

BULATS 聽讀測驗模擬練習題-閱讀部分 2014-2

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READING PART

Part 1

- Look at the following messages and notices.
- *For Questions 1-7 mark ONE letter A, B or C on your answer sheet.*

1 Please be aware that all company email accounts will be migrated to a new server this weekend. From 9:00pm Friday 8 September to 6:00am Monday 11 September you will not be able to access your account.
All login Usernames and Passwords will remain the same.

The company wants you to

- A make changes to your email login information before 11 September.
- B be aware of what new changes are being made to your email account.
- C understand that your email will be inaccessible for a period of time.

2 **FAQ: How many withdrawals can I make from my online account each month?**
You can make six withdrawals and transfers per month from your Online Savings Account. Please remember, you will be charged a \$10 fee for each transaction that exceeds this number.

- A You need to pay \$10 each time you make a transaction such as a withdrawal or transfer.
- B You cannot make more than six transactions a month.
- C There is no charge for making a small number of transactions each month.

3 Once you have provided the delivery address and chosen a shipping method, the costs will be calculated and shown on the screen.

- A After you pay, you will then need to provide details about where to send the product.
- B You will know how much to pay once you have decided how you want the product sent.
- C There is a place on the screen for you to work out the costs for the product and delivery.

- 4 Travel expenses for spouses are not reimbursable except where expenses are not separable (eg taxi). Where double room charges are incurred, the alternatively available single room rate is reimbursable.

If you travel with your husband or wife, the company will pay

- A for things you do together.
- B part of the hotel cost.
- C for a single room only.

- 5 This contact information is for accommodation requests only, not to inquire about the status of applications.

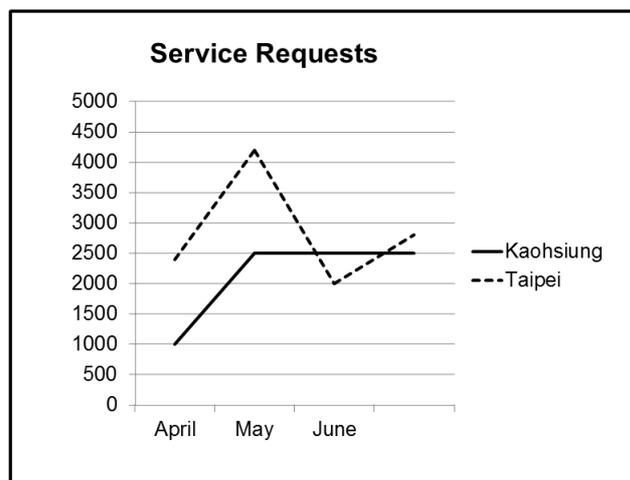
Use this contact information to

- A ask for a place to stay.
- B find out more about your accommodation.
- C check your application.

- 6 Full-time employees are entitled to purchase any of the company's products at a discount of 40%. All such purchases are for personal use only and may not be resold. The company reserves the right to cancel your order if it suspects you are purchasing for resale.

The purpose of this notice is to

- A inform staff that they may get a substantial discount on certain products the company sells.
- B check if any staff are purchasing and reselling company products.
- C make sure staff understand what they can and cannot do regarding a company benefit.



- 7 Which information is correct?
- A Service requests in Kaohsiung exceeded those in Taipei in June only.
 - B Taipei consistently received a higher number of service requests.

Part 2

- Choose the word which best completes each sentence.
 - For **Questions 1-6**, mark **ONE** letter **A**, **B**, or **C** on your answer sheet.
- 1 The annual company sports event will take on 4 August.
 - A place
 - B action
 - C occasion
 - D effect

 - 2 I to the office at around 8:30.
 - A am
 - B get
 - C arrive
 - D enter

 - 3 We are looking to reduce business travel and focus more on video conferencing
 - A instead
 - B otherwise
 - C resultingly
 - D rather

 - 4 Click on the link below to view our range of quality packaging products.
 - A widespread
 - B abundant
 - C sufficient
 - D extensive

 - 5 She's popular and she gets very well with most of her colleagues.
 - A over
 - B in
 - C on
 - D by

 - 6 Decisions regarding disciplinary action will be made in with company policy.
 - A regard
 - B agreement
 - C accordance
 - D confirmation

Part 3

- *Read this article from about Taikichiro Mori and answer questions 1-6 on the opposite page.*
- ***For Questions 1-6 mark ONE letter A, B or C on your answer sheet.***

At the time of his death in 1993, Taikichiro Mori was the world's richest man. Known as Tokyo's 'Ooyasan', a friendly nickname for landlord, he was a landowner and property developer that had been able to take advantage of Japan's rapid economic expansion in the booming post-war years. His property portfolio included more than 80 buildings in the city that was, at the time, the most expensive land on earth. Worth an estimated \$13 billion, Mori was at that time twice as wealthy as the richest American, Bill Gates.

