

TACTICS FOR TOEIC

Unit 22

Listening Test Part 1 - Photographs

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A. **FOCUS:** Listening for the correct prepositions

Being aware of similar sounding words

Some questions in this section test your understanding of position and direction. Being familiar with the words used to describe where things are and where they are going will help you score well on this part of the test.

Test Tip

Listening for preposition

Most distractors in Many TOEIC test Part 1 statements talk about the position of people or objects in the picture.

Listen carefully for wrong prepositions in these pictures.

1 Language building: Listen for prepositions of position and motion

- A. Look at Pictures 1 and 2, then read the sentences below. Work with your partner and decide which picture is being described, and if the sentences is TRUE or FALSE.
1. The woman is on the counter.
 2. The paper is next to the keyboard.
 3. The computer is behind the woman.
 4. the phone is in front of the woman.
 5. The man is next to the board.
 6. The keyboard is on the desk.
- B. Work with partner and use the vocabulary below to make as many sentences as possible about the pictures.

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1.



2.



3.



4.



Possible prepositions used

on
in front of
behind
between
next to
through
along

Possible nouns used

phone
platform
counter
walkway
computer
board
woman/man
train

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C. Look at the following two pictures and the four sentences below. Use prepositions from the box on previous slide to complete the sentences.

1.



2.



1. The couple are standingthe house.
2. The young girl is ridingher father.
3. The man isthe woman.
4. They are ridingthe street.

2 Test Tactic: Be Beware of similar sounding words

A. Incorrect answers may include words that sound similar to key words you can see in the picture. Look at the two sentences below each picture (one correct and one incorrect) and underline any key words that sound similar.

Test Tip

Be careful of similar sounds

If you hear a word that sounds similar to a word you can see or imagine in the picture, it may be a distractor.



The man is pointing at something.
The man is painting something.



The people are setting the table.
The people are sitting around the table.

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3.



The ship is in the harbor.
The sheep is near the water.

4.



The woman is walking along the street.
The woman is working long hours.

B. Look at the following two pictures and write two correct sentences about each one.
Underline any prepositions you use.

1.



2.



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C. Listen to four statements about each picture. After each statement, pause the audio and tell your partner (a) any prepositions you heard and (b) any words that sound similar to words you can see in the picture. Then tick if you think the sentence is correct or wrong.

- (A) Correct Wrong
(B) Correct Wrong
(C) Correct Wrong
(D) Correct Wrong

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(B) Correct Wrong
(C) Correct Wrong
(D) Correct Wrong

Follow up: Compare the sentences you first made and the correct sentence with your partner.

3 Tactic practice Listening 1.59

Use the tactics you have practiced for the next three pictures. You will have one minute to (a) brainstorm vocabulary and (b) predict possible statements with a partner. Then listen to and echo (silently) the answer choices, and after you hear each, mark whether it is correct, maybe correct, or wrong.

1.



- (A) Correct Maybe correct Wrong
(B) Correct Maybe correct Wrong
(C) Correct Maybe correct Wrong
(D) Correct Maybe correct Wrong

Tactics Checklist

- ✓ Listen for wrong prepositions.
- ✓ Be careful of similar sounds.

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Understanding Natural English

English has many words that sound similar. Note the similar words said in each pair below.

Hefor hours.

Hefor hours.

Theis in the water.

Theis near the water.

The manthe food.

The manthe food.

2.



(A) Correct

Maybe correct

Wrong

(B) Correct

Maybe correct

Wrong

(C) Correct

Maybe correct

Wrong

(D) Correct

Maybe correct

Wrong

3.



(A) Correct

Maybe correct

Wrong

(B) Correct

Maybe correct

Wrong

(C) Correct

Maybe correct

Wrong

(D) Correct

Maybe correct

Wrong



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Follow up: Now compare your answers with your partner, explaining your reasons, and what you remember hearing.

B

Mini Test



Listening 1.61

Now practice what you have learnt at the actual test speed with questions 1-8.



Use any time available to skim the first pictures before the listening starts. After that you will have 5 seconds between each question to make your answer and focus on the next picture.

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1



2



3



4



5



6



7



8



| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | A | B | C | D | 5 | A | B | C | D |
| 2 | A | B | C | D | 6 | A | B | C | D |
| 3 | A | B | C | D | 7 | A | B | C | D |
| 4 | A | B | C | D | 8 | A | B | C | D |

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C Learn by doing: Right or wrong!

