#### THE REVIEW QUALITY POST

A NEWSLETTER FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN OUR CERTIFICATION EXAMS





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- En Review Quality somos responsables de distribuir y aplicar el portafolio de exámenes TOEIC.
- Nuestros instrumentos son los más utilizados en el mundo para evaluar el nivel de dominio de inglés internacional para el trabajo.
- Nuestra página tiene una gran cantidad de información y recursos para formadores, los invitamos a visitarnos:



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#### **NOTICIAS**

Como parte de la estrategia de mejora continua y en esta nueva etapa en la que ETS busca coherencia con su nuevo logo, The Source, el camino se dirige hacia el establecimiento de nuevos parámetros en los campos de la educación y el talento a nivel mundial.

En nuestro ejemplar anterior, prometimos seguir brindando noticias y actualizaciones al respecto, y tenemos el gusto de informar que Review Quality, como Distribuidor Máster Nacional de TOEIC, ha estado participando en paneles de expertos en la enseñanza y estandarización del inglés como lengua extranjera y segunda lengua a nivel mundial. Hemos convivido con colegas de América, Europa, África y Asia, compartiendo nuestro saber y expertise docente. ¡Las noticias seguirán llegando con grandes novedades!



## Nuestra Comunidad Our Community

## TODOS PODEMOS TENER UN ESPACIO DE EXPRESIÓN EN ESTA COMUNIDAD Y EN ESTE NEWSLETTER

Hace pocos días tuve la oportunidad de platicar con una docente de esas que, solo con verlas, sabes que tiene un gran rapport con sus alumnos. La estaba invitando a que participara con una reflexión en nuestro Newsletter y de plano me dijo que no. Al preguntarle el motivo de esta negativa, me comentó que ella había leído otras participaciones y que no sentía que pudiera compartir algo similar.

Es correcto, cada uno de los que hemos participado aquí y todos los que podemos participar somos distintos, únicos e irrepetibles. ¡Ese es el motivo de esta sección! La experiencia de cada uno dentro de nuestro campo de acción es valiosísima y juntos podemos aprender de los miembros que han viajado, los que trabajan en empresas, los que se desempeñan en escuelas, los que han aprendido sobre la marcha y los que tienen un conocimiento didáctico que nos puede ayudar a todos a estructurar mejor nuestro quehacer docente.

Si quieres aportar a esta sección, escribe al 2228620557, o a <u>mestherpavon@toeic.mx</u>. ¡Queremos leerte!



#### THE TOEIC TESTS

- Communicative approach
- Listening and Reading, Speaking, Writing, 4 skills
- Focused on the workplace

Taking the TOEIC (Test of English for International Communication) offers several advantages, especially for those looking to enhance their career prospects and demonstrate their English proficiency. Here are some key benefits:

- Career Advancement: TOEIC scores can make you a more attractive candidate for employers.
- Global communication: Show your ability.
- Educational Opportunities: Prove your level of English proficiency to Educational institutions all around the globe.
- Objective Measurement: The TOEIC Tests provide a standardized measure of your English skills.
- Versatility: The TOEIC is recognized in over 160 countries.



## READING PRACTICE FOR THE SPEAKING TEST BY MARÍA FSTHER PAVÓN SOLANA

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Practica Practice

A proficient reader employs various strategies and techniques to enhance comprehension and efficiency. Here are some different ways a proficient reader might apply their skills when preparing for the Speaking Test. As a matter of fact, this is useful advice for every TOEIC Test taker and will make the difference score wise in all the sections of the test.

Skimming: Quickly going through the text to get the main idea or gist. This is useful for getting an overview of the content without focusing on details. Directing one's attention and identifying aspects such as the type of text, the way it's organized, its gist and purpose at a glance are key to making efficient time management.

Scanning: Looking for specific information or keywords within a text. This technique is often used when searching for particular facts or answers. Understanding the prompts and identifying the key points is fundamental in the Speaking and Writing Modules. On the other hand, there will be questions in the perceptive sections that will require this skill.

Intensive Reading: Reading carefully and thoroughly to understand detailed information. This is common when studying complex materials or analyzing literature. Practicing this skill will help test takers acquire more vocabulary, better accuracy and understanding, and will also help organize ideas more clearly.