It was not until he had already retired from a thirty-year career as an economics professor that Mori began to grow his property empire, expanding on two buildings owned by his father. His first step was to begin acquiring property in the Toranomom area in downtown Tokyo where he had grown up. Toranomom was then a residential area full of narrow streets and traditional wooden buildings, but Mori realized that for Japan to compete with the West modernization was essential. 'We have to change in order to live' he said in reference to the modern high-rise city he had helped construct.

One of the keys to Mori's success was his patience and the way he carefully built relationships with the people whose property he wished to purchase. His ability to separate residents from their land was remarkable in a culture which expected land to stay within a family for generations. Mori, however, played a long game and took time to establish trust with property owners, attending their festivals and even going on holiday with them on occasion.

In spite of being the world's richest man, there were none of the usual trappings of wealth. Mori lived in a modest dwelling, abstained from drinking and smoking and came to work in a traditional kimono. In fact, he seemed uncomfortable with the attention his status as the world's richest man brought him, 'I find it a little bit odd. I've been living and working at my own pace all this time, and now I'm getting all this attention.'

However, the greatest paradox was that the soaring property prices that had helped Mori build his empire and launched him into the position of world's wealthiest man were also one of his greatest concerns. He felt that property prices had become excessive in Tokyo, 'I compare it to the foam on beer, with the beer being the actual value of the land. There is too much foam on top' he once said.

- Read the article on the opposite page about Taikichiro Mori and answer **Questions 1 - 6**.

1 According to Paragraph 1, Taikichiro Mori

- A:** was able to use Japan's growth to become rich.
- B:** used his property to push up land prices in Tokyo.
- C:** could sell his property at the highest prices.

2 According to the second paragraph, Mori

- A:** started buying property from a young age.
- B:** preferred western styles of architecture.
- C:** felt Japan would suffer if it stayed the same.

3 According to the third paragraph, Mori was successful because

- A:** he could get cheaper prices from those he bought land from.
- B:** he was able to persuade people to sell him their land.
- C:** people liked to work with him.

4 How did Mori feel about his status as the world's richest man?

- A:** He was happy to finally be getting attention.
- B:** He thought it was strange.
- C:** He felt that it had made him a different person.

5 How did Mori feel about the property prices in Japan?

- A:** He thought that prices were in line with other commodities such as food and drink.
- B:** He thought the prices were higher than the land was worth.
- C:** He hoped the prices would continue to go higher.

6 What is the best title for this article?

- A:** Taikichiro Mori, a Japanese business genius
- B:** Taikichiro Mori, the most dynamic businessman of his generation
- C:** Taikichiro Mori, a careful man with a vision

Part 4

- For **Questions 1-5** read the text below and think of **ONE** word that best fits each space.
- Write only **one** word for each space on your Answer Sheet

Example :

We have a wide variety **(0)**..... products available.

Answer:

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Staying ahead of the game

Globalization and advances in technology mean that these days people in every industry find themselves **(1)**..... rapidly-changing and competitive environments. To make sure you are not left behind, it is necessary to keep **(2)**..... to date with what is new in your field. By doing so, you will be well placed to **(3)**..... advantage of new opportunities and you will be better able to make good decisions. One further benefit is that a good understanding of current trends will earn you **(4)**..... respect of your boss and peers. Follow industry news and be clear about **(5)**..... is happening in your industry.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____

Part 5

- Look at the following extract about managers and mentors.
- For **Questions 1-5** mark **ONE** letter **A, B** or **C** on your answer sheet.

SAFE AS HOUSES

Property has a reputation for being a safe investment and it is true that it can be a good way to (1) _____ income over the long term. Commercial real estate, which includes offices, factories and shops, can be a particularly reliable (2) _____ of income. Due to the high price of this kind of property, the only way smaller investors can invest is through a fund. Such funds are managed by a fund manager who (3) _____ a fee of around two percent of the rental income. The other alternative is residential property which can also be a reliable investment. However, it is risky to borrow money to purchase a house you hope to rent out to tenants as you need to be able to (4) _____ periods of time when the house is vacant. Furthermore, holiday homes, houses in poor areas or student accommodation are usually (5) _____ not worth the time you will spend managing them.

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|---|-----------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| 1 | A cause | B accomplish | C generate | D lead |
| 2 | A point | B origin | C basis | D source |
| 3 | A effects | B charges | C places | D commits |
| 4 | A cover | B extend | C secure | D compensate |
| 5 | A quite | B just | C exactly | D such |

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