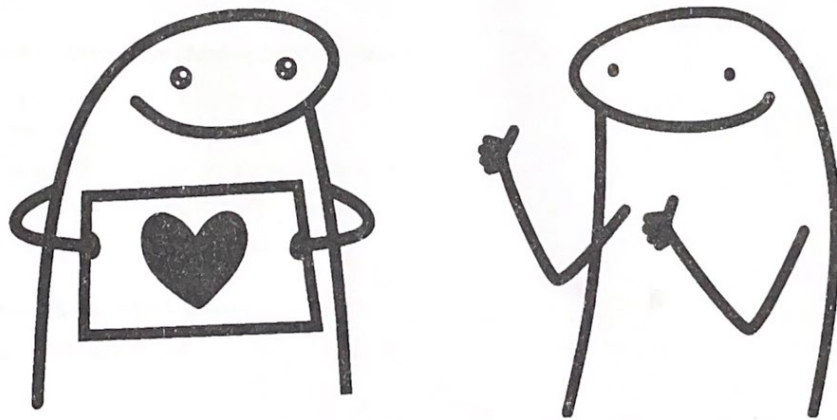


ตะลุยโจทย์ภาษาอังกฤษ

# TGAT & A-LEVEL

ระดับมัธยมศึกษาปีที่ 6



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**SURATITTAYA SCHOOL**

## ข้อสอบ TGAT1 91 การสื่อสารภาษาอังกฤษ ประกอบด้วย 2 ส่วนคือ

### ส่วนที่ 1 : ทักษะการพูด (Speaking Skill) (50 คะแนน)

#### 1) การถาม-ตอบ (Question-Response)

- จำนวนข้อคำถาม (10 ข้อ)

#### 2) เติมบทสนทนาแบบสั้น (Short conversations) จำนวน 3 บทสนทนา

- จำนวนข้อคำถาม (3 - 4 ข้อ/บทสนทนา รวม 10 ข้อ)

#### 3) เติมบทสนทนาแบบยาว (Long conversations) จำนวน 2 บทสนทนา

- จำนวนข้อคำถาม (5 ข้อ/บทสนทนา รวม 10 ข้อ)

จำนวน: 30 ข้อ

### ส่วนที่ 2 : ทักษะการอ่าน (Reading Skill) (50 คะแนน)

#### 1) เติมข้อความในเนื้อเรื่องให้สมบูรณ์ (Text completion) จำนวน 2 บทความ

- จำนวนข้อคำถาม (7-8 ข้อ/บทความ รวม 15 ข้อ)

#### 2) อ่านเพื่อจับใจความ (Reading comprehension) จำนวน 3 บทความ

หมายเหตุ : บทความทั่วไปที่ใช้ในการสื่อสาร มีจำนวนคำประมาณ 100- 200 คำ

- จำนวนข้อคำถาม (5 ข้อ/บทความ รวม 15 ข้อ)

จำนวน: 30 ข้อ

### ประเภทข้อสอบ ปรนัย (4 ตัวเลือก)

ระยะเวลาที่ใช้สอบ 60 นาที

#### จำนวนข้อ

ทักษะการพูด (Speaking Skill) / 50 คะแนน

30 ข้อ

ทักษะการอ่าน (Reading Skill) / 50 คะแนน

30 ข้อ

รวม

60 ข้อ

คะแนนเต็ม

100 คะแนน

## Section I: Listening and Speaking Skills

Directions: Choose the best answers to complete the following conversations.

1)

Q: Why are you wearing a bandage?

R: \_\_\_\_\_

1. I have a bad stomachache.
3. I was in a car accident.

2. I think it's too expensive.
4. I'm going to a concert.

2)

Q: What's the matter with your friend?

R: \_\_\_\_\_

1. He is a friendly person.
3. He scored well.

2. He likes science.
4. He lost his dog.

3)

Q: Hello, I'll be your waiter today. \_\_\_\_\_?

R: Yes. I'll have iced tea, please.

1. Can I start you off with something to drink
3. Is there anything else
5. Would you like to try it on

2. What is bothering you
4. What can I do for you today

4)

Q: Did you finally receive the ring that you bought online three weeks ago?

R: Nope. \_\_\_\_\_. I'll be a lot more careful in the future when I buy stuff from a website.

1. I bought it from a department store
3. I didn't pay for it eventually
5. It never arrived

2. It is indeed beautiful
4. I don't need a ring anymore

5)

Driver: Yes, Officer. Why have you pulled me over?

Police officer: Because \_\_\_\_\_.

Driver: But the yellow light was on when I drove through, Officer.

1. I remember your plate number
3. something is wrong with your car
5. your car is similar to the one stolen

2. you just drove through a red light
4. the car engine is making a loud noise

**Part One: Expressions (Items 1-15)**

Choose the best answer.

**Two friends (1-2)**

David: \_\_\_\_\_1\_\_\_\_\_? I haven't seen her for ages.

Linda: Oh, she's fine. She just got a job with the government.

David: That's great news. We should \_\_\_\_\_2\_\_\_\_\_, Jason would love to see you both, too.

Linda: Sure. That'd be great.

