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	Part 3: true/false. Candidates read ten statements. They then read a longer factual text to decide whether each of the ten statements is correct or not.	Processing a factual text and scanning it for specific relevant information.
	Part 4: multiple choice. Candidates read a longer text and answer five multiple-choice questions, each with four options.	Reading a text for detailed comprehension, and understanding the attitude, opinion and purpose of the writer.
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