

Test Day and Beyond

You've registered and practiced, and now you're ready to take the TOEFL iBT® test. Here are some tips that will help make your test day go smoothly:

- **Set your alarm early.** Give yourself plenty of time to get ready. If you have trouble getting up, ask a friend to give you a call.
- **Get plenty of rest.** Don't stay up late, and avoid caffeine the night before the test. Try to stay relaxed.
- **Eat a good meal.** Don't skip a meal on test day. Eat something with protein and a piece of fruit to help your mind stay alert.

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TOEFL® Test Day Tips

You've practiced hard and now you are ready for your big day.

Here is some information to prepare you for the testing experience itself.

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Plan Your Trip



Plan your trip to the testing site:

Check the identification (ID) requirements for your testing location at www.ets.org/toefl/id.

Determine the best way to travel and how long it takes to get to the testing site. You need to arrive 30 minutes before your scheduled start time.

The day before your test, check your online profile for any details that may have changed, such as testing room or start time.

Make sure to bring your photo ID and registration confirmation with you.



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The Testing Site



Arriving at the testing site:

You will need to present acceptable ID and your registration confirmation to enter the testing site.

A photo opportunity:

Your picture will be taken and displayed at your test station and on your official score report.



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Your Testing Station



Your testing station:

You will be assigned a seat a few minutes before your start time.

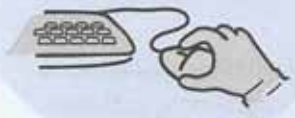
No electronic devices or food are allowed in the testing room. For other restrictions, check the website at www.ets.org/toefl.

You can use the restroom at any time, but remember the clock does not stop for your test.



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The TOEFL Test



Total length of the test:
4 hours



What To Expect on Test Day

General Test-Taking Tips

Here are some test-taking strategies to follow during the test:

- **Know the directions** in each section before the test by taking a practice test. This will help you avoid wasting time during the test.
- **Click Help** to review the directions **only when absolutely necessary**—the test clock doesn't stop when Help is used.
- **Carefully read each question.** Some questions ask for more than one answer. Some questions have "not," so they ask about a negative situation.
- **Don't panic.** Concentrate on the current question only. Don't think about how you answered or should have answered other questions.
- **Avoid spending too much time on any one question.** If you've thought about a question and you still don't know the answer, eliminate as many answer choices as possible. Then select the best remaining choice.
- **Pace yourself** so you have enough time to answer every question. Be aware of the time limit for every section/task and budget enough time for each. You can hide the time clock, but check the clock periodically to monitor your progress. The clock will automatically alert you when five minutes remain in Listening and Reading as well as in Writing.
- **The toolbar** tells you how many questions you've answered and how many remain. Use this information to decide whether you need to go faster or slower.
- **Review in Reading.** You can go back to review and change your responses in the Reading section by clicking **Review**. It's best to do this **only** after you've answered all the questions.

After the Test

After you take the test and receive your scores, you can determine whether you need to take the test again. If you do, we recommend that you prepare with additional activities in the *Planner*, reviewing the practice tests in *The Official Guide* and taking additional practice tests on TOEFL[®] Practice Online (www.ets.org/toeflpractice).

Score Reports

Scores are reported online approximately ten days after the test. You can view your scores online free of charge. Paper score reports are mailed shortly after the scores are posted online. Please see Appendix 2 for a sample examinee score report.

Sending Your Scores

You can select up to four TOEFL[®] Destinations as score recipients for free when you register.

In addition to the destinations you select with your registration, you can send your scores to as many other institutions as you choose for a small fee. You can order by logging into your online profile, by mail or by fax. Go to www.ets.org/toefl for more information.

Performance Feedback

Score reports also include feedback that indicates whether your performance was high, medium or low and describes what test takers in these score ranges typically know and can do with the English language.

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