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- Answer explanations for every question

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# 1

## STUDY PLAN

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### ✓ *Develop a personal study plan*

Many students do not prepare for the TOEFL iBT® before they take the test. They do not even read the *TOEFL iBT® Information and Registration Bulletin* when they register. You have an advantage. By using this book and the online materials that supplement it, you have a plan for success.

**User-friendly icons will help you navigate from the book to the online material in each chapter.**



When you see the Internet icon in the book, go to the Barron's TOEFL site online at <http://bit.ly/Barrons-TOEFL> to continue.



When you see the speaker icon online, click to hear the audio for the presentation.



When you see the book icon online, return to the book from your online preparation.



When you see the headphone icon in the book, go to Barron's TOEFL site online at <http://bit.ly/Barrons-TOEFL> and listen to the MP3 file referenced in the audio.

## STUDY HABITS



To see and hear this presentation online, go to the Barron's TOEFL site at <http://bit.ly/Barrons-TOEFL> and click on the icon for **Presentations**, then select **Study Habits**.

### Study Habits



A habit is a pattern of behavior that is acquired through repetition.

Research indicates that it takes about 21 days to form a habit.

The study habits here are characteristic of successful students.

Be successful!

Form these habits now.

They will help you on the TOEFL and after the TOEFL.

### Accept responsibility

- Don't rely on luck
- Work diligently



Successful students understand that the score on the TOEFL is their responsibility. It doesn't happen because of luck. It's the result of their own efforts.

Take responsibility for *your* TOEFL score. Don't leave it to chance.

### Get organized

- Find a study area
- Keep your materials in one place



You'll need a place to study where you can concentrate. Try to find a place where you can organize your study materials and leave them until the next study session. If that isn't practical, then find a bag that you can use to store all your TOEFL materials so that you have everything you need when you go to the library or another place to study. This will save time, and you'll be less likely to lose important notes for your TOEFL prep.

### Set realistic goals

- Evaluate your English
- Set a goal that you can achieve



Be honest about your preparation. Students who are just beginning to learn English are not prepared to take the TOEFL. Give yourself the time you need to prepare. By setting an unrealistic goal, for example, to finish preparing with this book in one week, you will probably be very disappointed. Even advanced students need time to learn academic skills and review language skills as well as to take model tests.

### Manage time

- Schedule study time
- Use unscheduled time well



Successful students have a schedule that helps them manage their time. Preparing for the TOEFL is planned for on a regular basis just like a standing appointment. If it is written down on a schedule, it is more probable that you will give TOEFL preparation the time necessary to achieve your goal.

Learn to use time while you are waiting for an appointment or commuting on public transportation to study. Even a 5-minute review will help you.

### Learn from mistakes

- Study the explanatory and example answers online
- Review your errors



If you knew everything, you wouldn't need this book. Expect to make mistakes on the practice tests and model tests.

Read the explanatory and example answers online and learn from your mistakes. If you do this, you will be less likely to make those mistakes again on the official TOEFL iBT®.



### Control stress

- Use stress for motivation
- Avoid panic and worry



Some stress is normal and good. Use it constructively. It will motivate you to study. But don't panic or worry. Panic will cause loss of concentration and poor performance. Avoid people who panic and worry. Don't listen to them. They will encourage negative thinking.

### Choose to be positive

I know more today than  
I did yesterday.  
I am preparing.  
I will succeed.



Your attitude will influence your success on the TOEFL iBT®. To be successful, you must develop patterns of positive thinking. To help you develop a positive attitude, memorize the sentences on the left side of the screen, and bring them to mind after every study session. Say them aloud when you begin to have negative thoughts.

## A CHECKLIST FOR SUCCESS

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This book is easy to use. Each chapter corresponds to one of the goals on the checklist. More than 2 million Barron's students have succeeded on the TOEFL. You can be successful, too, by checking off each of these goals as you finish another chapter.

- ✓ ***Develop a personal study plan***
- ✓ ***Inform yourself about the TOEFL iBT®***
- ✓ ***Evaluate your strengths and weaknesses***
- ✓ ***Study the most frequent question types***
- ✓ ***Master the most important academic skills***
- ✓ ***Learn the grammar that adds points***
- ✓ ***Practice taking short tests***
- ✓ ***Practice taking full-length model tests***
- ✓ ***Estimate your score***
- ✓ ***Use resources to support your preparation***



A *syllabus* is a study plan for a course. This syllabus can be used either for self-study, or for a classroom. If you would like to download a copy of this syllabus, go to the Barron's TOEFL site online at <http://bit.ly/Barrons-TOEFL>. If you need help preparing a different syllabus for a shorter class, contact Dr. Sharpe [sharpe@teflprep.com](mailto:sharpe@teflprep.com).