- |    |  |                                |
|----|--|--------------------------------|
| 1. | 1. How have you been                   | 2. What do you do for a living |
|    | 3. What is her occupation              | 4. How's Sarah doing           |
|    | 5. What are Sarah doing                |                                |
| 2. | 1. get together one of these days      | 2. say congratulations to you  |
|    | 3. tell her this news                  | 4. enjoy our conversation      |
|    | 5. bring this up in tomorrow's meeting |                                |

**At an intersection (3-6)**

Officer: Excuse me, sir. Please pull up to the side.

Rachel: Sir, \_\_\_\_\_3\_\_\_\_\_?

Officer: Are you aware that \_\_\_\_\_4\_\_\_\_\_?

Rachel: I apologize, but I didn't realize that I did that.

Officer: Weren't you taught that yellow means slow down, not speed up?

Rachel: I did learn that.

Officer: \_\_\_\_\_5\_\_\_\_\_

Rachel: Oh, sorry sir, I don't have it on me. Honestly, I forgot it back at the house. But I have the insurance policy with me. Here it is.

Officer: \_\_\_\_\_6\_\_\_\_\_. Sign here, please.

- |    |  |                                  |
|----|--|----------------------------------|
| 3. | 1. do you see how busy I am                                    | 2. did you cut me off            |
|    | 3. did I do anything wrong                                     | 4. do you have a problem with me |
|    | 5. are you crazy   |                                  |
| 4. | 1. I have stood here before you coming                         |                                  |
|    | 2. it's not me   |                                  |
|    | 3. your car has broken down                                    |                                  |
|    | 4. you drove through a red light                               |                                  |
|    | 5. you should have great respect and regard for a yellow light |                                  |



7. 1. it's difficult to get this job 2. give me a chance to talk with you  
3. this is my first interview 4. let me introduce myself  
5. I need to know why you want this position
8. 1. What type of qualifications do you require 2. Where did you study for your job  
3. Do you need someone to help your job 4. What are my accountabilities  
5. What do you think of working experience
9. 1. Do you think you can train a new person? 2. What is the level position?  
3. What kind of experience are you looking for? 4. I ask you to do office work.  
5. My experience will definitely help me get this job.
10. 1. when did you graduate 2. how did you perform in leaning  
3. are you going to study for degree in Finance 4. say something that inspires me  
5. tell me a little bit about yourself
11. 1. Do you think practice makes perfect 2. What can I do to help you  
3. What are some of the important theories 4. Did you learn anything at university  
5. What are you looking for in a job
12. 1. How did you get on in your latest job 2. Do you want to battle me  
3. What are your strengths 4. What about your friends  
5. Weren't you interested in university academic activities
13. 1. What are the pros and cons of working here 2. What about your weaknesses  
3. Why are you applying for this position 4. How can I identify your habits  
5. What else should I know to apply this position
14. 1. let me ask you a few quick questions 2. you know about my style  
3. you quit your previous job 4. let you introduce your dream  
5. I will give you some helpful answers
15. 1. give me a ride to your university 2. handle pressure  
3. tell me what your strategies is 4. take a few courses for me  
5. sleep for a while

**Part One: Expressions (Items 1-15)**

Choose the best answer.

**Reservation (1-4)**

Patric: I'd like to \_\_\_\_\_1\_\_\_\_\_ at your hotel.

Receptionist: That should be no problem. \_\_\_\_\_2\_\_\_\_\_?

Patric: On May 14th.

Receptionist: How many days do you need the reservation for?

Patric: I need the room for 3 nights.

Receptionist: Our room rates recently went up. Is that okay with you?

Patric: How much per night are we talking about?

Receptionist: Each night will be \$200.

Patric: \_\_\_\_\_3\_\_\_\_\_

Receptionist: Wonderful! Do you prefer a smoking or nonsmoking room?

Patric: Nonsmoking, please.

Receptionist: All right. \_\_\_\_\_4\_\_\_\_\_?

Patric: My name is Patric Smith.

Receptionist: Thank you, Mr. Smith. We look forward to seeing you in New York!

1.
  1. cancel the reservation
  2. pay by cash
  3. reserve a table
  4. book a room
  5. find another hotel
2.
  1. When is your free time
  2. What day will you be arriving
  3. When is your birthday
  4. What time do you have
  5. What's the best time to visit you
3.
  1. That price is perfectly acceptable.
  2. That's a rip-off!
  3. You're supposed to reduce the price.
  4. It costs an arm and a leg!
  5. It's not worth it.
4.
  1. What is your title
  2. Can you speak up a little bit
  3. May I ask who's calling
  4. Why don't you introduce yourself
  5. Who recommended this place to you

## Investigation (5-6)

Officer: So you think your neighbor committed murder. \_\_\_\_5\_\_\_\_

Mr. Peter: I heard a woman screaming for help and then I heard something falling to the floor.

Officer: And then you saw your neighbor rush out of the house?

Mr. Peter: Sure. He looked frightened.

Officer: \_\_\_\_6\_\_\_\_?

Mr. Peter: He was wearing a black suit, a white shirt and a black tie. It's hard to believe he's a murderer.

5. 1. I heard you were with your neighbor. 2. You must know the woman.  
3. I'm sure you knew what I'm talking about. 4. Were you having some problems?  
5. What makes you so sure of that?

6. 1. Did you arrest him 2. Who was he 3. What was he wearing  
4. What did he look like 5. Are you certain he was wearing a suit

## Two friends (7-9)

April: You look tired. Would you like to have a cup of coffee with me?

