

# OXFORD preparation course for the TOEIC® test

## Practice Test 1

### Tapescripts

#### PART 1

Example:

- (A) They're leaving the room.
- (B) They're turning on the machine.
- (C) They're standing near the table.
- (D) They're reading the newspaper.

1. (A) They're looking at the monitor on the desk.  
(B) They're moving the computer next to them.  
(C) They're turning on the light over the table.  
(D) They're cleaning their glasses with a cloth.
2. (A) The dentist is examining the patient.  
(B) The technician is repairing the equipment.  
(C) The electrician is changing the light bulb.  
(D) The service attendant is pumping gas.
3. (A) He's late paying his taxes.  
(B) He's signaling for a cab.  
(C) He's getting out of the taxi.  
(D) He's waving from a window.
4. (A) The journalist is sharpening his pencil.  
(B) The man is running in circles.  
(C) The papers are stacked under the table.  
(D) The reader is circling items in the newspaper.
5. (A) The employees are working on their computers.  
(B) The trade show is showing new technologies.  
(C) The stockbrokers are taking off their coats.  
(D) The software packages are on top of the desk.
6. (A) They're shaking hands outside a building.  
(B) They're greeting their colleagues by the reception area.  
(C) They're opening their briefcases.  
(D) They're taking a walk.
7. (A) The performer is taking a bow.  
(B) The presenter is holding her notes.  
(C) The woman is drawing on the wall.  
(D) The trainer is handing out materials.

8. (A) One man is hanging up his jacket.  
(B) Both men are getting ready to leave.  
(C) One man is putting on his jacket.  
(D) Both men are sitting at the desk.
9. (A) The woman's standing in front of the man.  
(B) The man's holding a loan form in his hand.  
(C) The woman's waiting in the taxi for him.  
(D) The man's talking on his mobile phone.
10. (A) The carts are lined up outside the station.  
(B) The park is covered with leaves.  
(C) The buses are parked outside the building.  
(D) The terminal is under construction.

#### PART 2

Example:

Where is the meeting room?

- (A) To meet the new director.
- (B) It's the first room on the right.
- (C) Yes, at two o'clock.

11. When will the session begin?  
(A) The mayor will arrive tomorrow.  
(B) In the convention center.  
(C) After the president's speech.
12. Who can take this package to the shipping department?  
(A) We packed it ourselves.  
(B) The ship leaves next Friday.  
(C) George can do it after lunch.
13. Let's close that window.  
(A) Why? Are you cold?  
(B) We gave the widow clothes.  
(C) She's close to us.
14. Did you watch the news last evening?  
(A) No, the paper didn't arrive.  
(B) I just saw the last five minutes.  
(C) Yes, she surprised us at the door.
15. The mail is late today.  
(A) The male ate yesterday.  
(B) With him, we are eight.  
(C) Let me know when it comes.
16. What type of vacation are you planning?  
(A) I have over fifty varieties of plants.  
(B) I'd like to go on a cruise.  
(C) I'll be gone from August 12 to August 21.

