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はしがき

21世紀に入って、世界がボーダーレス化していき、様々な国の人々がインターネット、電子メール、電話を通じて交流しています。その中で英語が世界共通語として使用されていることも事実です。

TOEICが英語力測定の国際的な標準テストとなりつつあります。執筆者の勤務する大学では、日々の講義に多くの学生さんからTOEIC受験対策に適応した学習法に関する質問が絶えず寄せられます。また日本の多くの大学がTOEIC対策講座を開設しているのが現状です。

この教科書は多くのTOEIC受験希望者の要望にこたえるように作成しました。まずそれぞれのユニットのテーマが統一されているため、そのトピックに関連する語彙が集中的・効率的に学習できます。さらにTOEIC初級者から中級者へのレベルアップに合わせるように徐々にレベルを上げているために、学力アップを実感できます。

大学生の就職難が問題とされる今日、多くの企業がTOEICのスコアを重視しています。さらに英語を社内の公用語化とする企業も増加しつつあります。大学生時代にTOEICで高いスコアをあげられるようになれば、それだけ就職に有利になります。この教材を通して、英語力が強く求められる状況で多くの大学生の資格取得の声にもこたえられるような効率的な学習が可能であると信じます。

この教科書の執筆にあたり、貴重なアドバイスをいただいた佐々木元英宝社社長、編集をしてくださった宇治正夫様、九州アメリカ文学会会長小谷耕二九州大学教授、写真やビジネスに関する情報を提供していただいた山口麻衣様、Isa Kroeger様、Fernando Smolders様、トムソン・ロイター社のNigel Fuller様とスタッフの方々、福岡歯科大学医科歯科総合病院のスタッフの皆様に感謝の気持ちを表したいと思います。

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Unit 1

Shopping: Daily Life

Warm-up quiz

Choose the correct definition for each of the words below.

(1) carry	(　　)	(A) カードを磁気読み取り機に通す
(2) complicated	(　　)	(B) 商品として置いている
(3) detective	(　　)	(C) 複雑な
(4) detergent	(　　)	(D) 探偵
(5) swipe	(　　)	(E) 洗剤

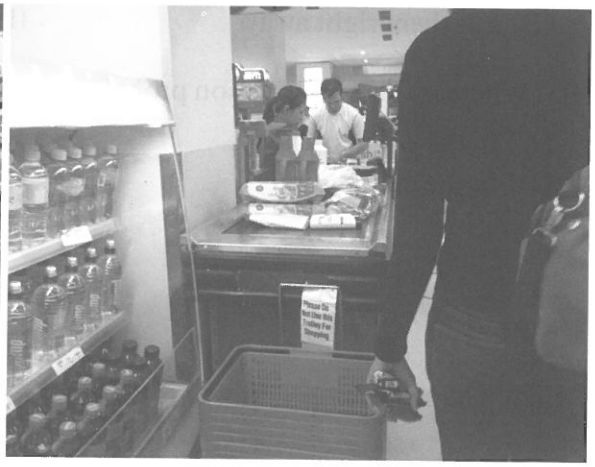
Part 1

Look at the picture, and choose the statement that best describes what you see in the picture.

1.

(A)　(B)　(C)　(D)

2.



(A)　(B)　(C)　(D)

Part 2

Listen and choose the best response to each question or statement. CD

3. Mark your answer on your answer sheet. (A) (B) (C)

4. Mark your answer on your answer sheet. (A) (B) (C)

5. Mark your answer on your answer sheet. (A) (B) (C)

6. Mark your answer on your answer sheet. (A) (B) (C)

Part 3

Listen to a short conversation, and choose the best answer for each question. CD

7. Which statement is true?

(A) The woman will buy five apples for one dollar.
(B) The woman will buy six apples for five dollars.
(C) The woman will buy three apples for three dollars.
(D) The woman will buy one apple for one dollar.

8. What does the man recommend she should do with these apples?

(A) Use them to make apple pie.
(B) Eat them right away.
(C) Don't buy them.
(D) Use them to make cookies.

