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The Complete Idiot's Guide to the TOEFL®
Psychology Press

This book probes into under-researched issues in L2 pragmatics. Firstly, pragmatic competence, pragmatic awareness and metapragmatic awareness are re-defined and clearly distinguished on theoretical grounds. Secondly, pragmatic competence and its manifestations are evaluated on empirical grounds by distinct criteria and validated testing measures. More importantly, genuine pragmatic inference is elicited in contexts of online interpretation where figurative speech plays a central role. Genre-specific discourse which occurs in editorials and news reports serves as a natural testbed for examining the role of advanced mind-reading abilities in developing pragmatic competence. Sperber and Wilson's relevance theory accommodates the findings of empirical assessment and yields new insights in the cognitive procedures activated during interpretation. The comprehensive theoretical and methodological treatment of pragmatic competence makes this book of interest to researchers and students in pragmatics, L2 theory and applications, genre studies, and to those concerned with the cognitive underpinnings of communication in L2.

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The Complete Idiot's Guide to the TOEFL provides students of English as a foreign language with a highly simplified approach to mastering the standard test of English-language proficiency for admission to undergraduate programs at more than 8,500 universities in English-speaking countries. Unlike the key competition, the book aims to cover both the paper-based test and the Internet-based test. It breaks down the reading, listening, speaking, and writing portions of the test into easily digested chapters using simple, clear

prose; ample practice questions; and the proven Idiot's Guide formula that makes this book the easiest way to prepare for this important test. Text instruction will be supplemented with online podcasts for extra listening practice and two full practice tests.

Chinese-Speaking Learners of English
Hong Kong University Press

This handbook provides a comprehensive and up-to-date survey of a wide range of developmental and clinical issues in pragmatics. Principally, the contributions to this volume deal with pragmatic competence in a native language, in a second or foreign language, and in a selection of language disorders. The topics which are covered explore questions of production and comprehension on the utterance and discourse level. Topics addressed concern the acquisition and learning, teaching and testing, assessment and treatment of various aspects of pragmatic ability, knowledge and use. These include, for example, the acquisition and development of speech acts, implicatures, irony, story-telling and interactional competence. Phenomena such as pragmatic awareness and pragmatic transfer are also addressed. The disorders considered include clinical conditions pertaining to children and to adults. Specifically, these are, among others, autism spectrum disorders, Down syndrome, and Alzheimer's disease.

**Design Solutions for Adaptive
Hypermedia Listening Software**
Springer

Provides strategies, tips, and four practice tests covering listening, reading, writing, and speaking skills and is thematically arranged by history, science, education, business, social science, arts, technology, and entertainment.

How to Become a Straight-A Student

Walter de Gruyter GmbH & Co KG
New Directions in Second Language Pragmatics brings together varying perspectives in second language (L2) pragmatics to show both historical developments in the field, while also

looking towards the future, including theoretical, empirical, and implementation perspectives. This volume is divided in four sections: teaching and learning speech acts, assessing pragmatic competence, analyzing discourses in digital contexts, and current issues in L2 pragmatics. The chapters focus on various aspects related to the learning, teaching, and assessing of L2 pragmatics and cover a range of learning environments. The authors address current topics in L2 pragmatics such as: speech acts from a discursive perspective; pragmatics instruction in the foreign language classroom and during study abroad; assessment of pragmatic competence; research methods used to collect pragmatics data; pragmatics in computer-mediated contexts; the role of implicit and explicit knowledge; discourse markers as a resource for interaction; and the framework of translingual practice. Taken together, the chapters in this volume foreground innovations and new directions in the field of L2 pragmatics while, at the same time, ground their work in the existing literature. Consequently, this volume both highlights where the field of L2 pragmatics has been and offers cutting-edge insights into where it is going in the future.

**How to Teach and Test English
Conversation** IGI Global

First thorough treatment of multidimensional item response theory Description of methods is supported by numerous practical examples Describes procedures for multidimensional computerized adaptive testing
How to Teach and Test English
Conversation in Korea Routledge
Fairness of language tests and testing practices has been a concern among test developers and test users. The 19th annual Language Testing Research Colloquium held in 1997 in Florida, brought this concern into focus. The papers in this volume offer an introduction to fairness and validation in the field of language assessment.