- 17.** Do you think someone could take me to the airport?  
 (A) I will. My car is right outside.  
 (B) You should check in an hour before your flight.  
 (C) His plane already took off.
- 18.** How long will it take for us to receive the new parts?  
 (A) I don't like modern art.  
 (B) Around four weeks.  
 (C) We arrive by ship.
- 19.** Which company car did she choose?  
 (A) She traded in her car last year.  
 (B) The company pays for insurance, gas and parking.  
 (C) I don't think she has decided yet.
- 20.** When is the last day of the sale?  
 (A) The store wants to empty the shelves.  
 (B) It was sold yesterday.  
 (C) The sale is already over.
- 21.** Are you going to the marketing seminar?  
 (A) The lectures are very helpful.  
 (B) My boss is speaking, so I have to go.  
 (C) It will only take half a day.
- 22.** All this work makes me hungry.  
 (A) I ate too much at work, too.  
 (B) The workers come from Hungary.  
 (C) Let's go get something to eat.
- 23.** What is the final destination of this train?  
 (A) The last stop is Tokyo Station.  
 (B) It is scheduled to arrive at 6:45.  
 (C) It will land at Frankfurt International Airport.
- 24.** Why hasn't she made that phone call?  
 (A) The number is 5680-879.  
 (B) She hasn't had time to call.  
 (C) They sell phone cards next door.
- 25.** When will they show the president's interview?  
 (A) Mary O'Donnell asked some very good questions.  
 (B) It is scheduled for 5 p.m.  
 (C) It was taped yesterday.
- 26.** How would you like to pay for your tickets?  
 (A) I'll pick them up this afternoon.  
 (B) The price is lower than the last time.  
 (C) I'll put them on my credit card.
- 27.** Why don't you go to the doctor?  
 (A) It's only a headache.  
 (B) The boat's at the dock.  
 (C) I want to be an actor.
- 28.** Where are we going to meet them for dinner?  
 (A) Let's have an early meal.  
 (B) At the new restaurant in the mall.  
 (C) I'm so full, I can't eat another bite.
- 29.** How far is the hotel from the office?  
 (A) At the most, it's five minutes by car.  
 (B) They offer a shuttle service.  
 (C) It is one of the top hotels in the area.
- 30.** Don't answer the phone if it rings.  
 (A) I won't answer the letter.  
 (B) It may be an important call.  
 (C) She took out a loan to buy a ring.
- 31.** Wasn't the performance last night spectacular?  
 (A) It was the best I've ever seen.  
 (B) No, they won't meet their objectives.  
 (C) It should be very good.
- 32.** Did they know about the reorganization?  
 (A) Yes, it will be very useful.  
 (B) Yes, everyone received the email about it.  
 (C) No, she isn't very organized.
- 33.** Are the insurance agents coming this afternoon or tomorrow?  
 (A) The gate agents are boarding the flight.  
 (B) They promised to be here no later than 2 o'clock today.  
 (C) Our policy expires at the end of the month.
- 34.** Who should I talk to about my expenses?  
 (A) I walked to work.  
 (B) This is one of the most expensive cities in the country.  
 (C) Richard can help you.
- 35.** Can you explain to the customer why the order is late?  
 (A) I arrived at ten minutes past eight.  
 (B) I'll go and talk to her now.  
 (C) She's never late.
- 36.** When can you come in for an interview?  
 (A) The view is beautiful at sunset.  
 (B) I would like to meet in your office.  
 (C) I'm available all week.
- 37.** I can never remember which office is hers.  
 (A) I think it's the one at the end of the hall.  
 (B) She can never find her office.  
 (C) The other members are never here.
- 38.** Why was the budget rejected?  
 (A) It didn't show enough profit.  
 (B) They turned down the offer.  
 (C) The pilot ejected from the plane.

39. Where should we store this equipment?  
 (A) The store is closed today.  
 (B) There is space in the back office.  
 (C) We'll equip the team with new rackets.
40. Can you recommend a dentist in the area?  
 (A) Let me give you the number of mine.  
 (B) Sure, I'll be glad to go with you.  
 (C) Our insurance doesn't cover dental work.

## PART 3

### Questions 41 through 43 refer to the following conversation.

- Woman: Jack, Mr. Gomez wants to see you in his office.  
 Man: Do you know why? I hope I haven't done anything wrong.  
 Woman: Relax. He just wants to go over some numbers.  
 Man: OK, just let me finish writing this email. It'll only take me about fifteen minutes.  
 Woman: I'll tell him you'll be with him soon.

### Questions 44 through 46 refer to the following conversation.

- Man: Are you taking any vacation time in the next few months?  
 Woman: I'm not sure. Why do you ask?  
 Man: I'm trying to create a schedule of vacations so we can plan better.  
 Woman: Well, I was thinking of going away in October, but I don't have any plans yet.  
 Man: It's only January now, so I guess we don't have to worry about that yet.  
 Woman: I can't go before then. I have to wait until after the September marketing conference.  
 Man: And I have to go in July or August when my kids are out of school.

