

penDUX TOF 1150 Test 13


Total: /100

Main Words


1. convenient	easy to use; good for someone's needs, purposes, or comfort
2. facilitate	to make less difficult; help in the doing of
3. complicate	to make more difficult to do or understand
4. mathematical	of or having to do with mathematics
5. calculate	to add, subtract, multiply, or divide in order to find an answer to a number question
6. traditional	relating to customs and ways of doing things in a particular culture that are passed down from parents to children
7. waste	to use more or spend more of something than what you really need; to not use well
8. overflow	to flow over the top edge of a container
9. essential	necessary, needed
10. abroad	in or to another country

The script must be played at least three times. 


People nowadays probably cannot even imagine a life without computers. Without any doubt, this innovative invention known as the computer has increased convenience in life.

 (Listen Carefully : _____)
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First, computers have improved convenience in our lives by simplifying different tasks. People can book hotels and flights whenever or wherever with the help of computers. By only selecting the time of preference, the computer takes care of the rest of the booking process. Also, machines are better at complicated assignments, such as mathematical equations, than humans. For example, Excel calculates numbers faster and more accurately than people. Like this,

 (Listen Carefully : _____)
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Also, accessibility to information has become higher thanks to the development of Internet. In the past, people had to study through books, which is the traditional information medium. They had to go through all the books in the library to find one sentence of information that they needed. During this process they wasted a lot of time. On the contrary, people who know how to use a computer well today have to only type in the keyword of the information they are looking for in the Google search box and within moments, overflowing information related to the keyword will be shown to them. Similarly, computer

 (Listen Carefully : _____)
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Lastly, computers are essential for communication. In the past, it took up to a month for letters to be delivered to friends and relatives living abroad. Yet today, you can communicate directly with friends and relatives across the world within seconds thanks to the revolutionary system known as 'e-mails.' Furthermore, some applications support voice calling, instant messaging, and video services. Once people learn how to use this machine,

 (Listen Carefully : _____)
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In conclusion, computers are very important and necessary for mankind. This machine that carries out difficult tasks very easily helps people access information with little effort and time.

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

1. This is an innovative invention which has increased convenience for people.
A. computers
B. credit cards
C. planes
D. automobiles
2. The innovative invention has facilitated our lives by _____.
A. doing house chores for us
B. cooking for us
C. simplifying different tasks
D. none of the above
3. With the help of the innovative invention, people can now _____.
A. travel across borders easily
B. book flights and hotels all the time
C. purchase anything they want
D. visit families living far away
4. What are better at complicated assignments than humans?
A. robots
B. aliens
C. dolphins
D. computers
5. According to the example, what calculates numbers faster and more exact than people?
A. calculators
B. Excel
C. Adobe Photoshop
D. Word
6. Because of _____, accessibility to information has become easier.
A. the development of Internet
B. the availability of books
C. the wide supply of TV
D. none of the above
7. Which was the traditional information medium in the past?
A. lectures
B. books
C. letters
D. newspapers
8. What is the difference between people in the past and people nowadays regarding the way they search for information?
A. people in the past found information much faster
B. people nowadays find information much faster
C. people in the past didn't have any information
D. there is no difference between the two
9. Computers are essential for _____.
A. communication
B. RPG games
C. design
D. statistics
10. In the past, it took up to _____ for letters to be delivered to friends living abroad.
A. a year
B. two months
C. a month
D. a week


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

- Exercise 1) in front of its () when it coughs. This type of thing would only () in a cartoon.
- Exercise 2) Animals in the water can (), too. Did you know that () cough, too?
- Exercise 3) Most people are not () of this but I am because I () two goldfish.
- Exercise 4) Of course, fish don't () in the () way as people do.
- Exercise 5) Fish can't () their hands in front of their ()
- Exercise 6) when they () because they don't have any (). Fish have only fins.
- Exercise 7) A goldfish () a lot when the water is ().
- Exercise 8) In the () way, people cough a lot when they () dirty air.
- Exercise 9) Fish () when the water is ().
- Exercise 10) Last February, I did not () my goldfish bowl for over () weeks.