

TOEIC Reading comprehension - Test 1

Level 350 - 500

Read the passage and choose the correct answer:

Those old Movie Goer magazines in the basement may be worth more than you would imagine. A 152 copy featuring Clark Gable can be worth over \$750 and an old Lucille Ball is valued at \$900. But it's not just the oldies that are worth so much money. A collection of twenty-five Lost in Space covers from June, 2001 sells for more than \$450 online. "The internet has been great for collecting and has made it a lot easier to find things", says George Boulis, 58, a Boston based collector who has all the Movie Goer Magazine covers. They're worth about \$28000. And what do you think is the most valuable issue? The first one, of course: a mint-condition copy goes for more than \$1850.

1. What is this article about?

- A. The literary value of Movie Goer Magazine
- B. How George Boulis became a very rich man
- C. The monetary value of old issues of Movie Goer Magazine
- D. The monetary value of old covers of Movie Goer Magazine

2. Where does the writer assume the readers may have old issues of this magazine?

- A. In the attic
- B. In the basement
- C. Under their beds
- D. In their garages

3. Which is the most valuable issue of this magazine?

- A. The premier issue
- B. The ultimate issue
- C. The one with Lucille Ball
- D. The one with Clark Cable

Passage 1:

Peninsula Office Supplies and Equipment 105978 Rutherford Drive, Suite 110
Greensboro, RI 45790 Invoice No. 1078

Date: November 10

Ship date: November 15

Item	Price
1 Computer stand - model B	\$150
2 Desk chair model ZY	\$225
1 Large watercooler	\$85
3 Paper cutters	\$180
Subtotal	\$640
Shipping & handling	\$75
Amount due	4715

The above amount has been charged to your credit card.

Thank you for doing business with us

Passage 2:

November 21 Customer Service Department

Peninsula Office Supplies and Equipment

105978 Rutherford Drive, Suite 110

Greensboro, RI 45790

Dear Customer Service:

On November 18, we received a shipment of office furniture and equipment from your company. Unfortunately, the items we received were not the same as the items we ordered. I am enclosing a copy of the bill so that you can see exactly what was delivered to us. We did order a computer stand, but requested model D, which is half the price of model B. We also asked for only one desk chair, and we didn't order any paper cutters at all. At least the watercooler was correct. I have tried calling your Customer Service number repeatedly, but the line is always busy. Several attempts at emailing have also resulted in no response. Please let me know how we can return the office furniture which was erroneously delivered and receive instead the furniture that we actually ordered. I would like to resolve this matter as quickly as possible.

Sincerely yours,

J.J. Simpson

Office Manager

4. How long was the shipment in transit?

- A. 3 days
- B. 5 days
- C. 8 days
- D. 11 days

5. What did Mr. Simpson write the letter?

- A. Because he received the wrong order
- B. Because the furniture arrived damaged
- C. Because he didn't like what he ordered
- D. Because the furniture was too expensive

6. How much a model D computer stand cost?

- A. \$50
- B. \$75
- C. \$150
- D. \$300

7. How many watercoolers did Mr. Simpson order?

- A. None
- B. One
- C. Two
- D. Three

8. What happened when Mr. Simpson called the Customer Service number?

- A. He was asked to send an email
- B. His order was reshipped
- C. He received a refund
- D. He got a busy signal

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1. D

3. A

5. A

7. B

2. B

4. A

6. B

8. D