Joe: I'm broke. I've gone through my paycheck for the week already.

April: Don't worry about it. \_\_\_\_7\_\_\_\_.

Joe: Are you sure? You're so generous!

April: And nice, too. Well, \_\_\_\_8\_\_\_\_?

Joe: As usual, I keep visiting clients and making phone calls.

April: Yes. I am glad to see that you hold on to these routines. Most the people think that the work can be tiresome and they started to lose interest.

Joe: I agree. Sometimes the clients' refusals cause me great distress and I found it difficult to deal with it.

April: I can totally understand. Still, I hope you can keep up the good work. \_\_\_\_9\_\_\_\_!

7. 1. Just call your mom 2. It's my treat 3. The meal is free  
4. You can lend me money 5. You're going to get your paycheck tomorrow

8. 1. How did it happen 2. How do you do 3. How about you  
4. How wealthy am I 5. How are things with you

9. 1. It's easier said than done 2. You've got to be kidding  
3. There are plenty more fish in the sea 4. You have to throw in the towel  
5. Where there's a will, there's a way





## Section 2: Reading

### Advertisement / Visual

#### คำถามที่อาจจะเจอ

- Main Idea Question
- Comparison Question
- Detail Question
- Inference Question

What is the purpose of the advertisement?

What information does this bar graph show/ represent?

What can be concluded/ summarized from this graph?

What is the highest and lowest rate of.....?

### Advertisement

Your health is important. So is the hospital that cares for it. At Walmount General Hospital, our team of specialists is devoted to the highest level of care for our patients. That's why we're nationally ranked in more specialties than other hospitals in the West Coast. Our hospital provides various kind of service such as emergency care, maternity, nursing, surgery, pharmacy and other specialties. So join the 31,000 patients from 60 states and 20 countries who travelled last year to receive the leading care that only Walmount General Hospital can provide. Learn more about Walmount General Hospital at [Walmount General Hospital.org](http://WalmountGeneralHospital.org) or by calling 866-477-8466.

1. What is the purpose of the advertisement?

1. To describe the environment of the hospital.
2. To show the profile of the doctors working there.
3. To persuade the patients to receive treatments at the hospital.
4. To explain why Walmount General Hospital is the best hospital.
5. To advertise the telephone service by the hospital.

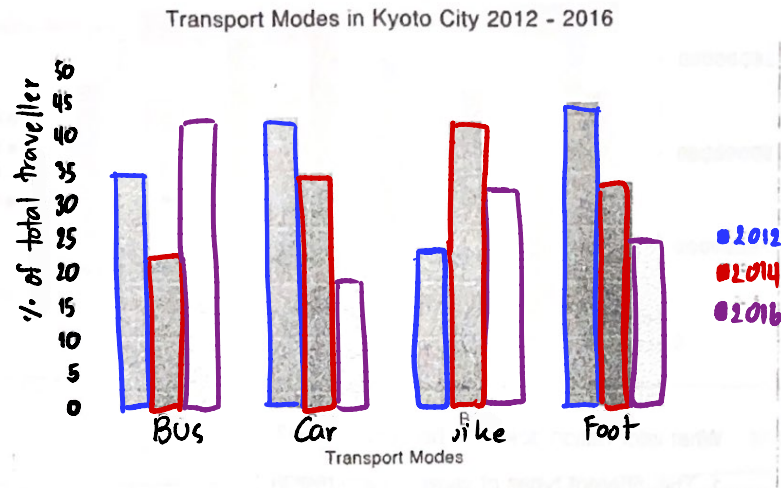
2. According to the passage, where do patients at Walmount General Hospital travel from?

1. Walmount
2. West coast
3. 60 states
4. 20 countries
5. other states and countries.

3. How can patients contact the hospital?

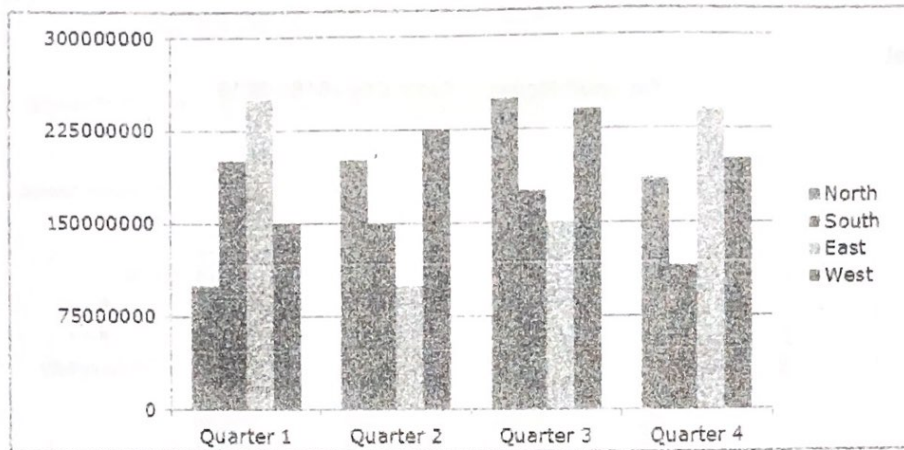
1. By mail
2. By email and letter
3. In person only
4. By telephone only
5. By telephone and website