### Questions 47 through 49 refer to the following conversation.

- Woman: I just saw Yuko in the hall. Did you talk to her about the conference?  
 Man: No, she just got back to the office yesterday.  
 Woman: Well, talk to her soon. These things have to be planned well in advance.  
 Man: I'll talk to her about it before the end of the week.  
 Woman: Let me know her answer as soon as you do.

### Questions 50 through 52 refer to the following conversation.

- Man: You should come during the fall months for your next visit.  
 Woman: I will. It hasn't stopped raining since I got off the plane last week.  
 Man: At least it's been mild. Usually in April it's cool as well as wet.  
 Woman: Other than the weather, it's been a very pleasant vacation away from the office.  
 Man: I'm glad you've enjoyed it. I hope you'll bring your family with you next time.

### Questions 53 through 55 refer to the following conversation.

- Woman: Jerry, if you have some time, could you help me copy this report?  
 Man: I'll see what I can do. Carl and I will be busy meeting with some clients this afternoon.  
 Woman: Well, let me know. Remember, we have to send it to Roger's finance group first thing in the morning.  
 Man: That doesn't give us much time. Look, give it to me now, and I'll copy it during my lunch hour.

### Questions 56 through 58 refer to the following conversation.

- Man: The Council votes tonight on the expansion of the port.  
 Woman: It will mean a lot of work for us in the months ahead, if it's approved.  
 Man: I know, but it's not a sure bet. A lot of environmental groups are opposed to the plan.  
 Woman: Well, I hope it's approved. Local business will really benefit from it.

### Questions 59 through 61 refer to the following conversation.

- Woman: Where are you taking your wife for her birthday?  
 Man: I thought I'd take her to that little French place downtown. We haven't been there yet.  
 Woman: Be sure to make reservations. They've been fully booked since they opened.  
 Man: I called today. I got reservations for next Monday.  
 Woman: You'll enjoy it. My co-workers took me there to celebrate my promotion, and we all loved it.

**Questions 62 through 64 refer to the following conversation.**

- Man: I'm dropping off two rolls of film. Will they be ready for my assistant to pick up tomorrow?
- Woman: If she arrives after four, the pictures will be ready.
- Man: That'll be fine. I really appreciate it. What's the charge?
- Woman: For two rolls, it comes to twenty-six fifty.

**Questions 65 through 67 refer to the following conversation.**

- Woman: How long is your flight to Ankara?
- Man: Well, I fly from Chicago to New York to Paris, and then to Turkey. It's around sixteen hours.
- Woman: Better you than me. I don't enjoy those long trips anymore.
- Man: Oh, I don't mind them. I just take a long nap.
- Woman: I hope you're planning to take your own food. There's nothing worse than eating those airplane meals.

**Questions 68 through 70 refer to the following conversation.**

- Man: Here's a request form for those supplies you wanted me to get.
- Woman: I was just leaving for a meeting tonight. Can I complete it first thing in the morning?
- Man: Sure, but I'll need it on my desk by ten o'clock if you want those things before the end of the week.

## PART 4

**Questions 71 through 73 refer to the following speech.**

Good afternoon and welcome to the grand opening of the Metro Department Store. Here is a coupon for a free drink at our café. We are open until 9:00 this evening and there will be music and entertainment from 7:00 to 9:00. Today only, everything in the store is 15% off the listed price. In addition, if you apply for a Metro account, you will receive an additional 10% discount. Enjoy your shopping!

**Questions 74 through 76 refer to the following announcement.**

We'll begin our weekly meeting with an announcement. After months of searching, we're pleased to have finally found new office space. It took us longer than expected, but it was worth the wait.

The new office is on 9th and Ball, right across from *Dextech*. Since *Dextech* is one of our largest accounts, the location couldn't be more convenient. We'll be moving the first week of October, which is just one month away. We have lots to do and will be asking for all of your help.