In this game you will take turns reading statements about the pictures below and on slide 10.

Student A. Look at Activity file 22a on slide 13. You will ask your partner questions about Set A.

Student B. Look at Activity file 22b on slide 15. You will ask your partner questions about Set B.

Choose one picture from your set, tell your partner the number, then read one of the two statements about it.

For each picture, your partner has the chance to win up to three points:

| | |
|-----------|---|
| One Point | if they can say if the statement is right or wrong |
| One Point | if they can say why the distractor is wrong |
| One Point | if they can spot (and say) the wrong prepositions or similar sounds |

The winner is the person with the most points at the end of the game.

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Set A

1



2



3



4



5



6



7



8



9



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Set B

1



2



3



4



5



6



7



8



9



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D Further study.

Choose a word group from the list a – d. Look up any words you aren't sure of in a dictionary.

Write two sentences using at least two of the words, **plus one preposition**, then choose one of the sentences and make a simple drawing of it.

In your next lesson, show your partner the drawing read your two sentences and see if they can identify the correct sentence!

a) Bag / big / bug

b) tree / three / flea

c) boy/ bay/ toy

d) pig/ peg/ big

Example

The bug is in the big bag.

The big bug is behind the bag.



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Activity File 22a

1. [PREPOSITION]

A. The man is on the top of the car.

B. The man is leaning against the car.



2. [SIMILAR SOUND]

A. The woman's hand is touching the box.

B. The woman is turning the handle.



3. [SIMILAR SOUND]

A. The flight attendant is wearing a red jacket.

B. The door is very light.



4. [SIMILAR SOUND]

A. The man is re-sitting the test.

B. The man is sitting next to the control panel.



5. [PREPOSITION]

A. The man is behind the computer.

B. The keyboard is in front of the computer.



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Activity File 22a

6. [SIMILAR SOUND]

A. The man is cleaning the glass.

B. The man is cutting the grass.



7. [PREPOSITION]

A. The papers are on the desk.

B. The papers are under the desk.



8. [REPOSITION]

A. The skiers are under the snow.

B. People are on the chair lift.



9. [SIMILAR SOUND]

A. The woman looks at the doors.

B. There are locks on the doors.



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Activity File 22b

1. [SIMILAR SOUND]

- A. The plates are on the counter.
- B. The man is counting the plates.



2. [PREPOSITION]

- A. The student is leaning against the locker.
- B. The student is looking inside the locker.



3. [SIMILAR SOUND]

- A. The man is shipping some food.
- B. The customer is shopping for food.



4. [SIMILAR SOUND]

- A. The man tastes the food.
- B. The man is tests the soil.



5. [SIMILAR SOUND]

- A. The people hide behind the building.
- B. The people hold umbrellas.



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Activity File 22a

6. [SIMILAR SOUND]

A. The diners sit around the table.

B. Their dinner is on the table.



7. [PREPOSITION]

A. The scientist is on the table.

B. The student is in the laboratory.



8. [REPOSITION]

A. The people walk along the sidewalk.

B. The commuters are between the buses.



9. [SIMILAR SOUND]

A. The man is by a sign.

B. The man is going to resign.



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Quiz 22

1. Complete the sentences with the following words.

| | | | |
|---------------|----------|---------|----------|
| control panel | counter | cycling | decorate |
| harbor | keyboard | display | outfit |
| pointed | set | raise | decorate |

1. Theis next to the computer.
2. I need a newfor my cousin's wedding next month.
3. Please pay for your goods at the
4. Dinner is nearly ready – could youthe table, please?
5. When the World Cup final was showing on television, the shops were
6. Children always get excited when theythe classroom with pictures.
7. 7. Let's go down to the, and we can watch all the boats come in.
8.is good exercise.
9. The art people were put onin the main hall.
10. If there's problem, thelights up and shows you what's wrong.
11. Do you think they will everthe *Titanic* from the sea bed?
12. The teacherto the capital cities on the map.

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Quiz 22

2. Choose the correct word to complete the definition.

1. A *customer / commuter* travels to work everyday.
2. A *flight attendant / control panel* works on board a plane.
3. To *decorate / sweep* means to clean the floor with a broom.
4. You can keep your personal items in a *locker / counter*.
5. A person paying for goods is a *customer / counter*.
6. A *walker / harbor* is used by pedestrians.
7. When you are *pointing / hiding* no-one can see you.
8. To *lean / loan* means to stand at an angle.

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Part 2**

Question - Response

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