

Lesson 11

## Strategies in I ncomplete Sentences

This part tests your ability to select a word or phrase that will best complete the sentence.
There are forty incomplete sentences in this part.
Your knowledge of vocabulary as well as your knowledge of grammar are measured.
You must know the appropriate grammar rules and also be able to understand the context of the sentence in order to select the correct answer.
In your actual test book, you will see:
The $\qquad$ dignitaries were shown the plant.
A. visitors
B. visitation
C. visit
D. visiting

Let`s analyze the answer choices.
Choice A. visitors
Visitors is a plural noun. An adjective is needed between the read and dignitaries
Choice B. visitation
Visitation is a noun.
Choice C. visit
Visit could be a noun or a verb.
Choice D. visiting

Visiting is the participle form of the verb visit and is used here as an adjective.
Answer choice D is the most appropriate word. therefore, you should mark the oval D on your answer sheet.

## HELPFUL TIPS:

You can best prepare yourself for this part of the test by analyzing the Incorrect sentences in the grammar review sections.
You should pay close attention to what might cause a potential error. an incorrect two-word verb is used (turn in/on/off/down/up)

I NCORRECT: turn IN the volume
CORRECT: turn DOWN the volume
An incorrect form or tense follows a causitive verb.
II NCORRECT: We made it to happen
CORRECT: We made it happen
An incorrect preposition is used.
II NCORRECT: She lives TO Main Street
CORRECT: She lives ON Main Street.
An adverb is placed incorrectly.
II NCORRECT: We walk every day to school.
CORRECT: We walk to school every day. he wrong member of a word family is used.
IINCORRECT: I' II accept the invite
CORRECT: I` II accept the invitation. The wrong conjunction.
II NCORRECT: He is smart nor handsome.
CORRECT: He is smart and handsome The wrong transition
II NCORRECT: He is smart; however, he is handsome.
CORRECT: He is smart; moreover he is handsome. The wrong tense is used.
II NCORRECT: If he is not late, we left at five.
CORRECT: If he is not late, we will leave at five.

See TOEIC Lesson 12 Incomplete Sentence Exercise