Extensive Reading: Reading large amounts of material for general understanding and enjoyment. This helps improve overall language proficiency and fluency.

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Critical Reading: Evaluating and analyzing the text to understand deeper meanings, arguments, and biases. This involves questioning the content and considering different perspectives. This way, test takers will find it easier to elaborate arguments and respond more elaborate questions.



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Predictive Reading: Making predictions about the content based on headings, subheadings, and prior knowledge. This helps set a purpose for reading and engages the reader with the material.

Interactive Reading: Engaging with the text by making notes, highlighting important points, and asking questions. This active involvement aids in better retention and understanding. Although this cannot be done in the Listening and Reading Test and in the productive skills tests time management is crucial, training in this type of reading will make it possible to be faster and more accurate in responding.

Reading Aloud: Vocalizing the text to improve pronunciation, fluency, and comprehension. This is particularly useful for language learners and will be an essential part of the TOEIC Reading test. Recording ourselves is great way to monitor our progress. Additionally, AI can produce models for students to repeat, thus imitating correct pronunciation and intonation. Speed Reading: Increasing reading speed while maintaining comprehension. Techniques like chunking (reading groups of words together) and minimizing subvocalization (silent speech) will come in handy, especially because they reduce distraction and promote concentration. Reflective Reading: Pausing to think about and reflect on the content. This helps in connecting new information with existing knowledge and forming deeper insights. Again, test takers cannot use this skill during the test itself, but its

practice leads to great results.

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#### **ENGLISH: WHAT YOU MAY NOT KNOW YET**

#### **BY JAVIER LICEA**

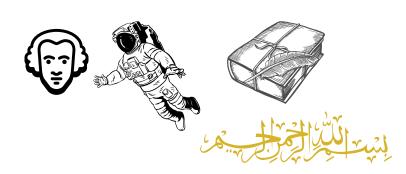
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## ENGLISH IS NOT SPOKEN BY EVERYONE EVERYWHERE AT ANY TIME

English, while widely spoken and often used as a global lingua franca, is not the dominant language in several academic disciplines. This phenomenon occurs due to historical, cultural, and regional factors that shape the evolution and dominance of languages in specific fields.

One of the most notable examples is the field of philosophy. In many European countries, especially Germany and France, philosophy has been historically dominated by the native languages. German philosophers like Immanuel Kant, Friedrich Nietzsche, and Martin Heidegger wrote their most influential works in German, contributing to a rich philosophical tradition that continues to influence academic discourse. Similarly, French philosophers such as René Descartes, Michel Foucault, and Jean-Paul Sartre have left a lasting impact on philosophy through their works written in French. The use of native languages in philosophy allows for a deeper engagement with the cultural and linguistic nuances that are often integral to philosophical inquiry.

Another discipline where English is not the main language is literature, particularly in non-English-speaking regions. Literary works are often deeply rooted in the cultural and linguistic context of their origins. For instance, Russian literature, with figures like Leo Tolstoy and Fyodor Dostoevsky, remains a cornerstone of literary studies, and their works are studied and appreciated in their original Russian.



Similarly, Spanish literature, with icons such as Miguel de Cervantes and Gabriel García Márquez, is central to the study of world literature. These literary traditions are preserved and explored in their native languages, as translation can sometimes dilute the original meaning, tone, and cultural context.

In the realm of science and technology, English is indeed dominant today, but this was not always the case. For example, Russian was a key language in disciplines such as mathematics and space science during the Soviet era. Russian remains important in certain areas of science and technology within Russian-speaking countries and regions influenced by Soviet education.

Furthermore, in fields like Islamic studies, Arabic is often the primary language. The Quran and other foundational texts of Islam are in Arabic, and scholars in this discipline usually need to have a strong command of Arabic to engage deeply with the primary sources.

In conclusion, while English is pervasive in many academic disciplines, particularly in the sciences and global communications, there are significant fields where other languages prevail. These disciplines are often tied to cultural, historical, and linguistic contexts where the native language provides a richer, more nuanced understanding of the subject matter. This linguistic diversity within academia reflects the broader diversity of human thought and cultural expression.

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