## Visual



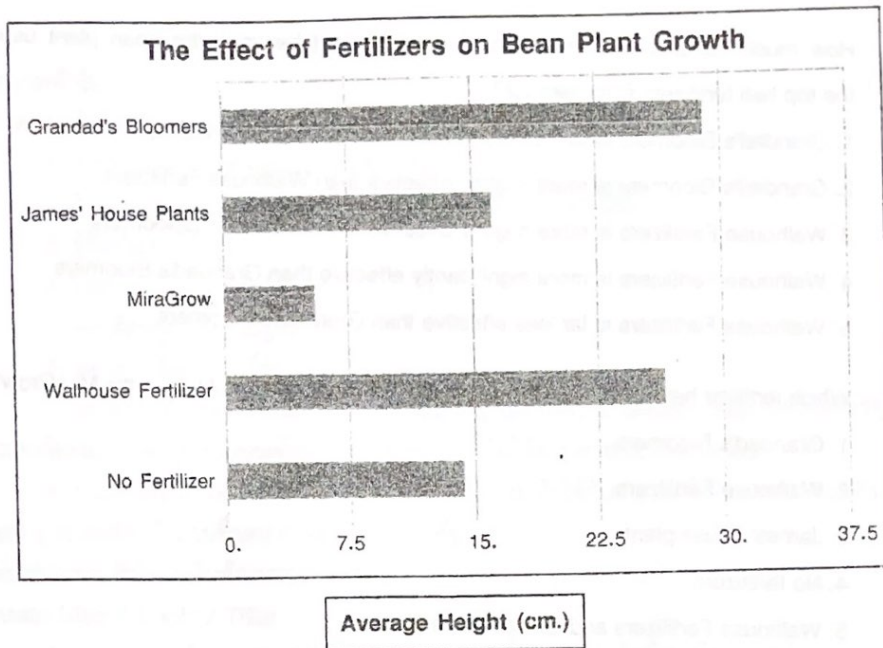
- What information does this bar graph show?
  - The different types of transport models in Kyoto
  - The number of people using transportation in Kyoto in 2012 - 2016
  - The bus terminals in Kyoto City in 2016
  - The various modes of transport in Kyoto City in 2012 - 2016
  - The difference of transportation in Kyoto City
- In which year did the car use receive the least popularity?
  - 2012
  - 2014
  - 2016
  - 2012 and 2014
  - 2014 and 2016
- Which mode of transport did its use decline during the period from 2012 to 2016?
  - Bus
  - Auto car
  - Bicycle
  - Walking
  - Auto car and walking
- In 2016, which mode of transportation gained the most popularity?
  - Bus
  - Auto car
  - Bicycle
  - Walking
  - Bus and walking
- What can be concluded from this bar graph?
  - In 2012, walking is the least popular mode people used.
  - Bus is the most popular transport mode in 2014.
  - The lowest use of cars showed in 2016.
  - The most popularity mode of transport is bike.
  - The highest use of bicycle appeared in 2012

Sales by Region  
For 2017 Fiscal Quarters



21. What information does this bar graph show?
  1. The different types of sales in each region
  2. The number of people in different regions
  3. The number of sales by region in each quarter
  4. The quarters of sales in fiscal year 2016
  5. The difference in each region
  
22. In which quarter does the sales rise to 250\$ millions by the East?
  1. In Quarter 2
  2. In Quarter 1
  3. In Quarter 4
  4. In Quarter 1 and 3
  5. In Quarter 3
  
23. How much is different sales between the North and the East in quarter 3?
 

1. 200 \$ millions	2. 350 \$ millions
3. 100 \$ millions	4. 150 \$ millions
5. 250 \$ millions	
  
24. In which quarters are the lowest sales by region found?
  1. In Quarter 1 and 2
  2. In Quarter 2 and 3
  3. In Quarter 3 and 4
  4. In Quarter 2 and 4
  5. In Quarter 1 and 3



21. What information does this bar graph represent?
1. The effect of different fertilizers used in bean planting
  2. The different fertilizers sold in the US.
  3. The number of fertilizers used in bean planting
  4. The bean planting and its growth
  5. The growth of bean plant
22. Which two fertilizers have the most effective result on bean plant?
1. MiraGrow and James' house plant
  2. Grandad's Bloomers and James' house plant
  3. MiraGrow and Grandad's Bloomers
  4. Grandad's Bloomers and Walhouse Fertilizers
  5. Walhouse fertilizers and MiraGrow

23. How much variation is there in the average height between the bean plant used the top two fertilizers from item 22?
1. Grandad's Bloomers is far more effective than Walhouse Fertilizers.
  2. Grandad's Bloomers is more slightly effective than Walhouse Fertilizers.
  3. Walhouse Fertilizers is more slightly effective than Grandad's Bbloomers.
  4. Walhouse Fertilizers is more significantly effective than Grandad's Bloomers.
  5. Walhouse Fertilizers is far less effective than Grandad's Bloomers.
24. Which fertilizer help the bean plant grow roughly three times as high as the MiraGrow?
1. Grandad's Bloomers
  2. Walhouse Fertilizers
  3. James' house plant
  4. No fertilizers
  5. Walhouse Fertilizers and Grandad's Bloomers
25. What can be summarized from this bar graph?
1. No use of fertilizers is the most effective way to bean planting.
  2. Walhouse Fertilizers is the most effective one among all fertilizers.
  3. MiraGrow gives the least effective result comparing to other fertilizers and no fertilizers.
  4. Grandad's Bloomers is the least effective fertilizer in the market.
  5. The bean plant should be fertilized so that it grows well.