Second Language Pragmatics

Cambridge University Press

This book provides a critical review of recent theories of semantics-syntax correspondences and makes new proposals for constraints on semantic structure relevant to syntax. Data from several languages are presented which suggest that semantic structure in root morphemes is subject to parametric variation which has effect across a variety of verb classes, including locatives, unaccusatives, and psych verbs. The implications for first and second language acquisition are discussed. In particular, it is suggested that different parametric settings may lead to a learnability problem if adult learners do not retain access to sensitivity to underlying semantic organization and morphological differences between languages provided by Universal Grammar. An experiment with Chinese-speaking learners of English is presented which shows that learners initially transfer L1 semantic organization to the L2, but are able to retreat from overgeneralisations and achieve native-like grammars in this area. Suggestions for further research in this rapidly developing area of theory and acquisition research are also made.

Beyond the Bubble Test Simon and Schuster

Second Language Pragmatics: From Theory to Research aims to reinvigorate this field, pointing the way forward to new methodologies that can drive, or be driven by, new theoretical developments. With a unique combination of leading international expertise in general pragmatics, L2 pragmatics, and research methodology, the authors describe in detail the methods, including the most recent techniques, by which pragmatics of all types can be pursued in L2 contexts. This volume argues that L2 pragmatics research needs to expand from its initial base by drawing from a wider range of sources, such as Corpus Linguistics and Psycholinguistics. Clear, accessible, and practical, Second Language Pragmatics will be valuable to novice and seasoned researchers alike in second language pragmatics, general pragmatics, and second language acquisition courses.

7-Day IELTS Mastery: Intensive Practice for Exam Success Routledge

Manhattan Prep's TOEFL 5 lb. Book of Practice Problems is an essential resource for students of any level who are preparing for the TOEFL. With more than 1,500 questions across 46 chapters in the book and in online resources, TOEFL 5 lb. provides students with comprehensive practice. Developed by our expert

instructors, the problems in this book are sensibly grouped into practice sets and mirror those found on the TOEFL in content, form, and style. Students can build fundamental skills in Reading, Listening, Speaking and Writing through targeted practice, while easy-to-follow explanations and step-by-step processes help cement their understanding of the concepts tested on the TOEFL. In addition, students can take their practice to the next level with online question banks that provide realistic, computer-based practice to better simulate the TOEFL test-taking experience. Purchase of this book includes access to additional online resources and practice.

Measurement and Evaluation in Post-Secondary ESL IGI Global

"7-Day IELTS Mastery: Intensive Practice for Exam Success" is a comprehensive guide by author Amanpreet Kaur, designed for busy individuals preparing for the IELTS exam. With a strategic approach and focused study plan, this book helps readers achieve remarkable results within a short timeframe. Kaur provides a clear overview of the exam format, scoring system, and band scale, setting a solid foundation for preparation. The book covers listening, reading, writing, and speaking skills in separate chapters. It offers effective strategies, practical tips, and sample materials to enhance performance in each section. From note-taking techniques and speed reading to organizing ideas and expressing opinions, readers gain valuable insights and practice exercises. Additionally, the book addresses test day preparation, time management, and managing test anxiety. With its concise yet comprehensive content, "7-Day IELTS Mastery" equips readers with the necessary tools to excel in the IELTS exam. This resource serves as a valuable companion, empowering individuals to master the test and achieve their desired results confidently.

Resources in Education Rana Books UK

This volume looks at current issues in Intercultural Pragmatics from an applied perspective. The content is organized in three sections that encompass the primary applications of intercultural exchanges: the linguistic and cognitive domain, the social and cultural domain, and the discourse and stylistics domain. The chapters analyze real language situations in English, Russian, Chinese, Portuguese, Spanish, Greek, Filipino or Polish.

Fairness and Validation in Language Assessment Penguin

I have been teaching English conversation to university freshmen for 20 years, and this is what I think. 1. Conversation is the

one, absolute, essential skill. Without conversation, there is no language acquisition. Without the interest and personal relevance of conversations, the other skills just don't stick. They are just short-lived chores that soon evaporate. 2. Conversation should be the goal. Clear, confident speaking ability is the highest academic skill, not the lowest. A world expert who cannot express their expertise in conversational terms is useless. 3. Conversation is the engine of improvement. With enough speaking a critical mass is reached. Listening, pronunciation, grammar, vocabulary (and life-changing confidence) likewise improve and a snowball effect begins. 4. EFL education has the wrong goal - grammar - because grammar is easy to test. The goal is to pass one last multiple-choice, grammar test. This may be a transparent method of selecting university students but it is poor English education. 5. The ultimate goal - and result - of a ten-year English education should be speaking ability. This book will show you how to get it.