9. Where is this conversation probably taking place?

(A) In the woman's home.
(B) In the man's home.
(C) At a supermarket.
(D) At an office.

Part 4

Listen to a short talk, and choose the best answer for each question. CD

10. How much cheaper is turkey breast than the regular price?

(A) 14 cents (B) 14 percent (C) 40 cents (D) 40 percent

11. How much do you have to spend to get two loaves of rye bread?

(A) One dollar (B) Two dollars (C) Three dollars (D) Four dollars

12. How much cheaper is Swiss cheese than the regular price?

(A) 15 cents (B) 15 percent (C) 50 cents (D) 50 percent

Part 5

Choose the best answer to complete each sentence.

13. I asked my brother to give me a ride to the shopping mall because his car _____ a large luggage space and I had a lot of things to buy.

(A) has had (B) had had (C) have (D) has

14. The elevator of Mr. Richardson's apartment was out of order when he got home. So he _____ all the groceries up six flights of stairs.

(A) had to carry (B) has to carry (C) carries (D) has carried

15. Makoto ordered several books on the internet, and later that day he received an email saying that the books _____ by mail in a week.

(A) would be sending (C) will be sent
(B) would be sent (D) are sending

16. Let's double-check that all the food and drinks for tomorrow's barbecue party _____ ready.

(A) will be (B) are (C) is (D) should be

17. "Mom, I'm going shopping now, but I can't remember all the things you wanted from the grocery store."

"OK, I _____ write down a shopping list for you."

(A) did (B) would (C) will (D) need

Part 6

Choose the best answer to complete the text.

Questions 18-20 refer to the following book review:

Into the Fog is Judy Dyer's best _____ novel yet. This one is set in San Francisco,

18. (A) science-fiction
(B) mystery
(C) romance
(D) horror

where detective Dexter Moody is hired by a jealous and beautiful woman to spy on her husband. But what looks like a simple case of a troubled marriage soon turns much more complicated, _____ Dyer keeps us guessing until the last page.

19. (A) unless
(B) except
(C) however
(D) and

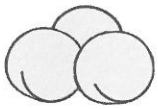
If you liked the other Dexter Moody novels, you're sure to love *Into the Fog*. I was so _____ by this book, I couldn't put it down!

20. (A) disgusted
(B) disgusting
(C) excited
(D) exciting

Part 7

Choose the best answer to the following questions.

Questions 21 through 24 refer to the following advertisement.



◇◇◇ **PICK YOUR OWN PEACHES** ◇◇◇

Fredericksberg Orchards has the most delicious peaches in Central Texas. Come during harvest season and you can pick your own peaches — right off the tree! You know they're fresh when you pick them yourself. Pay by the basket or by the pound.

Prices: $30 per large basket (approximately 30 pounds), $10 per small basket (approximately 8 pounds), $1.80 per pound for smaller amounts.

Hours: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday.

Note that we are only open for self-picking during the peach harvest season, which runs from late May to early August. You should try to come in the morning if you want the best peaches. If you'd like to bring your family later on a weekday afternoon or in the early evening, please call us at (512) 306-1836 to make an appointment.

21. How much would five pounds of peaches cost?

(A) $1.80 (B) $9 (C) $10 (D) $30

22. How late is the orchard normally open on Wednesdays?

(A) 1:00 in the afternoon.
(B) 3:00 in the afternoon.
(C) 7:00 in the evening.
(D) They aren't open on Wednesdays.

23. What should you do if you want to pick peaches on a Friday in March at 6 p.m.?

(A) You should just come to the orchard.
(B) You should bring your family.
(C) You should call to make a reservation.
(D) You cannot pick peaches in March.

24. Which of the following statements is NOT true?

(A) The cheapest way to buy peaches is by large baskets.
(B) The orchard is open until evening on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.
(C) The peach harvest season is in spring and summer.
(D) Afternoons are not the best time to choose peaches.

TOEIC® Testって何?:TOEIC IP Testとの違いは?