## บทความทั่วไป

### เทคนิคการทำข้อสอบการอ่าน

1. อ่านคำถามก่อนหรืออ่านบทความก่อน
2. ฝึกทำข้อสอบ Reading อย่างสม่ำเสมอ โดยต้องจับเวลาจริงด้วย
3. รู้ศัพท์เยอะได้เปรียบ
4. ไวยากรณ์สำคัญไม่แพ้คำศัพท์
5. อย่าติดอยู่กับสิ่งที่ไม่รู้ในข้อสอบ
6. พยายามสังเกตคำเชื่อม
7. Skimming การอ่านเพื่อให้เห็นใจความสำคัญของบทความ และมองเห็นภาพรวมคร่าวๆ ที่นิยมคืออ่านประโยคแรก และประโยคสุดท้ายของแต่ละย่อหน้า มักใช้ตอบคำถาม main idea
8. Scanning การอ่านเพื่อหาข้อมูลเฉพาะที่ต้องการ มักใช้กับคำถามที่เป็นการทำ details เช่น ถามตัวเลข ถามวันเดือนปี ถามชื่อคน ถามสถานที่ เป็นต้น

### ประเภทคำถามที่มักเจอในข้อสอบ Reading

#### 1. Main idea / Topic / Title

Main idea – ต้องครอบคลุมเนื้อหาของบทความทั้งหมด ไม่กว้างไป หรือแคบไป

Topic / Title – มักจะเป็นคำ หรือกลุ่มคำที่ปรากฏซ้ำๆ อยู่ในบทความ

ลักษณะคำถามที่มักพบ

What is the main idea of the passage?

What does the passage mainly discuss?

What is the best title for the passage?

Which statement best expresses the overall idea of the passage?

#### 2. Vocabulary

ใช้การคาดเดาจากบริบท (Context clues) ต่าง ๆ ที่อยู่รอบข้างคำนั้น เช่น การคาดเดาจากความหมาย (definition) คำเหมือน (synonym) คำตรงข้าม (antonym) ตัวอย่าง (example) คำเชื่อม (Connectors) เป็นต้น

ลักษณะคำถามที่มักพบ

The word “\_\_\_\_\_” means \_\_\_\_\_.

The word “\_\_\_\_\_” is closest in meaning to \_\_\_\_\_.

The word “\_\_\_\_\_” can best be replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 3. Reference

มักเป็นคำถามที่ใช้ pronoun ที่ใช้กล่าวถึงคำนาม ในการหาคำนามที่มันแทนที่ให้ออกหลังกลับไปอ่านประโยคที่อยู่ก่อนหน้าคำสรรพนามนั้นประมาณ 1-2 ประโยค แต่โอกาสที่จะถอยกลับไปมากกว่า 3 ประโยคมีน้อยมาก

ลักษณะคำถามที่มักพบ

The pronoun “\_\_\_\_\_” refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

What does the word “\_\_\_\_\_” refers to \_\_\_\_\_?

#### 4. Inference

เป็นคำถามที่ต้องตีความ หรือสรุปข้อมูลทั้งหมดในบทความที่เราอ่าน ควรเก็บไว้ทำหลังสุด

### ลักษณะคำถามที่มักพบ

- What can be inferred / concluded from the passage?
- What CANNOT be inferred / concluded from the passage?
- Which of the following statements CANNOT be inferred from the passage?
- What does the writer/author imply/suggest/infer/conclude about \_\_\_\_\_?

### 5. Details

โจทย์มักถามข้อมูลทั่วไปที่มีอยู่ในบทความ เช่น ถามวันเดือนปี สถานที่ ชื่อคน ถามว่าอะไรจริง (TRUE) อะไรไม่จริง (NOT TRUE) ข้อสอบประเภทนี้อาจใช้วิธี Scanning เข้ามาช่วยในการหาคำตอบได้ ลักษณะของตัวเลือกที่ผิดมักจะมีความหมายกว้างเกินไปหรือแคบเกินไป ไม่ได้มีการกล่าวถึงในบทความ หรือถ้ามี บางอย่างก็ผิดความหมายไปจากบทความ เป็นการกล่าวเกินจริงหรือเด็ดขาดเกินไป โดยมักจะมีคำว่า always, only, all, every, never, no way, absolutely, completely เป็นต้น

### ลักษณะคำถามที่มักพบ

- Which of the following is TRUE according to the passage?
- Which of the following is NOT true according to the passage?