Explorations of Language Teaching and Learning with Computational Assistance

Walter de Gruyter GmbH & Co KG

Looking to jumpstart your GPA? Most college students believe that straight A's can be achieved only through cramming and painful all-nighters at the library. But Cal Newport knows that real straight-A students don't study harder—they study smarter. A breakthrough approach to acing academic assignments, from quizzes and exams to essays and papers, *How to Become a Straight-A Student* reveals for the first time the proven study secrets of real straight-A students across the country and weaves them into a simple, practical system that anyone can master. You will learn how to:

- Streamline and maximize your study time
- Conquer procrastination
- Absorb the material quickly and effectively
- Know which reading assignments are critical—and which are not
- Target the paper topics that wow professors
- Provide A+ answers on exams
- Write stellar prose without the agony

A strategic blueprint for success that promises more free time, more fun, and top-tier results, *How to Become a Straight-A Student* is the only study guide written by students for students—with the insider knowledge and real-world methods to help you master the college system and rise to the top of the class.

Learnability and the Lexicon Routledge Teaching and Learning Foreign Languages provides a comprehensive history of language teaching and learning in the UK

from its earliest beginnings to the year 2000. McLelland offers the first history of the social context of foreign language education in Britain, as well as an overview of changing approaches, methods and techniques in language teaching and learning. The important impact of classroom-external factors on developments in language teaching and learning is also taken into account, particularly regarding the policies and public examination requirements of the 20th century. Beginning with a chronological overview of language teaching and learning in Britain, McLelland explores which languages were learned when, why and by whom, before examining the social history of language teaching and learning in greater detail, addressing topics including the status that language learning and teaching have held in society. McLelland also provides a history of how languages have been taught, contrasting historical developments with current orthodoxies of language teaching. Experiences outside school are discussed with reference to examples from adult education, teach-yourself courses and military language learning. Providing an accessible, authoritative history of language education in Britain, *Teaching and Learning Foreign Languages* will appeal to academics and postgraduate students engaged in the history of education and language learning across the world. The book will also be of interest to teacher educators, trainee and practising teachers, policymakers and curriculum developers.

Pragmatic Competence and Relevance
Walter de Gruyter

It is the responsibility of educators to utilize contemporary avenues in order to reach their students in ways familiar to them. When teaching digital natives, new techniques are necessary for making new information relevant to their experience. One way to do this is through the use of mobile devices in curricula. This integration can make education accessible anywhere and to anyone, personalized to each student's schedule and needs. The *Handbook of Research on Mobile Learning in Contemporary Classrooms* expounds the current research on m-learning and strategies to leverage mobile devices in educational contexts. It also addresses the importance of communication, community, and mobility in modern classrooms, while offering a comprehensive overview of the theory and pedagogy associated with this new technology. Nonprofit organizers, K-12 educators, administrators, policy makers, students of education, and developers will find this book to be an

important research companion.

What English Language Teachers Need to Know II Routledge

A compendium of the latest developments in research regarding English language education for Chinese-speaking learners, this volume combines cutting-edge research from multiple internationally-known scholars. The chapters offer unique insights into some of the most salient issues related to this broad topic. The seventh volume in the *Global Research on Teaching and Learning English* series, co-published with The International Research Foundation for English Language Education (TIRF), this book features chapters with original research written by TIRF Doctoral Dissertation Grant awardees. The volume addresses the crucial and growing need for research-based conversations on the contexts, environments, goals, and measures of success for Chinese-speaking learners of English. It includes sections on language assessment, perceptions in university contexts, and technology, especially in relation to young learners, in order to promote in-depth discussion of the teaching and learning of English for native speakers of Chinese. The volume's 13 research-based chapters discuss topics such as the impact and implications of using emerging assessment tools; the increase in English for Specific Purposes (ESP) courses; academic speaking and writing; and teaching in an online or hybrid environment. Throughout the book the authors draw on their knowledge of their multiple contexts, as well as their learners' needs and goals. This volume brings together innovative research for TESOL and TEFL students, language teacher educators, language policy specialists, language assessment scholars, and language teachers. Readers will become familiar with how these issues related to Chinese-speaking learners of English are being addressed in academic circles around the world.