TOEICとは、Test of English for International Communicationの略称で、英語によるコミュニケーション能力を評価するためのテストです。問題はリスニングセクション（Part 1からPart 4まで）とリーディングセクション（Part 5からPart 7まで）各100問ずつに分かれていて、受験結果は10点から990点までのスコアで評価されます。スコアは、常に評価基準が一定に保たれるように調整されているので、どの試験を受けても不利益が生じることはありません。試験時間は約2時間です。

TOEIC IP Testとは、団体特別受験制度のことで、IPとはInstitutional Programの略称です。この試験は学校や企業ごとに、実施日や会場を任意に設定できます。公式認定証が発行されない、問題は過去に実施されたTOEIC公開テストの問題が使用される、など公開テストとの違いはありますが、スコアの有効性は公開テストと同様です。

TOEICの問題は、リスニングとリーディングの受動的能力を測定することにより、能動的能力も測定できるように工夫されていますが、TOEICとは別にTOEIC® SW Test というスピーキングとライティング能力の評価に特化したテストも行われています。この他、英語による基礎的な英語コミュニケーション能力を評価するための、TOEIC Bridgeというテストも実施されています。

Unit 2

Shopping: Big Purchases

Warm-up quiz

Choose the correct definition for each of the words below.

(1) appreciate ( )
(2) depart ( )
(3) leak ( )
(4) merchandise ( )
(5) roomy ( )

(A) to leave a place to start a journey
(B) to be grateful for something
(C) having much space inside; spacious
(D) the escape of liquid or gas through a small hole or crack in a container
(E) goods to be bought or sold

Part 1

Look at the picture, and choose the statement that best describes what you see in the picture.

1.

(A) (B) (C) (D)

2.

(A) (B) (C) (D)

Part 2

Listen and choose the best response to each question or statement. CD

3. Mark your answer on your answer sheet. (A) (B) (C)

4. Mark your answer on your answer sheet. (A) (B) (C)

5. Mark your answer on your answer sheet. (A) (B) (C)

6. Mark your answer on your answer sheet. (A) (B) (C)

Part 3

Listen to a short conversation, and choose the best answer for each question. CD

7. What is the man doing?

(A) Applying to join a sports club
(B) Looking at a car
(C) Shopping for a toy for his daughter
(D) Thinking about buying a stereo

8. Which feature is standard for all cars of this type?

(A) Black leather seats
(B) White leather seats
(C) A stereo system
(D) Satellite radio

9. Why will the man probably not buy the 200-M Sport Mini?

(A) He thinks it's too expensive.
(B) He doesn't like big cars.
(D) He doesn't like the woman.
(C) He hates music.

Part 4

Listen to a short talk, and choose the best answer for each question. CD

10. What is the subject of this advertisement?

(A) A speedboat (B) A restaurant (C) A hotel (D) A car

11. Why is the Tiger Turbo mentioned?

(A) Because it has more room inside than the Scimitar 300.
(B) Because it has less room inside than the Scimitar 300.
(C) Because it is very fast.
(D) Because it is very expensive.

12. What is NOT mentioned about the Scimitar 300?

(A) Its speed
(B) Its size
(C) Its price
(D) The location of the Scimitar dealer

Part 5

Choose the best answer to complete each sentence.

13. I can get a premium seat for the football game because I _____ the team fan club.

(A) belong
(B) belong to
(C) am belonging to
(D) have been belonged

14. My mother _____ in the quality of their products, but still she wants to try another company's merchandise.

(A) believes
(B) is believing
(C) is being believed
(D) have believed

15. Why don't you come here and check out this electric car? It _____ really good.

(A) was looked
(B) looks
(C) is being looked
(D) do look

16. Because the government has decided to increase the sales tax this summer, we _____ a car before then.

(A) buy
(B) bought
(C) have bought
(D) are planning to buy

17. I ordered a PC through the Internet a month ago, but it _____ yet.

(A) hasn't arrived
(B) hasn't been arrived
(C) hasn't been arriving
(D) isn't arriving

Part 6

Choose the best answer to complete the text.