### 6. Purpose / Tone / Attitude

#### คำศัพท์ที่ควรรู้

- |                                      |   |                                 |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| - inform (ให้ข้อมูล)                 | - persuade (ชักชวน โน้มน้าว)            | - discuss (อภิปราย)             |
| - criticize (วิจารณ์)                | - convince (โน้มน้าว)                   | - describe (บรรยายให้เห็นภาพ)   |
| - amuse (ขบขัน)                      | - inspire (ให้แรงบันดาลใจ)              | - warning, caution (เตือน)      |
| - pessimistic (มองโลกในแง่ลบ)        | - negative (แง่ลบ)                      | - neutral, objective (เป็นกลาง) |
| - concerned, worried (เป็นกังวล)     | - tragic (โศกสลด)                       | - disappointed (ผิดหวัง)        |
| - optimistic (ที่มองโลกในแง่บวก)     | - positive (แง่บวก)                     | - demonstrate (สาธิต)           |
| - mocking (เย้ยหยัน)                 | - curious (อยากรู้อยากเห็น)             | - humorous (ที่ขำขัน)           |
| - advise, suggest, recommend (แนะนำ) | - sarcastic, ironic (เหน็บแนม, เสียดสี) |                                 |

### ลักษณะคำถามที่มักพบ

- What is the main purpose of this passage?
- The tone of the passage can best be described as \_\_\_\_\_.



**Part Three: Reading (Items 31-45)**

**Choose the best answer.**

**Passage 1 (Items 31-33)**

The rhesus monkey, named Darwin, became an internet sensation when he escaped from his owner Yasmin Nakhuda's car in the parking lot of the Canadian store on Sunday, and was caught on camera ambling about in a fitted sheepskin coat.

He was captured by animal control officers and moved to a primate sanctuary, but today Ms. Nakhuda said Darwin should have the right to choose, and revealed she is considering taking legal action. She claims the Japanese **macaque** was illegally taken away from her by the city's animal services and moved to a sanctuary in Sunderland, Ontario.

A spokesman at Animal Services said **the young primate** was very quiet and lacked signs of personality, which can be a sign of stress. Ms. Nakhuda said she believed the separation was wearing on him.

(Source: <http://www.telegraph.co.uk>)

31. According to the excerpt, which of the following is **TRUE**?
1. The Canadian store reported the incident to a sanctuary to catch Darwin.
  2. Darwin escaped from his owner and refused to live with her.
  3. Darwin attracted a large number of internet users.
  4. Darwin belonged to a species that had been declared extinct.
  5. A spokesman showed a sign of stress because Ms. Nakhuda was very upset.
32. The word '**macaque**' can best be replaced by \_\_\_\_\_.
- |            |          |           |        |            |
|------------|----------|-----------|--------|------------|
| 1. country | 2. owner | 3. monkey | 4. zoo | 5. service |
|------------|----------|-----------|--------|------------|
33. The phrase '**the young primate**' refers to \_\_\_\_\_.
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|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 1. a spokesman        | 2. Yasmin Nakhuda | 3. a sanctuary |
| 4. the Canadian store | 5. Darwin         |                |

**Passage 2 (Items 34-37)**

- (1) **Many of us grow up believing that intelligent people should have an opinion about absolutely everything.** "This is good, this is bad, this is outrageous." Newspapers express opinions, politicians have opinions, current affairs shows have opinions, and next-door neighbors have opinions - "be concerned about this" and "be outraged about that."
- (2) You don't always have to have an opinion. Sometimes, it is appropriate to have no opinion at all. Why not just let people be? When your neighbor says, "don't you think Frank should get a job?" You may like to say, "I think Frank should do what he want." When she says, "Isn't it terrible that Frank's wife is so overweight?" you say to yourself, " Perhaps she's learning about being fat."
- (3) Sometimes, of course, it's necessary to pass opinions or make an assessment of people - e.g. "Does my secretary produce results?" "Is my accountant doing his job?" But there are many times when it's unproductive to pass judgment.
- (4) Try this experiment. Spend a week not judging anything or anybody. Next time you meet someone who talks a lot, spends a lot, complains a lot, or doesn't work, mentally say to yourself, "I give you the space to experience life as you choose. It is not for me to judge you." Life becomes a lot more serene.
- (5) A "non-judgmental" attitude dose not mean that you have to "like" everybody, or that you don't have preferences - it means that you adopt an attitude where you are at peace with those around you.
- (6) There will be times when you choose not to be in another's company, but this can stem more from attitude of what feels right for you rather than from condemnation of other people's differences.

34. "Many of us grow up believing that intelligent people should have an opinion about absolutely everything" (lines 1-2) means it is \_\_\_\_\_.
1. thought that giving an opinion is one way to show a person's intelligence
  2. necessary that people who have an opinion should not be considered intelligent
  3. true that only intelligent people know how to give opinions about everything
  4. true that having opinions about everything is necessary for people
  5. believed that people will become intelligent after they give opinions about everything
35. According to paragraph 2, we learn that \_\_\_\_\_.
1. it is essential to observe how other people live and behave
  2. it's not always necessary to have opinions about others
  3. it's very rude to give opinions about your neighbor's personal affairs
  4. there are several ways to express opinions about other people
  5. there isn't any reason to have opinions about your neighbors

36. In paragraphs 3-4, the writer believes that your life will be better if you \_\_\_\_\_.
1. don't talk to someone who complains a lot
  2. ignore neighbors who talk a lot
  3. give opinions only to people you work with
  4. give your opinions to certain people
  5. know how and when to pass opinions
37. What is the best title for the passage?
1. How People Become Intelligent
  2. Critical Opinions
  3. Ways to Know Your Neighbors
  4. Condemnation
  5. A "Non-judgmental" Attitude

**Passage 3 (Items 38-41)**

You'll probably be reading a lot about selenium in the coming months. Soon-to-be-released studies are expected to replicate in human's selenium's impressive cancer-prevention prowess in rats and other animals.