Integrating Information and Communication Technologies in English for Specific Purposes Simon and Schuster

The most comprehensive and authoritative book in its field, this edition has been extensively revised and updated. This book is intended for anyone who develops test items for large-scale assessments, as well as teachers and graduate students who de

Research Trends in Intercultural Pragmatics Oxford University Press

Master the SAT II English Language Proficiency Subject Test and score higher... Our test experts show you the right way to prepare for this important

college exam. REA's SAT II English Language Proficiency Subject test prep covers all English language areas that appear on the actual exam including in-depth coverage of comprehending and listening to verbal statements, dialogues, and short talks. The book features 4 full-length practice exams. Each practice exam question is fully explained to help you better understand the subject material. The accompanying 2 audio cassettes help you improve your listening skills and prepare you for the critical listening comprehension portions of the actual exam. Follow up your study with REA's proven test-taking strategies and powerhouse drills that get you ready for test day. DETAILS - Comprehensive review of every English language topic to appear on the SAT II subject test - Packed with proven test tips, strategies and advice to help you master the test - 4 full-length practice SAT II English Language Proficiency Subject exams. Each exam question is answered in complete detail with easy-to-follow, easy-to-grasp explanations. - Includes 2 audio cassettes that contain the listening comprehension sections from the four sample tests. TABLE OF CONTENTS Chapter 1 - About the SAT II: ELPT About This Book About The Test How To Use This Book Format of the ELPT About The Review Sections Scoring the Exam Studying for the ELPT ELPT Test-Taking Tips Chapter 2 - Listening Comprehension Review Hints for Preparations Test-Taking Hints Test Content Statements Dialogues Short Talks Chapter 3 - Reading Comprehension Review Reading Comprehension Effective Reading Tips Basic Questions Additional Tips Vocabulary Problem Situations Context Clues Vocabulary Word List FOUR PRACTICE TESTS "Practice Test 1 " Answer Key Detailed Explanations of Answers "Practice Test 2 " Answer Key Detailed Explanations of Answers "Practice Test 3" Answer Key Detailed Explanations of Answers "Practice Test 4 " Answer Key Detailed Explanations of Answers Transcript Proficiency Level Keys Answer Sheets EXCERPT About Research & Education Association Research & Education Association (REA) is an organization of educators, scientists, and engineers specializing in various academic fields. Founded in 1959 with the purpose of disseminating the most recently developed scientific information to groups in industry, government, high schools, and universities, REA has since become a successful and highly respected publisher of study aids, test preps, handbooks, and reference works. REA's Test Preparation series includes study guides for all

academic levels in almost all disciplines. Research & Education Association publishes test preps for students who have not yet completed high school, as well as high school students preparing to enter college. Students from countries around the world seeking to attend college in the United States will find the assistance they need in REA's publications. For college students seeking advanced degrees, REA publishes test preps for many major graduate school admission examinations in a wide variety of disciplines, including engineering, law, and medicine. Students at every level, in every field, with every ambition can find what they are looking for among REA's publications. While most test preparation books present practice tests that bear little resemblance to the actual exams, REA's series presents tests that accurately depict the official exams in both degree of difficulty and types of questions. REA's practice tests are always based upon the most recently administered exams, and include every type of question that can be expected on the actual exams. REA's publications and educational materials are highly regarded and continually receive an unprecedented amount of praise from professionals, instructors, librarians, parents, and students. Our authors are as diverse as the fields represented in the books we publish. They are well-known in their respective disciplines and serve on the faculties of prestigious high schools, colleges, and universities throughout the United States and Canada.

ABOUT THE BOOK This book provides you with an accurate and complete representation of the SAT II: English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT). The four sample tests are based on the most recently administered ELPT examination. Our reviews are designed to prepare you for the types of questions you can expect to see when taking the actual test. You will be given one hour to complete each sample test. The sample tests contain every type of question that you may expect to appear on the actual exam. Following each test you will find an answer key and detailed explanations which are designed to help you understand the test material. Copies of this book include audio cassettes, containing the listening comprehension sections from the four sample tests. These tapes will help you improved your listening skills and prepare you for the listening comprehension portions of the ELPT.

ABOUT THE TEST Who Takes the Test and What is it Used for? Any American secondary school student with English as a second language or limited English proficiency who has had at least two years

of high school study in the United States can take this exam. The English Language Proficiency Test is used to measure your reading and listening skills in English. Unlike English test that focus on grammar and language structure, the ELPT uses everyday-life examples to test a student's ability to function in an English-speaking environment. The test is used by colleges and universities as an indicator of a student's ability to use English in life situations. It can also be used as a measure for academic placement. Students entering the workforce can use the ELPT to demonstrate their ability to understand written and spoken English.

