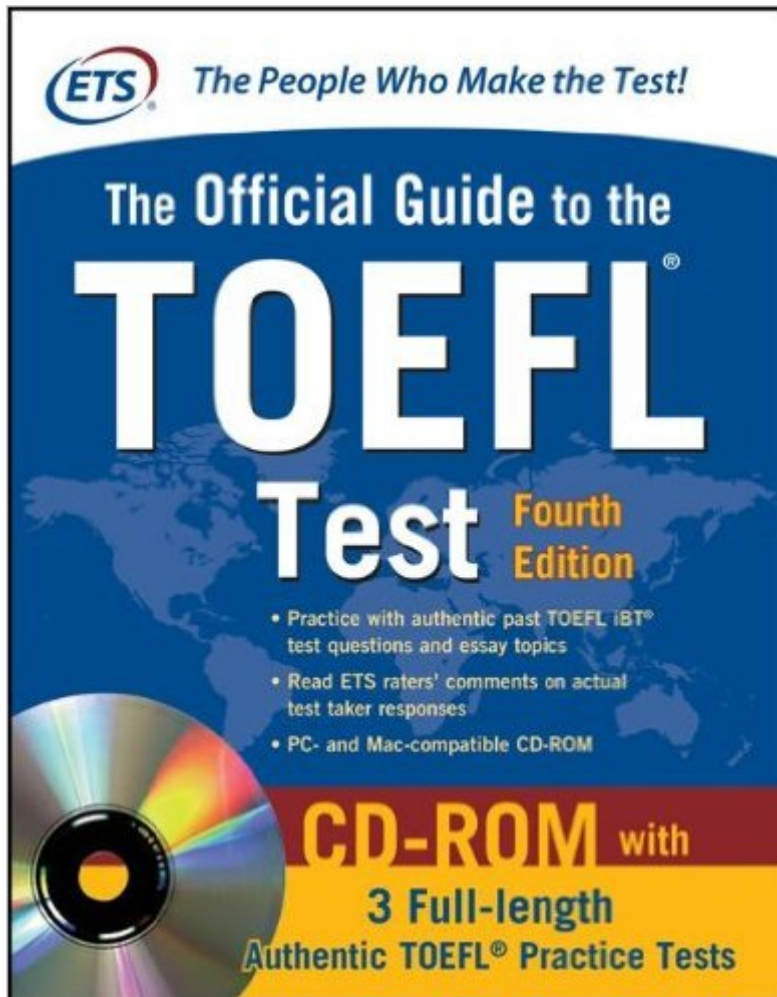


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The one and only bestselling official guide to the TOEFL, from the makers of the test! Now expanded with a third actual TOEFL exam This Official Guide to the TOEFL Test is the best, most reliable guide to the test that is used around the world to assess foreign applicants to U.S. and Canadian universities for English proficiency. It includes real TOEFL questions for practice, as well as explanations of every section of the test and information on what is expected for every speaking and writing task. You will learn how to construct a good answer and how to integrate speaking, listening, and writing skills to demonstrate college-level English proficiency. The accompanying CD-ROM provides three authentic TOEFL iBT practice tests just like the one you will encounter on test day. Inside you'll find: 600 real TOEFL questions from the test-makers A CD-ROM with 3 authentic TOEFL iBT practice tests Strategies for success

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Customer Reviews

I have taken TOEFL Test and scored 115/120... Certainly, this book was important during my preparation. Actually, I first bought the Barron's Superpack, and it was really useful because it has 8 model tests, and I really like to overprepare... When there were only a few weeks before the test, I bought this book from the test-makers, and I believe it was a great deal... Even though it only contains 3 model tests (quite a few in my opinion, but ETS is working on it, releasing now volumes with actual tests), they are authentic ones and -as expected- provides students with a real sense of

the test difficulty and what the test taker is expected to do in each type of question during the test. It explains all answers comprehensively, highlighting not only why one option is correct, but why the others are wrong. There are also plenty of examples of writing questions with actual students' texts and their scores; the same is true for speaking questions. Finally, the CD-ROM is, in my opinion, really good and I have not experienced any problems with it. However, its design on the screen and the way the students need to go from one question to another is a little bit different from the actual test. In conclusion, I believe that if you are gonna take the test, buy this book; preferably, if you have time, in addition to another book with more model tests, even though they will not be authentic...