### **Barron's TOEFL iBT® 16th Edition**

WEEK	GOALS	BOOK	ONLINE	HOMEWORK
1	<b>Develop a personal study plan</b> <b>Inform yourself about the TOEFL iBT®</b> <b>Evaluate your strengths and weaknesses</b>	Chapter 1 Chapter 2 Chapter 3	Presentation: Study Habits Download: Syllabus Pretest: Model Test 1 Explanatory and Example Answers	Organization Self-Evaluation
2	<b>Study the most frequent question types</b>	Chapter 4	Presentation: Reading Presentation: Listening Presentation: Speaking Presentation: Writing	
3	<b>Master the most important academic skills</b> Taking Notes Paraphrasing	Chapter 5	Campus Vocabulary	Activities 1–10 Activities 11–20 Activities 21–30
4	Summarizing Synthesizing	Chapter 5	Campus Vocabulary	Activities 31–40 Activities 41–50
5	<b>Learn the grammar that adds points</b>	Chapter 6		Usage Problems Style Problems
6	<b>Practice taking short tests</b> One-Hour Test 1 One-Hour Test 2 One-Hour Test 3 One-Hour Test 4	Chapter 7		
7	One-Hour Test 5 One-Hour Test 6 One-Hour Test 7 One-Hour Test 8	Chapter 7		
8	<b>Practice taking full-length model tests</b>	Chapter 8	Progress Test: Model Test 2 Explanatory and Example Answers Progress Test: Model Test 3 Explanatory and Example Answers	Review Model Test 2 Review Model Test 3
9		Chapter 8	Progress Test: Model Test 4 Explanatory and Example Answers Progress Test: Model Test 5 Explanatory and Example Answers	Review Model Test 4 Review Model Test 5
10		Chapter 8	Progress Test: Model Test 6 Explanatory and Example Answers Progress Test: Model Test 7 Explanatory and Example Answers	Review Model Test 6 Review Model Test 7
11		Chapter 8	Progress Test: Model Test 8 Explanatory and Example Answers	Review Model Test 8
12		Chapter 9		Individualized Review

### Individualized Study

*Barron's TOEFL iBT®*, 16th Edition, is designed to support self-study or classroom preparation. After analyzing the Pretest, the teacher can assign individualized review by selecting the chapters and pages that focus on the most challenging sections of the test for each student. It is often helpful to divide the class into groups of students who have similar patterns of error on the Pretest. Model tests provide a process for monitoring individual progress and redirecting student effort. Students who are not in a class can determine which sections of the test require the most time for self-study. *Barron's Practice Exercises for the TOEFL*, 8th Edition, and *Barron's TOEFL Strategies and Tips: Outsmart the TOEFL*, 2nd Edition, are additional resources for individual practice.

#### TIMETABLE FOR THE TOEFL iBT®

Test Section	Questions	Time
Reading	3–4 passages with 12–14 questions each	60–80 minutes
Listening	2–3 conversations with 5 questions each 2–3 lectures with 6 questions each 2–3 discussions with 6 questions each	60–90 minutes
BREAK		10 minutes
Speaking	2 independent tasks 4 integrated tasks	20 minutes
Writing	1 integrated task 1 independent task	20 minutes 30 minutes

# 2

## ORIENTATION

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✓ ***Inform yourself about the TOEFL iBT®***

### **OVERVIEW OF THE TOEFL**

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The TOEFL iBT® tests your ability to understand and use English for academic purposes. There are four sections on the TOEFL, with special directions for each section.

#### **READING SECTION**

The Reading Section tests your ability to understand reading passages like those in college textbooks. The short format has three passages and the long format has four passages. After each passage, you will answer 12–14 questions about it.

#### **LISTENING SECTION**

The Listening Section tests your ability to understand spoken English that is typical of interactions and academic speech on college campuses. During the test, you will listen to conversations, lectures, and discussions, and answer questions about them. The short format has two conversations, two lectures, and two discussions and the long format has three conversations, three lectures, and three discussions.

#### **SPEAKING SECTION**

The Speaking Section tests your ability to communicate in English in an academic setting. During the test, you will be presented with six speaking questions. The questions ask for a response to a single question; a reading passage and a conversation; a reading passage and a lecture; a conversation or a lecture.

#### **WRITING SECTION**

The Writing Section tests your ability to write essays in English similar to those you would write in college courses. During the test, you will write one essay about an academic topic and one essay about a familiar topic.

## FAQs—FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE TOEFL iBT®

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### TOEFL PROGRAMS

#### ► What is the purpose of the TOEFL?

The TOEFL is used by scholarship selection committees of governments, universities, and agencies such as Fulbright, the Agency for International Development, AMIDEAST, and Latin American Scholarship Programs as a standard measure of the English proficiency of their candidates. Some professional licensing and certification agencies also use TOEFL scores to evaluate English proficiency. Admissions officers at more than 10,000 colleges and universities in the United States, Canada, Australia, Great Britain, and 130 other countries worldwide require foreign applicants to submit TOEFL scores along with transcripts and recommendations in order to be considered for admission. In addition, workers applying for visas in English-speaking countries often use TOEFL scores as part of their applications.

#### ► May I choose the format that I prefer—iBT or PBT?

The official TOEFL is offered in two formats—the Internet-Based TOEFL (iBT) or the Paper-Based TOEFL (PBT). The format that you take depends on the test center location for which you register. Only four percent of the sites continue to offer the PBT, which was revised in 2016. It is being phased out. To see a schedule of times and test centers, visit the TOEFL website or check the *TOEFL iBT® Registration and Information Bulletin* on the TOEFL website at [www.ets.org/toefl](http://www.ets.org/toefl). A revised timeline is continuously updated on the TOEFL website.

