



TOEFL[®] Test Prep
PLANNER

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Foreword

Congratulations! You've made the right decision to take the TOEFL[®] test—the test that gives you the unmatched advantage over other English-language tests.

There's no question that the TOEFL test is the most widely accepted English-language test in the world—that's why we say the TOEFL test can help you "go anywhere." More than 8,500 colleges, universities and agencies in 130 countries accept TOEFL scores, including the U.S. and Canada as well as the U.K. and Australia. This gives you the flexibility of sending your test scores to any of these destinations. It's no wonder more than 27 million people have taken the TOEFL test since it was introduced in 1964.

The TOEFL test is also the most highly respected English-language test in the world. In fact, it's the only test that simulates university classroom and campus life and was developed with the help of leading universities. By doing well on the TOEFL iBT[®] test, you will prove you have the reading, listening, speaking and writing skills that universities are looking for—and show that you can effectively combine these skills to communicate your ideas in and out of the classroom. Preparing for the test will help you build the English skills you need to succeed in an academic setting and beyond.

TOEFL[®] Test Prep Planner

That's the purpose of this *TOEFL Test Prep Planner*—to help you understand how to prepare for the test effectively and to help you build the English skills you need to succeed. Chapter 1 provides you with a test preparation plan to use in the eight weeks leading up to your test date. Chapter 2 gives you general information about the test and scoring. Chapters 3 through 6 provide more information about the four sections of the test as well as activities you can do to build your skills. Chapter 7 tells you what to do on and after test day.

We've also created a special website with useful links to accompany the *Planner* at www.ets.org/toefl/planner.

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Sample Questions

We know that working with sample questions is essential to preparing for the test, so the *Planner* includes examples of question types from each of the four skills sections. See Appendix 1.

Test takers have told us that simulations of the test are also important, so the chart below shows you where to find sample questions that can simulate the test to varying degrees. Some of these samples are included on the *Planner* website, while others are available for purchase in order to enhance your preparation experience.

Source of Authentic Sample Questions

Source	Number of Questions	Format	Simulation of the TOEFL iBT® Testing Experience	Where Available
Free Sample Questions	At least one of each question type: 14 Reading 11 Listening 6 Speaking 2 Writing	Download (with audio and sample Speaking responses)	Medium	ePLAN www.ets.org/toefl/planner
		Print	Low	PLAN Appendix 1: Sample questions
<i>TOEFL iBT® Test Online Sampler®</i>	13 Reading 11 Listening 3 Speaking 1 Writing	Online	High	SAMP Link to it from your online test registration profile
<i>The Official Guide to the TOEFL® Test</i>	Hundreds of practice questions and essay topics, including full practice tests	eBook or paper book with DVD	Medium	OG www.ets.org/toefl/guide
TOEFL® Practice Online	4 complete tests available, with same-day scoring and feedback	Online	High	TPO www.ets.org/toefl/practice

Other free resources that you may find helpful on the path to your destination:

- TOEFL website at www.ets.org/toefl
- TOEFL *Go Anywhere* website at www.toeflgoanywhere.org
- TOEFL® TV Channel at www.youtube.com/TOEFLtv

The Path to Your TOEFL® Destination

You need to complete many steps to get to the college or university of your choice. We hope you've been progressing on the path to your TOEFL® Destination by completing Steps 1 through 4 below. If not, please work on completing these four steps now. Then move on to Step 5 to use this Planner to prepare and practice for the test.

STEP 1

Choose your destinations

If you don't know where to apply, choose from the 8,500 institutions in 130 countries in the **TOEFL® Destinations Directory** at www.toeflgoanywhere.org.

STEP 2

Know your destination deadlines and requirements

Research application deadlines and score requirements for each of your university or college destinations. You can start your score requirement research with the **TOEFL Destinations Directory** and then contact the institution for more specific requirements. If you're applying for postgraduate studies, find out if your institution requires the **GRE®** or other tests. You can go to the GRE website at www.ets.org/gre for more information.

STEP 3

Decide when and where to take the test

Choose an available test date from among 4,500 testing locations in over 165 countries. Plan to take the test at least two to three months before your institution's application deadline.

STEP 4

Register for the TOEFL iBT® Test three to four months before your test date

Register at your **TOEFL® Test Resource Centre**, if you have one in your area. You can also register by phone, online or by mail. Go to www.toeflgoanywhere.org for more information on how to register.

STEP 5

Prepare and practice

Use this *TOEFL Test Prep Planner* and follow the test preparation plan during the eight weeks leading up to your test date.