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Preface

The IELTS Test (International English Language Testing System) is administered in two forms, Academic and General. The test attempts to assess candidates' general English language knowledge in the four skills of Speaking, Listening, Reading and Writing. This book intends to provide an extensive and focused practice on the Listening Subtest of the IELTS Exam.

The book is prepared with two aims in mind. It can be used as a self-study material for those who have already taken an IELTS Preparatory Course and need more practice to improve their performance, and hence achieve a higher score in the Listening Module of the test. It, also, can serve the purpose of the more advanced level students needing fast familiarization with the listening subtest of the exam. Instead of buying and carrying many books, these candidates can use this book which focuses on one subskill (listening).

As all candidates take the same Listening Test, this book can be of an invaluable help to both Academic and General Training candidates.

Care has been taken to organize the tests in a progressive structure, which means that the difficulty level of the tests appearing first is somewhat lower than the ones which come later in the book.

In the end, I have to reiterate the fact that no permission has been sought from the esteemed authors of the tests.

Introduction

In their career, perhaps any ambitious teacher has been tempted to write a book to help their students perform better in their field of study, but not everyone can write and prepare a listening test, especially one for such a sophisticated test as the IELTS. Therefore, as a practicing teacher of the English language who has been teaching IELTS Preparatory Courses for a few years, I decided to gather the listening sections of the IELTS practice tests available hoping to provide ample practice for both the General Training and the Academic Module candidates intending to improve their performance not only in the Listening Subtest of the exam, but also their listening skill in the English language.

This book consists of 95 listening practice tests the sources of which have been mentioned at the bottom of each <u>odd-number page</u>. Moreover, clear and accessible keys are provided at the end of each set of tests, so you can easily check your answers as you work through the book. Also, a DVD containing all the recordings and their scripts comes with the book.

Mulu,

To students

The listening sub-test of the IELTS Test, taking approximately thirty minutes, contains 40 questions. There are four sections to this part of the exam. Each section, which becomes progressively more difficult, is heard only ONCE. During the test, both before and after each section, time is given for you to read the instructions and the questions and also to look back at the answers you have given. REMEMBER that at the end of the test, you are given 10 minutes to transfer your answers from the question booklet to the answer sheet provided.

To make the best of the practice tests contained in 95 IELTS Listening Practice Tests, you are suggested to provide at least 95 Xerox copies of the answer sheet which appears on page 543.

So that you may repeat the practice tests in this book, I would advise you to avoid marking the texts with a pen; instead, you can either use the answer sheet or a pencil, making it easier to erase and thus reuse the material.

In doing so and to get a better result from the reusing process, it is suggested that you leave a forget time for yourself before attempting to do the tests again, a period lasting for at least two months, for example.

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