

English Proficiency Test for Aviation

Set 6- Pilot

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PART 1. TAPE-MEDIATED

Task 1. Introduction

Directions: You will be asked about yourself. Please answer in complete sentences.

1. Please state your name, and birth date. (20')
2. Describe what happened during your last training in a simulator. (35')
3. What are your privileges and responsibilities as an airline pilot? (35')

Task 2. Read-back Radiotelephony Messages

Directions: Read each message loudly and clearly. You have 20 to 40 seconds to read each message, depending on the time allotted. Begin speaking after the prompt.

Now read Message A.

- a. Holding point Runway 24C, request backtrack at present position and taxiway B4 via A2 (20')

Stop. Now read Message B.

- b. All four engines have been started, check everything normal, disconnect interphone, thank you, good day (20')

Stop. Now read Message C.

- c. Bigtown Tower, Aeroking 5621X, 12 miles south of the airport at 6,500 ft with Information F for landing (20')

Stop. Now read Message D.

- d. Bigbird 804, 20 miles north of PASO at 400ft, PASO at 52, request clearance to cross J432 at BF (20')

Stop. Now read Message E.

- e. Approach, ZT 517, cancel distress, engine restarted successfully but some passengers got injured, request first aid and ambulance on arrival. (25')

Task 3. Stating Own Idea about a Situation

Directions: Look at the picture below and answer the questions about it. You have 20 seconds to study the picture, and 60 seconds to answer each question. Now, study the picture. (20')



1. Describe the picture in as much detail as possible. Now describe the picture. (60')
2. How do you think this situation occurred? Now, answer the question. (60')

Task 4. Answering Questions about a Conversation

Directions: Listen to the following conversation between a pilot and an air traffic controller. You will be asked two questions about it. For each question, you have 20 seconds to prepare your answer and 30 seconds to respond. You may take notes while listening to the conversation. Now, listen.

(Audio Only)

Pilot: *Durban Tower, Airjet 829, fully established runway 27L*

Tower: *Airjet 829, report passing outer marker, QFE 1000 hPa*

Pilot: *QFE 1000 hpa, roger, Airjet 829*

Pilot: *Outer marker, Airjet 829*

Tower: *Airjet 829, continue approach, 767 just rolling*

Pilot: *Airjet 829*

Tower: *Airjet 829, cleared to land, wind calm*

Pilot: *Cleared to land, Airjet 829...lots of birds here...*

Pilot: *We took one ... two birds... and we lost number two engine... Durban Tower, Airjet 829 we have an emergency, number two engine is out...*

Tower: *Roger your emergency 829, what is your intention?*

Pilot: *829 will continue to land, please have the equipment ready*

Tower: *Roger on that 829...*

1. Why did the pilot of Airjet 829 declare an emergency? Now, think about your answer. (20')

Now, answer the question in as much detail as possible. (30')

2. Based on the conversation, would it be possible to execute a go-around? Now, think about your answer. (20')

Now, answer the question in as much detail as possible. (30')

Task 5. Creating a Story from Illustrations

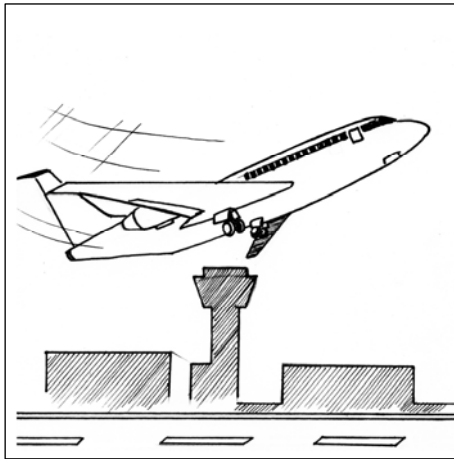
Directions: The illustrations below show a story. You will tell the story in your own words, based on the pictures. You have 20 seconds to prepare your story and 1 ½ minutes to tell the story.

Begin the story with:

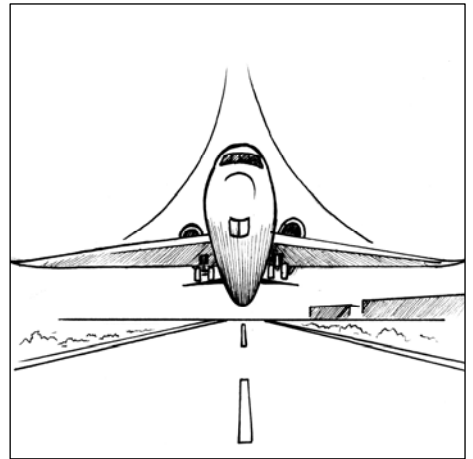
“Yesterday, an arriving aircraft suffered a landing gear malfunction.”