Questions 18-20 refer to the following e-mail:

From: Zenith Travel
To: Charles Curry
Re: Your Travel Schedule

Dear Mr. Curry:

Attached is the schedule for your upcoming trip, departing from Seattle for Honolulu on March 17, and returning on March 31. You and your wife have purchased e-tickets, which means that no paper ticket will be issued to you. _____ , simply print the schedule and show it to the ticket agent at the

18. (A) Instead
(B) Because
(C) And
(D) Or

airport on the day of your departure.
Unfortunately, we were not able to seat you and your wife together. However, it may be possible to exchange seats with another _____ on the plane. We

19. (A) customer
(B) passenger
(C) guest
(D) tenant

appreciate your understanding.
You will be staying at the Royal Palms Hotel in Hokapoka Beach. Mr. Kawasaki, the hotel manager, will be happy to have you as his _____ , and will

20. (A) customer
(B) passenger
(C) guest
(D) tenant

do everything he can to help you enjoy your stay.

Part 7

Choose the best answer to the following questions.

Questions 21 through 24 refer to the following advertisement and email.

Classic Car for Sale! 1973 green Oldsmobile, original 8-cylinder engine, four-door, cloth seats, stereo. This big, comfortable car is perfect for long drives across the country! And it's in ALMOST NEW condition. It has had only one other owner, my grandmother, who drove it only once a week. $2000 or best offer! Call Matt at 535-1724 or email: carlvrmatt@mail.com. I keep the car parked on the corner of 38th Street and Riverside Road, so you can look at it there.

To: carlvrmatt@mail.com
From: oldsmaniac@yadda.com
Subject: Your ad

Hi, Matt, this is Pete. I came by yesterday to look at your car. I have to say, it's in bad condition, with lots of rust. The paint is scratched and faded and falling off, too, and there's a bad oil leak from the engine. One of the windows is broken, and that stereo is missing a knob. The tires will need to be replaced soon, too.
But I love 1970s Oldsmobiles, so I'd like to meet you for another look and a test drive. I could come on Tuesday after 5:00, if that's OK with you. But I'll warn you: unless the engine runs really well, I'm not going to offer you more than $1000.

21. Who was the previous owner of the car?

(A) Matt
(B) Matt's grandmother
(C) Pete
(D) Pete's grandmother

22. Which of the following statements is true?

(A) The car is new.
(B) The car is old.
(C) Pete isn't interested in the car.
(D) People must call Matt's phone if they want to see the car.

23. Which of the following is NOT a problem with the car?

(A) Matt's grandmother only drove it once a week.
(B) The paint is in poor condition.
(C) The engine is losing oil.
(D) The tires are in poor condition.

24. What does Pete want to do?

(A) He wants to buy the car.
(B) He wants to replace the tires.
(C) He wants to try driving the car.
(D) He wants to listen to the stereo.

TOEICとTOEFLの違い

TOEICもTOEFLも、合否ではなくスコアで評価が出るタイプの試験ですが、企業においてよく活用されていることからも分かるように、TOEICは日常生活に加えてビジネスシーンを使った問題がよく出題されるのが特徴です。このため、TOEICは新入社員の英語能力を評価するのに使われたり、海外出張等の基準になったり、昇格の際に考慮されたりしています。Unit 5のコラムで解説しているように、TOEICではイギリスやアメリカ以外の国々の英語も使われていますが、特にグローバルにビジネスを展開する企業への就職を目指す場合、あるいはそういった企業で働くことになった場合、様々な国の英語の発音や言い回しを知っておくと役に立つでしょう。

一方TOEFLは、留学をする場合、国や学校によって必要となるスコアで、その人物が英語での授業についていけるかどうか判断する基準となります。イギリスやオーストラリアではIELTSのスコアでも可という大学もありますが、例えばアメリカでは多くの大学でTOEFLのスコアを提出するよう求められるでしょう。現在日本の一般公開テストでは紙ベースの試験はなく、インターネットを使ったiBTのみとなっています。所要時間は4〜4.5時間とTOEICに比べてかなり長く、Reading, Listening, Speaking, Writingの4技能の試験で構成されています。