

Basic comprehension of the listening passage is tested in three ways: listening for the main ideas, listening for the main purpose, and listening for the major details. Listening for the main ideas is to identify the overall topic of the contents. Listening for the main purpose is to search for the reason behind the contents. For questions about the major details, you must understand and remember explicit details or facts from a lecture or conversation.

- Unit 1 Listening for Main Ideas
   Music / Agriculture / Public Health / Literature
- Unit 2 Listening for Main Purpose
   Zoology / Geology / Astronomy / Climatology
- Unit 3 Listening for Major Details
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# Listening for Main Ideas

# **Overview**

## ■ Introduction

In order to understand the main idea of the listening passage, you must be able to recognize the primary topic or central theme. The speakers may provide this information at the beginning of the passage, or it may be imparted during the course of the passage. If the latter is the case, then you must be able to generalize or determine the information based upon the content of the passage.

# Question Types

- 1. What problem does the man have?
- 2. What are the speakers mainly discussing?
- 3. What is the main topic of the lecture?
- 4. What is the lecture mainly about?
- 5. What aspect of X does the professor mainly discuss?

# Useful Tips

- Listen very carefully to the beginning of the passage.
- · Recognize the various key words that will enable you to determine the main idea.
- Determine the main idea by recognizing the various examples, explanations, and summaries that are associated with it.
- Determine what problem and solution the speakers in the conversation are referring to.
- Avoid choosing answers that are either irrelevant to the passage or not covered during the entire course of the passage.
- Avoid nonspecific answers that are too general.
- · Make good use of your notes.









# Sample iBT Question





What aspect of the Industrial Revolution does the professor mainly discuss?

- (A) Its causes.
- B Its definition.
- C Its effects on England.
- D Its effect on manpower.

# Script

Today, class, I am going to be speaking to you about the Industrial Revolution. The term "industrial revolution" refers to the technological, social, economic, and cultural changes that occurred in England in the late eighteenth century. This change eventually spread around the world, creating many big cities based upon the ideals of manufacturing and capitalism. Prior to the Industrial Revolution, the production and harvesting of products was completed through manual labor. The Industrial Revolution replaced this manpower with machine power.



The answer to the above question is B because at the beginning of the lecture, the professor describes what the term "industrial revolution" refers to. You can usually find main ideas at the beginning of lectures.





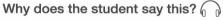




Listen to part of a conversation between a student and a librarian. 1-02



- 1. What is the conversation mainly about?
  - A How to read books about puppy training.
  - B) Where to find the card catalog.
  - C How books are organized within a library.
  - D How to locate geography books.
- 2. What organizational system does the library employ?
  - A Librarians shelve the books wherever they want.
  - B It uses the Dewey Decimal System.
  - © Books are shelved according to color.
  - D Books are shelved according to size.
- 3. Listen again to part of the conversation. Then answer the question.



- A She does not care about the Math and Science category for dogs.
- (B) She has more research to do.
- © She is just curious about how to research something else.
- D She wants to test the librarian's knowledge.
- assistance (n) help or aid recommend (v) to mention favorably memorize (v) to learn by heart; to commit to memory • initially (ad) occurring at the beginning • narrow (v) to have limited or restricted something
- arrange (v) to put into a specific order straightforward (a) plain and open category (n) a general class of ideas that relate to one another

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