Now, study the pictures. (20’)

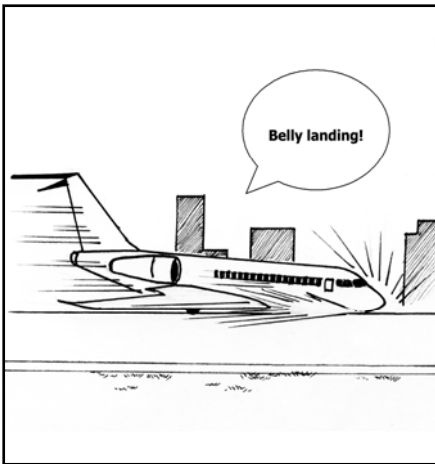
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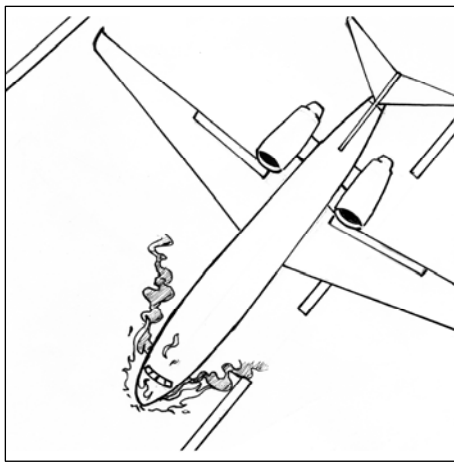
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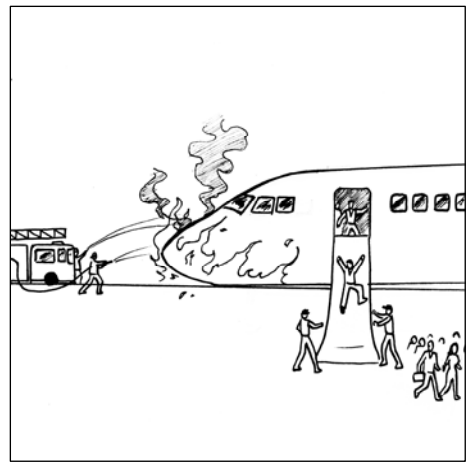
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Now, tell the story. (90’)

Task 6. Responding to a Communication Problem

Directions: Listen to the following situation. Afterward, you will need to respond to a communication, then rephrase and clarify your response. You have 15 seconds to respond to the first communication. In the second communication, you have 45 seconds to clarify your response. No time will be given to prepare your response. Now, listen.

Imagine that you are United 222, flying level at 30,000 feet, passing AB at time 10. You estimate to reach BC at time 25. You contact Rocktown Control to make a position report.

(Audio Only)

Control: United 222, Rocktown Control, go ahead with your report

Pilot: _____ (15')

Control: United 222, I didn't get your message, please repeat

Pilot: _____ (45')

Task 7. Responding to an Emergency

Directions : Listen to the following situation, then explain how you would resolve the situation. You will also need to provide a sample of your radio message. You will have 30 seconds to think for the first question, then you will have 60 seconds to answer each question. Now listen to the situation.

(Audio Only)

You are a passenger on a long, international flight. Midway through the flight, you are awakened by several loud sounds and notice that the airplane is experiencing moderate vibrations. There is no announcement from the captain but judging from your observations, the aircraft is experiencing loss of control. You have experienced this situation as a pilot before and were able to handle it successfully. Now, you sense that the situation is becoming worse.

1. Will you offer your help to the flight crew or just let them handle the problem? Why or why not? Now, think about your answer. (15')

Now, answer the question with as much detail as possible. (60')

2. In case you decided to help but the captain wanted to talk to you first through the intercom, provide a sample of your message to him. Now state your message. (60')

Task 8. Handling a System Malfunction

Directions: Listen to the following situation, and explain how you would resolve the situation. You have 30 seconds to prepare your answer, and 1 ½ minutes to respond. Now, listen.

(Audio Only)

You are the captain of a passenger jet which is now cruising at 39,000 feet. At your present speed, you still have 6 hours before your next stop. Moments later, an attendant calls you over the intercom, informing you that the passengers are feeling very uncomfortable because of the freezing temperature in the cabin. Checking the instruments, you find that the air conditioning system is not functioning. All other systems are normal however, including the pressurization system. You tried to reset and adjust the temperature control but the problem still continue.

If you were in this situation, would you proceed to your destination or do something else? Now, think about your answer. (30')

Now, answer the question with as much detail as possible. (90')

Task 9. Expressing an Opinion 1

Directions: Listen to the following question. You have 30 seconds to prepare your answer, and 1 ½ minutes to respond. Now, listen.

Aviation authorities approved airline safety programs by including Crew Resource Management (CRM) as one of the requirements for pilots to renew their licenses. At present, some airlines require their pilots to take CRM once every two years while other airlines give the training annually. Do you think CRM has improved airline safety?

Now, think about your answer. (30')

Now explain your opinion in as much detail as possible. (90')

Task 10. Expressing an Opinion 2

Directions: Listen to the following question. You have 30 seconds to prepare your answer, and 1 ½ minutes to respond. Now, listen.

While the aviation industry helps social and economic development around the world, many people believe that it is a source of pollution. In your opinion, do you think that aircraft are one of the major sources of pollution?

Now think about your answer. (30')

Now explain your opinion in as much detail as possible. (90')

PART 2. INTERVIEW

Task 1. Introduction and Casual Conversation

Interviewer: Good morning. My name is _____. I will be your interviewer today. What is your name?

Interviewer: It's nice to meet you _____. How are you today?

Interviewer: So, tell me a little about yourself, what do you do?

Task 2. Giving Information about Habitual Activities

Interviewer: Some passengers feel apprehensive at riding an airplane, especially the first-timers. As a cockpit crew, what do you usually do to remove their fear or uneasiness?

Task 3. Providing Job-Related Information

Interviewer: I've heard pilots talking about V_1 a lot of times; what's V_1 ?

Task 4. Providing a Solution to an Abnormal Situation

Interviewer: What would you do if during a flight, an attendant informs you that some very suspicious passengers are communicating through sign language?

Task 5. Sharing an Opinion

Interviewer: Is it proper to inform the passengers about problems that the airplane encounters during the flight? Why or why not?