#### ► What is the Institutional TOEFL Program (ITP)?

Many schools, colleges, universities, and private agencies administer the Institutional TOEFL (ITP). The Institutional TOEFL is used for admission, placement, eligibility, or employment *only* at the school or agency that offers the test. The dates for the Institutional TOEFL usually correspond to the beginning of an academic session on a college or university calendar. The fees are set by the institution administering the test. The format is paper-based. If you plan to use your TOEFL score for a different college, university, or agency, you should not take the Institutional TOEFL at another site. You should register for the official iBT.

#### ► Which language skills are tested on the TOEFL?

<i>Institutional TOEFL (ITP)</i>	<i>Internet-Based TOEFL (iBT)</i>	<i>Revised Paper-Based TOEFL (PBT)</i>
Listening	Listening	Listening
Structure	Speaking	Reading
Reading	Reading	Writing
Optional Essay	Writing	

► **Why was the Structure Section removed from the TOEFL iBT®?**

Grammar is tested as part of the other sections. It is especially important to use good grammar in the Speaking and the Writing Sections. Chapter 6 will help you review specific problems to gain points on the TOEFL.

► **Which keyboard will be used for the Writing Section?**

A standard English language QWERTY keyboard will be used for the Writing Section on TOEFL iBT® examinations worldwide. QWERTY is the most common keyboard for English-language computers. Its name refers to the first six letters on the top row left. It is a good idea to practice on this type of keyboard when you prepare for the TOEFL, using the model tests in this book.

► **Must I take all sections of the test?**

The Speaking Section and the Writing Section are required on the Internet-Based TOEFL. You must take all sections of the TOEFL in order to receive a score.

## REGISTRATION

► **How do I register for the TOEFL?**

You can register for the Internet-Based TOEFL online, by mail, or by telephone.

Online [www.ets.org/toefl](http://www.ets.org/toefl) for testing worldwide

Phone 1-800-GO-TOEFL (1-800-468-6335) or 1-443-751-4862 for testing in the United States, U.S. territories, and Canada, or call your Regional Registration Center for testing outside the United States and Canada.

Mail Download a registration form from the TOEFL website and mail it to the closest Regional Registration Center (addresses listed on the ETS website as well as in the Resources section on pages 808–809 of this book).

**NOTE: Mac® Users**

The TOEFL online registration system is not compatible with Safari. Please use Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox.

► **Where can I find a free TOEFL iBT® Registration and Information Bulletin?**

This important bulletin includes the information that you will need to register for the TOEFL. It can be downloaded free from the TOEFL website [www.ets.org/toefl](http://www.ets.org/toefl). In addition, most Regional Registration Centers have copies of the bulletin, or it can be found at many libraries, universities, and educational counseling centers around the world.

► **Where are the TOEFL iBT® Resource Centers?**

Resource Centers support the test sites and counseling centers in each region. They are listed in Chapter 10 of this book. TOEFL iBT® Resource Centers cannot always assist with registration and information about the test results.

► **Will my registration be confirmed?**

Your registration number can be printed when you register online, and you will also receive your number by email.

► **When should I register for the TOEFL?**

You must register at least seven days before the test date. If there is space, you may register three days before the test date. The late fee for a three-day registration is \$40. Because test centers fill rapidly during desirable times, it is a good idea to register three or four months in advance. If you are taking the TOEFL as part of the application process for college or university admission, you should plan to take the test early enough for your score to be received by the admissions office before the application deadline.

► **May I change the date or cancel my registration?**

To receive a refund, you must reschedule or cancel three full days before your test date. For example, if your test is on Friday, you must call to cancel your registration on Monday. If you cancel your registration, you will usually receive half of your test fee as a refund. Some countries have additional requirements.

► **What are the fees for the TOEFL iBT®?**

The fee for the test administration, including four score reports, depends on the location that you choose. Current testing fees range from \$160 to \$250 U.S. Other fees include late registration (\$40) and rescheduling (\$60).

► **How may I pay the fees?**

You may pay in U.S. dollars by credit card, e-check from bank accounts in the United States and its territories, Western Union, Quick Pay, PayPal, or money orders in U.S. dollars drawn on a bank in the United States, checks in Canadian dollars drawn on a bank in Canada, and euro checks drawn on a bank in the same country as the person writing the check.

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For 80 years, BARRON'S experts have been helping students surpass their expectations on standardized tests.

The *only* book you need to get the score you want on the **TOEFL iBT**®.



## BOOK

- Eight full-length TOEFL iBT practice tests with answer explanations
- Eight one-hour practice tests
- A review of required academic and language skills with four video lessons and a grammar review that supports the Speaking and Writing Sections



## ONLINE

- Digital versions of the 8 practice tests in the book for test day experience
- An online pronunciation guide that features over 200 campus vocabulary flashcards with terms and example sentences
- MP3 audio files for all prompts
- PowerPoint review presentations with handouts, video lessons, and resources for tutors and teachers

## Get More Online!

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