

penDUX TOF 1150 Test 7


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Main Words


1. primary	main; most important
2. maximum	being or having the largest amount or degree possible
3. inexperience	without the knowledge or skill that comes from practice or long life; not experienced
4. manufacture	to make by machine in a large quantities
5. unskilled	without particular skills or technical training
6. assemble	to gather into a group
7. reasonable	using good sense and clear thinking
8. injure	having an injury; damaged; wounded
9. temporary	lasting a short time; not permanent
10. initial	first

The script must be played at least three times. 


All conglomerates' primary goal is pursuit of maximum profit. Accordingly, companies tend to hire cheap and inexperienced workers from time to time, but this is a foolish choice. The decision will cause additional costs in the future by having to educate the employee from

 (Listen Carefully : _____)
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First, the degree of completion of products manufactured by unskilled workers won't be satisfactory, which will lead customers to complain about the products. If the product breaks down because the pieces were not assembled the right way, the company has to take all responsibility regarding the flaw. In the end, the company will be spending more money in aftercare than they would have spent in hiring a more expensive worker. Besides, if rumors spread about the poor quality of the product, the company will have to spend a lot of money on advertisements and marketing in order to regain their image. In other words,

 (Listen Carefully : _____
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Secondly, the company will have to invest money and time in order to educate the inexperienced workers. In the case of experienced employees, they always come up with good results when they are given a project to work on as soon as they enter the company. On the other hand, young employees need to be taught from the beginning by bits and pieces until they become comfortable with what they were taught. This is a process that takes a lot of time and money. Therefore, it is more reasonable to hire a skilled employee,

 (Listen Carefully : _____
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Lastly, people who are not fully trained tend to cause problems in the process of manufacturing products. We hear through the media of people who've lost their jobs because they've lost their fingers or hands while working in factories. It is very rare for skilled workers to be injured by these types of accidents. In most cases, unskilled workers injure themselves because they don't know how to use the machines in factories. The problem is that when these things happen, the employer has to take responsibility for the accident. Because of these types of problems, it is necessary to hire experienced workers although

 (Listen Carefully : _____
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In conclusion, businesses should not make choices for temporary economic profit without considering long-term costs. It is wiser to hire an experienced worker although initial costs may be higher than expected because experienced workers have the capacity of manufacturing products of high degree of completeness,

 (Listen Carefully : _____
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Listen again and answer the questions below.

1. What is the goal of conglomerates?
A. hire a lot of workers
B. pursuit of maximum profit
C. make good products
D. expand the company
2. Companies tend to hire _____ workers.
A. skilled and experienced
B. old
C. cheap and inexperienced
D. young
3. What is the speaker's opinion?
A. he thinks it is a clever choice
B. he thinks it is a foolish choice
C. he thinks that it is needed sometimes
D. he thinks that conglomerates should close down
4. The conglomerate's decision regarding workers will _____.
A. cause additional costs in the future
B. benefit the company
C. make the company go bankrupt
D. none of the above
5. What won't be satisfactory about products manufactured by unskilled workers?
A. the design of products
B. the degree of completion of products
C. the price of products
D. none of the above
6. Hiring skilled workers from the beginning is _____ in terms of cost cutting.
A. worse
B. ineffective
C. effective
D. better
7. Companies have _____ to educate new workers.
A. to invest money and time
B. to call in a professional
C. to bring experienced workers
D. none of the above
8. Experienced workers bring bad results when they are given a project to work on.
A. True
B. False
9. _____ tend to cause problems in the process of manufacturing products.
A. people with good social skills
B. people with bad attitudes
C. people not fully trained
D. none of the above
10. What is a rare thing for a skilled worker?
A. get paid with low salary
B. get injured by machines
C. get fired
D. get lazy


Listening Exercise 2 Listen to the story, then fill in the blanks.

- Exercise 1) Seals, like humans, () air so it is () for them
- Exercise 2) to () on land as well as in the ().
- Exercise 3) Seals can () on the ground but it is () as they only have fins
- Exercise 4) and do not have four () and () like a bear.
- Exercise 5) Since seals cannot () quickly and easily on land, they usually () close to water.
- Exercise 6) Seals are () swimmers and can swim as () as 6,000 miles each year.
- Exercise 7) One day, Doreen, a mother seal, () that it was time for her () boy,
- Exercise 8) Alfred, to learn ()()().
- Exercise 9) “Why should I go into that () ocean?” Alfred () his mother.
- Exercise 10) “I’m ()().”