

English

Reading

Directions: In this section of the test, you will show how well you can understand written English. There are several selections and some questions about each one. For each question, mark the letter of the correct answer on your answer sheet.

Bananas

Millions of people around the world love bananas. They are the world's best selling fruit. People enjoy bananas as snacks, for dessert, or as an important part of a meal.

People started eating bananas thousands of years ago. Scientists who study plants think this fruit first grew in Asia. The very first bananas weren't like the ones we have today. They were probably tough* and difficult to eat.

Many people think bananas grow on trees, but this isn't true. Banana plants look like trees because they are so tall, but they aren't trees because they don't have woody trunks or branches. Bananas grow on large plants, not trees. They are in the same family as the beautiful orchid flower.

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1 What is the main idea of the selection?

- A fruits
- B trees
- C orchids
- D bananas

2 The author mentions Asia because

- A bananas do not grow in Asia.
- B many different fruits grow in Asia.
- C scientists believe the first bananas probably grew in Asia.
- D scientists have studied bananas in Asia.

3 What do bananas grow on?

- A trees
- B plants
- C orchids
- D branches

4 The very first bananas were probably

- A hard to eat.
- B sweet and juicy.
- C beautiful.
- D much larger than today's bananas.



	What Can Be Recycled? (or Reused)	What It Can Be Used For
Paper	Recycle newspapers, magazines, catalogs, and junk mail. (Reuse paper when possible.)	We get newspapers, cereal boxes, cardboard and insulation from recycled paper.
Plastic	Recycle soda bottles and other plastics. (Reuse clean plastic bags.)	Soda bottles, tables, benches, cameras, carpeting, and shoes can all be made from recycled plastic.
Glass	Recycle glass bottles and jars. (Keep glass jars to store things in.)	Glass can be turned into glass jars and tiles.
Metal	Recycle metal cans and foil trays.	Metal can be made into cans, cars, bicycles, nails, and refrigerators.
Batteries	Call to find out how to recycle batteries where you live. (Reminder: Because they can be used more than once, <u>rechargeable</u> batteries are a better choice.)	



5 What is this chart mostly about?

- A newspapers
- B recycling
- C buying food
- D saving money

6 What does the chart say about batteries?

- A You should find out where to recycle them.
- B They can be used to make steel.
- C They can be used to make tiles.
- D You can put them in any trash can.

7 The chart says, “rechargeable batteries are a better choice.” What does the word rechargeable mean?

- A can be used again
- B can be thrown away
- C does not cost very much
- D does not take up much space



Directions: In this section of the test, you will show how well you understand how to write in English. For each question, mark the letter of the correct answer on your answer sheet.

8 Choose the word that belongs in the blank.

The boy walked _____ the store after school.

- A to
- B at
- C of
- D on

For questions 1-2, choose the words that belong in each blank.

Jorge loves all kinds of movies. _____ **9** _____ because they make him happy. But he also _____ **10** _____ horror movies, science fiction, and adventure movies. If you go to a movie, you'll probably see Jorge there!

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- A He gets up early
- B He also studies hard
- C Comedies are his favorite
- D He likes English and Math more

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- A can't believe
- B likes to watch
- C always forgets
- D wasn't sure about