In general, I think the ETS Guide is the best book to use for TOEFL preparation. In fact, I lobbied my college department for years in order to get them to switch to this book for our TOEFL prep program. They finally did, just in time for the 4th edition, and now I am totally pissed off about the CD change that came without warning! In the past editions, teachers could use the CD with their classes, because the CD allowed you to either install the test program or to just listen to the audio tracks. Since teachers are not allowed to install programs onto classroom computers, we now cannot use the part of the CD that requires installation. The 4th edition CD does not allow you to listen to the audio tracks without installing the software. So now all the students have books and the teachers have books, and we cannot play any of the audio tracks in class! There was no indication of that change at all before we got the book. I can't understand why ETS would make that change, surely knowing that many schools order the book for classes and that teachers would not be able easily access the audio tracks in class. Therefore, I give the book 4 stars instead of the 5 it would have otherwise.

I've been teaching TOEFL for more than 15 years and this is the book I recommend to my students. It's limited in the amount of practice, however it is the most authentic material that test takers can find. An added bonus in the fourth edition is the fact that the CD ROM is both Mac and Windows compatible for the first time. UPDATE: I've purchased three of these books from and another three elsewhere and the CD ROM's (six in total) all quit unexpectedly after the first two speaking tasks, making it impossible to view the last three speaking questions in all of the practice tests. It's almost certainly a bug in the software. I've downgraded my rating from five stars to three.

I am currently using this book to study for the TOEFL Exam and it is amazing. It has great techniques to save time & score higher as well as a lot of previous authentic exam questions. The

CD actually works fine and all exams are there but it needs to be installed. Although many people said not all of the exams worked for them, they worked just fine for me. Highly recommended book if you want to score higher than 90 on the TOEFL. Will update with my score as soon as i get it. Finally got my TOEFL Scores & Highly recommend this. I got a total of 109 from 120 with the least of reading at 24/30. Highly advised to study from this book but if you want a score of 26 or higher in reading you need to have a high knowledge of alot of vocabulary as many of the toefl exams include hard vocabulary.

It's definitely NOT enough for the TOEFL preparation. It gave me the idea that ETS wrote this book just to sell the sample tests. They represent more than 60% of the book. Additionally, it only describes the type of questions and gives superficial tips. If one really wants a step by step how-to-do book he should try Cambridge Preparation or other similar book.

Pro: CDs got Reading, Listening, Speaking, Writing and they're compatible with Mac/ PC. If you find CDs as a crucial way to practice, then buy this ETS product. In my experience, other brand's CDs usually have audio only, which is a huge disappointment. For Mac users, Kaplan's TOEFL CD (2009 edition) will NEVER work since the CD was only compatible with old Macs with previous processor PowerPC before Apple decided to choose Intel processor (PC users are generally OK)
.Cons: Reused samples of lectures/ student conversation etc in the book (I see same exact stuff for over 3 yrs and ETS gotta update the book)

I am very thankful for this book, I have passed my toefl exam with the help of this. This is very informative,very easy to follow and most of all it is direct to the point. I highly reccomend this book together with barrons as your study materials. I thought i will not pass the toefl specially on the speaking question since english is not my native tongue but with the help of this and the additional CD ive reached my goal,score of 26 on the speaking area which is the minimum requirement to qualify for the nursing liscensing program in washington state. I am one step closer of becoming a nurse. With the help of this,studying and praying I passed the toefl. Very grateful of this book.

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