Who Administers the Test? The ELPT is developed and administered by the Educational Testing Service (ETS). The questions for the ELPT are developed by language specialists who follow standardized procedures which ensure a high quality of work. All questions are reviewed by many people, revised as necessary, and then are administered in trial test situations, before being compiled into a test format. According to ETS, the tests are then reviewed, using specific procedures, to ensure that they are free from cultural bias and that they will properly measure student's knowledge.

When Should the ELPT Be Taken? The ELPT should be taken by American high school students who have completed two to four years of training in an English as a Second Language program or an English enrichment course. The examination should be taken prior to graduation from high school.

When and Where is the Test Given? The ELPT is administered twice a year, once at SAT test centers and once at participating high schools. The first test administration date is in November at SAT test centers. The second administration date is in April at participating high schools. To receive information on upcoming administrations of the exam, consult the publication *Taking the SAT II: Subject Tests*, which can be obtained from your guidance counselor or by contacting: College Board SAT Program P.O. Box 6200 Princeton, NJ 08541-6200 Phone: (609) 771-7600 Website: <http://www.collegeboard.com> You must pay a registration fee to take the SAT II: English Language Proficiency Subject Test. Consult the publication *Taking the SAT II: Subject Tests* for information on the fee structure. Financial assistance may be granted in certain situations. To find out if you qualify and to register for assistance, contact your academic advisor.

HOW TO USE THIS BOOK What Do I Study First? Before you do anything else, you should take the first practice test which appears after the two

review sections. After you complete this test, you will be able to determine what areas are causing you difficulty and should be studied first, so that you can strengthen your weaknesses. After you have thoroughly studied the areas with which you are having problems, you may want to retake Test 1 to gauge your improvement in these areas. When you feel comfortable with the areas which have previously caused you difficulty, you should then begin reviewing and preparing for each section of the ELPT. When should I start studying? It is never too early to start studying for the ELPT, the earlier the better. You should start studying as soon as possible so that you will be able to learn more. Make sure you take the first practice test before you start studying can help you strengthen your problem areas before you run out of time to study. Last minute studying and cramming is not an efficient way to study and does not allow you to learn the material which you will need to know for the exam. How else can I improve my English speaking and writing skills while preparing for the test? In addition to using Test 1 to determine your problem areas, make sure you study all of the reviews. The reviews will cover the information you will need to know for the exam. You should also test yourself by completing as many of the practice tests as you possibly can. Besides using this book, there is one way you can familiarize yourself with written English - READ! Reading will help you improve your writing skills because you will have become acquainted with correct structure and phrasing in written English. You should read newspaper and magazine articles and advertisements. Read the college admissions material and college catalogs of the schools to which you are applying. You should also read books of interest to you. Just make sure you read, read, READ! There are many ways you can familiarize yourself with spoken English. If you are in your car, turn on the radio. Listening to radio newscasts and weather reports can also help prepare you for the test. You should watch television documentaries, go to lectures, and even go to the movies. Doing all of these things will help your perception of spoken English and will help prepare you for the listening comprehension sections, and may even aid in building your vocabulary.