But the formerly obscure mineral may also be crucial for proper brain function. Although researchers haven't yet figured out its exact role, it appears selenium helps us maintain a happy, healthy mood.

The latest clue comes from a study in which 12 men, holed up in a research facility for four months, were fed either a high-or low-selenium diet. Those on the reduced-selenium regimen - - and whose initial selenium levels were low - - were more prone to depression and hostility, report biochemist Wayne Chris Hawkes, Ph.D., and clinical psychologist Linda Hombostel, Ph.D.

Though the finding fit together nicely with a British study in which selenium supplements boosted subject's moods, it's unlikely that selenium deficiency is responsible for much depression in the U.S., says Hawkes, a researcher at the USDA Agricultural Research Service. How much of the mineral you get depends less on what you eat than where the food comes from. If your fruits, vegetables, and livestock are raised in selenium-poor soil, you may be at risk of deficiency, but selenium levels are adequate in most U.S. farmland.

Not so, however, in New Zealand and parts of China, according to Hawkes. (In the USDA study, in fact, the low-selenium group was fed New Zealand beef.) In such countries, dietary selenium levels could be insufficient for optimal mood maintenance.

Selenium's importance is underscored by the fact that when the body's stock is being depleted, the brain is the last organ to give up its supply. But scientists still have little idea what the brain is doing with its stash, or why low levels would alter mood. Predicts Hawkes: "It'll be at least ten years before we sort that out."

38. Which of the following is **NOT TRUE**?
1. In New Zealand and China, the soil lacks sufficient levels of selenium.
  2. U.S. research on selenium produced similar results to that in Britain.
  3. Selenium deficiency can affect brain function and mood changes.
  4. The main factor causing depression in Americans is selenium deficiency.
  5. Most U.S. farmland has adequate selenium levels.
39. The writer's intention is to \_\_\_\_\_.
1. inquire
  2. blame
  3. propose
  4. protest
  5. inform
40. Future studies of selenium will probably focus on \_\_\_\_\_.
1. the relationship between land usage and selenium levels
  2. the cause of selenium's effects on the brain
  3. dietary selenium intake
  4. mood swings in animals
  5. the meaning of the word 'selenium'
41. According to the passage, which pair of words has the opposite meaning?
1. adequate – insufficient
  2. responsible – crucial
  3. help – maintain
  4. depression – hostility
  5. boosted – supplements

#### Passage 4 (Items 42-45)

#### HIVE

Bangkok has many options of co-working spaces for freelancers, start-ups and small companies and their number is on the rise. If only your office looked half as nice as *Hive*, your Monday blues wouldn't be so bad. The brand's first international branch outside Hong Kong has an inspiring interior with its loft feel and ample natural light coming through large windows. The seven-storey building offers different settings. Work like you do at coffee shops at the lounge

area. If you come and go with laptops, there are **hot desks**. If you need to bring your desktop and leave it there on your own desk, it can be arranged. Should you already work with a small team of people, rent your own office. Or work while drinking a martini at the rooftop garden bar.

They aim to create an environment that encourages productivity but connects like-minded people who work in different trades. They bring members together through activities such as movie nights and networking over beers. They also have *Hivers Seeking Help*, an email list that members can use to ask for or give help. People who have already signed up with them include a film-maker, magazine team, app developer and advertising agency. The ratio between Thai and expat members is now 50:50.

Reward yourself after a long productive day at one of the many nearby distractions such as *Grease*, *Gute* and *Kai Yang Sua Yai*. Their restaurant and spa will open in July. Typing on your laptop or having a meeting while getting your feet rubbed is what we call working in style.

(Source: <http://www.bangkokpost.com/print/416419/>)

42. All of the following adjectives apply to Hive EXCEPT \_\_\_\_\_.
1. health-conscious
  2. well-ventilated
  3. international
  4. airy
  5. diverse
43. What does the phrase "hot desks" refer to?
1. desks which have a high temperature
  2. desks that do not belong to a particular person
  3. desks for those who work outdoors only
  4. desks for those whose laptops are broken
  5. desks for people bringing their desktop to the first day of work
44. Which of the following is NOT being implied?
1. Hive's headquarter is located in Hong Kong.
  2. Hive allows members to meet people in various careers.
  3. Hive's clients include both Thais and foreigners.
  4. Hive is not suitable for people who work in the entertainment industry.
  5. Good office design can increase productivity.
45. The tone of the passage can best be described as \_\_\_\_\_.
1. objective
  2. ironic
  3. informative
  4. entertaining
  5. persuasive

## Items 51-55

Choose the best answer.

The information about the surrogacy will be \_\_\_\_51\_\_\_\_ for couples who have infertility problems but still dream about parenthood. A surrogate mother is a woman who agrees \_\_\_\_52\_\_\_\_ someone else's baby. She becomes pregnant using some form of assisted reproductive technology. It is important to note that feminist thought on surrogacy is divided, with some viewing surrogacy as the ultimate exploitation of women and \_\_\_\_53\_\_\_\_ insisting that women should have autonomy over their reproductive lives and thus be free to act as paid surrogates should they so wish. A Florida couple, Gordon Lake and Manuel Santos have spent the past six months in Thailand, stuck in \_\_\_\_54\_\_\_\_ they call a nightmare situation. Gordon Lake told ABC that the past six months have obviously been \_\_\_\_55\_\_\_\_ of our lives.

