

# **English Proficiency Test for Aviation**

**Set 8- Pilot**

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## PART 1. TAPE-MEDIATED

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### Task 1. Giving Personal Information

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

(Audio Only)

1. Please state your name and birth date. (20')
2. What challenges have confronted you as a pilot? (35')
3. What is the biggest fear you have when flying? (35')

## **Task 2. Read-back Radiotelephony Messages**

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

Now read Message A.

- a. Brenton Tower, Northstar 821, approaching holding point Runway 22L, ready for departure. (20')

Stop. Now read Message B.

- b. Avalon Approach, Pioneer 524, a Beech King Air, lost number 1 engine, request immediate return to Avalon. (25')

Stop. Now read Message C.

- c. Clemens Approach, GT 806, Airbus 330 at 8,000 ft, request PAR approach, position 15 miles northeast of the airport (25')

Stop. Now read Message D.

- d. Big-city tower, King-air 523, cancel distress, engine restarted successfully but some passengers got injured, request first aid and ambulance on arrival. (25')

Stop. Now read Message E.

- e. Straight ahead after departure left turn, cleared for take-off, Tom-air 554. (20')

### Task 3. Stating Own Idea about a Situation

**Directions:** Look at the picture below and provide the information below the picture. You will have 20 seconds to think about your answer, and 60 seconds to answer each question. Now look at the picture and think about your answer. (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, think about your answer. (60')

#### Task 4. Answering Questions about a Conversation

**Directions:** Listen to the following conversation between a pilot and an air traffic controller, and answer 2 questions following. You will have 20 seconds to think about your answer for each question and 30 seconds to answer each. You may take notes as you listen to the conversation. Now listen.

(Audio Only)

Pilot: Cleveland Ground, Thai 847 request taxi  
Control: 847, taxi via Lima to holding point runway 5R, wind 310 at 5 knots, QNH 1012 hPa  
Pilot: Via Lima to holding point runway 5R, QNH 1012 hpa, 847  
Control: Readback correct

(*Moments late*)

Control: 847, you've taken the wrong direction, turn right at Juliet, turn right at Romeo and taxi on Lima in the opposite direction  
Pilot: Sorry about that, OK, we're now turning right to Juliet then right again to Romeo then take Lima in the opposite direction, 847  
Control: 847, that's correct  
Pilot: Control, permission to cross runway 36, 847  
Control: 847, cleared to cross runway 36 and taxi all the way to holding point  
Pilot: Cleared to cross runway 36, 847

1. What error did the pilot of Thai 847 commit? Now, think about your answer. (20')

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

2. How was the problem corrected? Now, think about your answer. (20')

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

### Task 5. Creating a Story from Illustrations

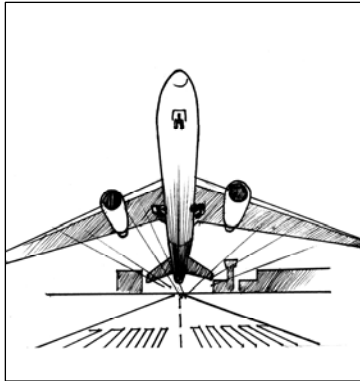
**Directions:** The illustrations presented below show a story. You will tell a story in your own words using the pictures below. You will have 20 seconds to think about the story and 1 ½ minutes to tell the story.

Begin the story with:

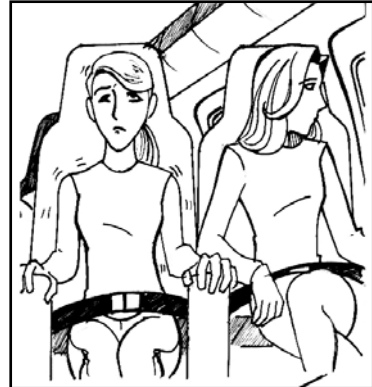
“Yesterday, Clarisse was on her first flight bound for Sydney.”

Now, study the pictures. (20’)

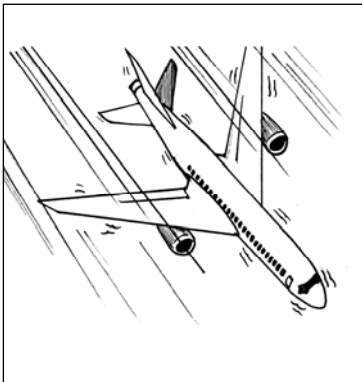
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Now, tell the story. (90’)

### 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 the pilot of Jetwind 404 and are now ready for takeoff at the runway threshold. While waiting for the clearance, you noticed a stray dog wandering along the runway. Then, the Control Tower calls you:

(Audio Only)

ATC: Jetwind 404, cleared for immediate takeoff

Pilot: \_\_\_\_\_ (15')

ATC: Jetwind 404, I didn't understand what you said; what's the problem?

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 the pilot of Pan Asia 556. You are nearing your destination airport and are now initiating contact with the Grande Approach Control. Before you can establish contact however, you are surprised to see smoke coming from the instrument panel. Suddenly the cockpit is filled with smoke, requiring you to wear your oxygen mask. You want to inform the controller about your situation but you need to wear your mask to breathe properly.

1. What would you do in this situation? Now, think about your answer. (30')

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

2. Now, provide a sample of your message to the controller. (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)

En route to your destination, one of your engines fail for an unknown reason. You declared an emergency and the air traffic controller directed you to the nearest suitable airport for landing. While on final towards the nearest airport, you were successful in restarting the dead engine.

Will you continue to land or resume your flight to your original destination? 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.

Despite the fact that many airlines are in need of pilots, only a few of the many pilots in the world are successful in becoming commercial pilots. In your opinion, why is it not easy to be qualified as an airline pilot?

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.

Most airlines have different sizes and types of aircraft in their fleet. Using different types of aircraft is expensive because it requires the services of pilots with different ratings and qualifications that would require different training. As a pilot, why do you think it is necessary for the company to maintain different types of aircraft?

Now, think about your answer. (30')

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

## **PART 2. INTERVIEW**

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### **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: Are pilots obliged to follow the air traffic controller's instruction all the time? Why?

### **Task 3. Providing Job-Related Information**

Interviewer: Why do you have to constantly make position reports while flying en route?

### **Task 4. Providing a Solution to an Abnormal Situation**

Interviewer: If you are the plane's captain, what would you do if your first officer refuses to accept your command?

### **Task 5. Sharing an Opinion**

Interviewer: Most people in the aviation industry believe that flying is the safest means of travel. Do you share the same belief? Why?