FORMAT FOR THE ELPT Section / Time Allotted / Questions

Part A: Listening Comprehension - Rejoinders / 10 minutes / 14 questions

Part B: Reading Comprehension - Realia / 30 minutes / 42 questions

Part C: Listening Comprehension - Narratives and Dialogues / 20 minutes /

28 questions The ELPT will take about one hour to complete, plus about 20 minutes of administration time. All of the questions in the ELPT will be multiple choice. Each question is rated as either superior, advanced, or intermediate. These ratings distinguish the difficulty level of a question and aids in scoring the student's proficiency rating. Each question will have four answer choices from which to choose. You should be aware of the amount of time you have to complete each section of the test, so that you do not waste too much time working on difficult questions, while neglecting to answer easy questions. Speed is very important. Using the practice tests will help you prepare for this. Taking as many of the practice tests as possible, and making sure to time yourself, will help you become accustomed to the time constraints. Repeating this process will help you develop speed in answering the questions because you will become more familiar with the format. First, make sure you know how much time you have to complete each section. Second, read the directions to each section so that you understand it completely. Third, you should become familiar with the three parts of the ELPT. These sections are: "PART A: Listening Comprehension - Rejoinders" In this section, which makes up 17 percent of the test, your ability to respond to and understand spoken English will be tested. A tape recording of conversations will be played for you. You will then have seven seconds to choose the answer that would best continue the conversation. The questions, the conversations, and the answer choices will not appear in your test booklet. When you take the sample tests, take Part A for Tests 1-4 by using the provided tapes. Students will be given 10 minutes to complete the 14 questions in Part A. To study for this section, turn to the Listening Comprehension Review - Rejoinders. "PART B: Reading Comprehension - Realia" This section, which makes up 50 percent of the test, will test your ability to understand written English through published material such as signs, advertisements, directions, menus, labels, tickets, and street signs. The items in this section will include a piece of "realia" and test the students' ability to understand its content. Students will be given 30 minutes to complete the 42 questions in Part B. To study for this section, turn to the Reading Comprehension Review - Realia. "PART C: Listening Comprehension - Narratives and Dialogues" This part, which makes up 33 percent of the test, will have several spoken announcements or conversations

which the students listen to and then answer questions about the content or main points of what was said on the tape. The students will be given 12 seconds to complete each question. Part C has 28 questions that must be completed in 20 minutes. To study for this section, turn to the Listening Comprehension Review - Narratives and Dialogues. ABOUT THE REVIEW SECTIONS Our reviews are written to help you understand the concepts behind the questions which will be asked in the ELPT. They will help you to prepare for the actual test. They contain study tips on how to choose the best answer quickly and accurately. Also, there will be many drills which will help you in studying for the ELPT. You should use the reviews in conjunction with the diagnostic test and its cross-referencing table, which can show you what areas you need to study the most. The three review sections in this book correspond to the test sections of the official ELPT. Listening Comprehension Reviews Both Listening Comprehension parts of the ELPT (Rejoinders and Narratives and Dialogues) will be discussed in great detail in this review. It will illustrate for you the different forms of questions that may appear in those parts of the ELPT. Through using this review, you will learn how to listen for key words and phrases. A number of study tips have been included to help you concentrate more effectively and choose the correct answer quickly. Reading Comprehension Review This review will describe for you the "realia" that will be presented in Part B of the ELPT. The review will help you learn how to understand the content of various signs, menus, directions, etc. STUDYING FOR THE ELPT At first glance, the ELPT may appear to be primarily a test of written English. However, the ELPT not only tests your written English ability., but it also tests your ability to understand spoken English. By using the tests contained in this book, you will be able to develop your abilities in both of these areas. It is important for you to discover the time and place that works best for you. Some students may set aside a certain number of hours every morning to study, while others may choose to study at night before going to sleep. Other students may study during the day, while waiting on line, or they may even listen to English tapes while doing chores. Only you can determine when and where your study time will be most effective. The most important factor to keep in mind is consistency. Work out a study routine and stick to it! You may want to follow a schedule similar to the one presented at the beginning of this book. Depending on

how long before the exam you begin to study, you may want to add to this schedule or condense it. Be sure to take the first practice test before you begin studying the reviews in this book. By taking the practice test before studying you will determine your strengths and weaknesses, enabling your studying to be more concise and effective. When you take the practice tests, you should sit down at a quiet table and time yourself. Try to make the conditions as much like a test center as possible by removing all distractions. Afterwards, you should check each answer and thoroughly review the reasoning behind each question that you missed. You should not review too much at one time. Concentrate on each of your problem areas individually, until you feel comfortable with your ability in each of those areas. Write in the margins and spaces of this book when practicing, and write in the test booklet when taking the test. You should use this space to make notes to yourself, especially notes to go back to a certain question. You should also cross out answers that you know are incorrect. Although you can write in your test booklet, make sure you do not write anything on your answer sheet, except to mark the answer you chose. Keep track of your scores! You will be able to gauge your progress and discover general weaknesses in particular sections. You may find it very helpful to work with someone else. If possible, you should find a friend or classmate who is also taking the test. You may even find it convenient to ask a native speaker of English to help you practice. ELPT TEST-TAKING TIPS You may be unfamiliar with standardized tests such as the ELPT. There are many ways to acquaint yourself with this type of examination. Listed below are points to help you become familiar with the ELPT, some of which may be applied to other standardized tests. How to Beat the Clock Become comfortable with the format of the exam. When you are practicing to take the ELPT, pretend that you are under the same time constraints as you would during the test. Stay calm, pace yourself, and pay attention to the clock. Practice these techniques thoroughly. After simulating the test only a few times, you will be better able to sit down for the actual ELPT much more confidently and boost your chances of doing well. Become familiar with the directions. Make sure you understand them before you take the exam, so that you do not waste valuable time on the exam. Know the format for each section before you actually take the test. This will not only save you valuable time, but also ensure that you are familiar