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|-----|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 51. | 1. extreme interest          | 2. interested extremely      |
|     | 3. extremely interesting     | 4. interestingly extreme     |
|     | 5. extreme interested        |                              |
| 52. | 1. carry                     | 2. carrying                  |
|     | 3. with carrying             | 4. to carry                  |
|     | 5. on carrying               |                              |
| 53. | 1. others                    | 2. the others                |
|     | 3. another                   | 4. each other                |
|     | 5. the other                 |                              |
| 54. | 1. which                     | 2. what                      |
|     | 3. how                       | 4. where                     |
|     | 5. when                      |                              |
| 55. | 1. most stressful month      | 2. the more stressful month  |
|     | 3. more stressful month      | 4. the more stressful months |
|     | 5. the most stressful months |                              |

49. (1) Located in Southern California, Los Angeles is one of the most (2) diverse and multicultural (3) city in the world, (4) with people from approximately 140 countries (5) speaking 86 different languages calling it home.
50. (1) According to a report (2) released by the department, the tests conducted in the Pacific (3) was performed on US Navy ships to test the (4) use of (5) protective gear.

#### Items 51-55

Choose the best answer.

The Internet can be a wonderful resource for kids. They can use it \_\_\_\_\_51\_\_\_\_\_ school reports, communicate with teachers and other kids, and play interactive games. Kids who are \_\_\_\_\_52\_\_\_\_\_ to swipe a screen can have access to the world. But that access can also pose hazards. \_\_\_\_\_53\_\_\_\_\_ an 8-year-old might do an online search for "Lego." But with just one missed keystroke, the word "Legs" \_\_\_\_\_54\_\_\_\_\_ instead, and the child may be directed to a slew of websites with a focus on legs — some of which may contain pornographic material. That's why it's important to be aware of what your kids see and hear on the Internet, \_\_\_\_\_55\_\_\_\_\_ and what they share about themselves online. As with any safety issue, it's wise to talk with your kids about your concerns and take advantage of resources to protect them.

(Source: <http://kidshealth.org/en/parents/net-safety.html>)

51. 1. to research                      2. for research                      3. research  
4. researched                      5. researching
52. 1. so old                              2. old enough                      3. as old as  
4. too old                              5. very old
53. 1. Such as                              2. For example                      3. However  
4. That is                              5. Furthermore
54. 1. enter                                  2. which is entered                      3. is entered  
4. were entered                      5. will enter
55. 1. who they meet                      2. who does they meet                      3. who meets people  
4. they meet people                      5. who do they want to meet

**Part Two: Vocabulary (Items 16-30)****Choose the best answer.**

16. Web-based tools and programs help the students to learn the lessons effectively than using the \_\_\_\_\_ ways like chalks and boards.  
1. corrective      2. modern      3. efficient      4. traditional      5. expensive
17. Investigators have found something which has led them to believe that the fire might have been \_\_\_\_\_ set to claim insurance money.  
1. rapidly      2. deliberately      3. spontaneously      4. genuinely      5. instantly
18. Most recipes can be \_\_\_\_\_ slightly with similar substitute ingredients. Don't be afraid to deviate from the recipe.  
1. preserved      2. consumed      3. recommended      4. altered      5. presented
19. An experienced front desk supervisor is required to \_\_\_\_\_ guest complaints in a professional manner.  
1. handle      2. destroy      3. maintain      4. upset      5. represent
20. Most employers appreciate \_\_\_\_\_ experience over educational qualification, which does not possess as much value if it is not coupled with hands-on experience.  
1. moral      2. intense      3. practical      4. positive      5. competitive
21. There is growing \_\_\_\_\_ that hitting children can lead them to be more \_\_\_\_\_ and to suffer from mental health issues such as depression and anxiety.  
1. demand, reliable      2. evidence, aggressive      3. research, noticeable  
4. interest, identical      5. debate, skillful
22. He cautioned that automation, for all its benefits, can \_\_\_\_\_ the performance and talents of those who \_\_\_\_\_ it.  
1. develop, depend on      2. sharpen, follow up      3. weaken, rely on  
4. strengthen, hold on      5. aggravate, look over
23. Police said the identity of the only \_\_\_\_\_ to a murder would remain \_\_\_\_\_ for several more weeks because of concerns over his safety.  
1. immigrant, removed      2. witness, confidential      3. observer, private  
4. offender, indulgent      5. victim, revealing



24. When you donate \_\_\_\_\_ like a microwave and a computer rescued from \_\_\_\_\_ piles, the receiving charity may resell the item to fund its activities and further its mission.
1. devices, conserved
  2. furnishing, reorganized
  3. products, recycled
  4. gadgets, abandoned
  5. appliances, discarded
25. The product contains natural \_\_\_\_\_ including herbs and essential oils that can erase wrinkles and fine lines at the cellular level - below the surface of the skin - which is why they're so \_\_\_\_\_.
1. ingredients, effective
  2. portions, impractical
  3. elements, delicious
  4. flavors, popular
  5. antibodies, competent
26. Some wildlife groups are worried that wolf numbers will plummet again if hunters are allowed to kill the animal.
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