**Questions 77 through 79 refer to the following short talk.**

My name is Bob. First, I'll give you a tour of the facility and then we can talk about prices. I see that you're interested in tennis and swimming, so let's go out to the courts first. We have ten outdoor and five indoor courts and during peak times, reservations are recommended. Our club professional gives private lessons and offers an open clinic on Saturday mornings. The club team starts competition in early April. Next to the front desk, we have a pro shop where you can purchase equipment and clothes. We'll go down the stairs now to the swimming pool.

**Questions 80 through 82 refer to the following talk.**

Thank you for inviting me to speak tonight. I represent one of the fastest-growing organizations in the world. *Instant Marketing* has offices in fifty countries and more than 12,000 representatives. We began operations fifteen years ago. Since then, we have demonstrated how any organization can increase profits by identifying customers and their needs. Our business model can be used for any size business; from a multinational giant to a local entrepreneur. My goal tonight is to give you an idea of what *Instant Marketing* does and talk specifically about the role of an *Instant Marketing* representative.

I'll answer questions at the end and for those of you who are interested in becoming a representative, I have application forms.

**Questions 83 through 85 refer to the following short talk.**

Please, ladies and gentlemen, may I have your attention! It is my great privilege to introduce to you the man who revolutionized our industry. In 2004, consumption of red meat had hit an all-time low in this country. The man who is with us here tonight was able to turn that around with the introduction of his brilliant advertising campaign. As a result, not only were ad campaigns changed forever, but meat consumption reached an all-time high. Join me in welcoming our hero, Mr. George Neal.

**Questions 86 through 88 refer to the following announcement.**

Attention all passengers. In approximately 30 minutes we will be crossing the border. A customs official will pass by each compartment to check all passengers'

documents. You will not be allowed to leave the train, so please do not get off. It is necessary to present documents for all passengers, so for those traveling with small children, please have all your papers together. As a reminder, no locally grown fruits or vegetables can be transported across the border. The officials will have containers for any items that need to be discarded. If you have any items to declare, please complete one of the appropriate forms. Thank you for your attention.

**Questions 89 through 91 refer to the following talk.**

Today we will conclude this year's series of talks on design in the workplace. Many of us began to work when a symbol of success was the corner office. Then the workplace environment changed with the concept of open space and cubicles. Our host tonight will lead a discussion with five workplace designers about the effectiveness and limitations of open space. They will discuss the latest trends and show us examples of their innovative designs. Afterwards, three members of the audience have brought videos of their current offices which we'll look at and the experts will comment on.

**Questions 92 through 94 refer to the following announcement.**

The Commission on Excellence in Innovation has received over 500 entries in this year's contest. A panel of 25 judges has reviewed each of the entries in depth. This process, as you can imagine, has been time-consuming. However, the Commission is pleased to announce the winners of the contest. The top five entries will receive a one-year scholarship at the Commission's headquarters in Bern, Switzerland. There, the winners will be able to continue their research and experimentation with all costs covered. The grand winner, in addition to the year in Bern, will receive a cash award of \$100,000. Before announcing the winners, we would like to congratulate all contestants for the fine work that was submitted.

**Questions 95 through 97 refer to the following news report.**

People's dissatisfaction with their appearance continues to increase. Five years ago the International Committee on Personal Image was formed to address this problem. The committee is concerned with improving people's attitudes towards their bodies. Committee members, who represent twenty-four countries around the world, all agree that people in their countries are not satisfied with how they look. This is a serious issue that can lead to a range of problems. Unhappy people react by spending a lot of money on surgery, expensive beauty

treatments and designer clothes. Some people even suffer from eating disorders. The committee has announced that next week is "International Body Image Week," and they hope that people worldwide will learn how to stay healthy and happy. Our convention center will offer fun activities about nutrition and exercise throughout the entire week. Everyone is welcome to attend this free special event.

**Questions 98 through 100 refer to the following advertisement.**

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