enough with the exam to avoid nervousness (and the mistakes that come from being nervous). Work on the easier questions first. Mark the very difficult questions (in the test booklet, not on the answer sheet) and continue. Remember, only correct answers will be counted in your score. You will not be penalized for guessing, so when you have either answered or marked all of the questions, go back and answer any of the difficult questions that you may have skipped. If you find yourself working too long on one question, mark it and go on. Be sure that you are marking your answer in the space that corresponds to the number of the question in the test booklet. Know how much time is allowed for each section. Remember that you are racing against the clock. This is why you should not spend too much time on a single question. Budget your time. Every question has the same value, whether it is difficult or easy, so it is important to move on if a question becomes too time consuming. Pace yourself and make sure to check your time periodically to make sure that you are moving at a good rate. Should I Guess? If you don't know the answer to a question, guess! Cross out and eliminate answers (in the test booklet) that you know are wrong, and then pick the best answer from the ones that are left. Even if you can't eliminate any answers, guess anyway! Remember that there is no penalty for guessing, and only correct answers are counted. If you guess, you may increase your number of correct answers. The Day of the Test On the day of the test, you should wake up early (hopefully after a decent night's rest) and have a good breakfast. Make sure you dress comfortably, so that you are not distracted by being too hot or too cold while taking the exam. You should plan to arrive at the test site early. By being early, you will spare yourself the anxiety of being late for

the test. It will also allow you to collect your thoughts and to relax before taking the exam. Before you leave your home, make sure you have all the necessary information to be admitted into the test site. You should consult your ELPT handbook for exact requirements. Make sure you bring at least two sharpened #2 (or HB) pencils, with erasers, to the exam. The pencils should be medium-soft with black lead. You may want to wear a watch to the test site; however, only ordinary watches will be permitted. Watches with alarms, calculator functions, flashing lights, beeping sounds, etc., will not be allowed in the test site. No food will be allowed into the examination room. During the Test When you arrive at the test center, you will be assigned a seat in the examination room by a member of the test site staff. You will not receive a break during the examination. If you need to use the rest room, or if you become ill, you may leave the examination room, but you must first give the test supervisor your identification documents before you leave the room. If you do leave the room, you will not be allowed to make up any lost time. Once you enter the test site, follow all the instructions given by the test supervisor. If you do not, you risk being dismissed from the examination or having your ELPT scores voided (they will not be scored). Your answer sheet will not be scored and your test payment will not be refunded if you try to remove a test booklet, an answer sheet, or any tape from the test center. All the test materials are the property of Educational Testing Service and legal action may be taken against you if you try to take home test materials or copy them in any way. There are also regulations that, if not followed, will void your answer sheet and then your test payment will not be refunded for any reason. Check your ELPT handbook for a list of these regulations. When all of the

test materials have been passed out, the test instructor will give you directions for filling out one side of your answer sheet. You must fill out this sheet carefully since this information will be printed on your score report. Fill out your name exactly as it appears on your identification documents, unless otherwise instructed. Remember to write in the margins and spaces of your test booklet, leaving notes for yourself to return to a question, or just to cross out incorrect answers. Make sure you do not write on your answer sheet, except to fill in the oval corresponding to the answer you chose. You will be marking your answers on the side two of your answer sheet. Each numbered row will contain four ovals corresponding to each answer choice for that question. Fill in the oval which corresponds to your answer darkly, completely, and in a neat manner. You can change your answer, but remember to completely erase your old answer. Only one answer should be marked. This is very important, as your answer sheet will be scored by machine and stray lines or unnecessary marks may cause the machine to score your answers incorrectly. Only work on the section of the test which the test instructor has instructed you to work on. You should begin only when instructed to do so, and stop, immediately, when instructed to end. Do not turn to the next section of the test until you are told to do so. When all of the sections have been completed, you should remain seated until all of the test materials have been collected. You will have to wait for your test results to arrive in the mail, which usually takes about one month.

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