

Listening practice for TOEFL Conversation

Test 9

Conversation

Narrator

Listen to a conversation between a student and a university service representative.

Student: Hi, I want to get a pass for the Intramural Activities Center this quarter, please.

Rep: Sure. In need to see your student ID card, please. OK, thank you. Now, which type of IMA pass would you like to buy?

S: Um, I don't know. How many different kinds of passes are there?

R: Well, there's a basic pass. That allows you to use the basketball courts, the fitness center, the racquetball courts, the rock-climbing center, and the indoor track. An IMA super pass lets you use all those things, and also the swimming pools, tennis courts, and golf driving range. Then we have, um, specialized passes for just the swimming pools and the fitness center.

S: Man, I didn't know this was going to be so complicated. Um, so the basic pass includes basketball, the fitness center, racquetball, and, uh, what else?

R: The rock-climbing center and the indoor track. It costs \$50 for the quarter.

S: And the Super Pass has all those things, plus swimming, tennis, and the golf driving range, right?

R: Yes, that's correct. The super pass is \$75 for the quarter. It also permits you use the IMA Center during the two-week Christmas vacation, if you're going to be here.

S: So, the basic pass is \$50 for the quarter, and the super pass is, uh, 75, but the super pass it gives you two extra weeks. And um, you mentioned there were also special passes?

R: Yes, we have a swim-only pass for \$35. This lets you use either one of our two swimming pools, plus the sauna and whirlpools in the locker room. There's also a pass for the fitness center only. It costs \$40, and gives you access to all the weight machines and fitness machines, as well as the locker-room sauna and whirlpools.

S: All right, let's see if I've got this straight. The swim pass is \$35, and the fitness center pass is \$40. And both of these include access to the whirlpools and saunas in the locker room?

R: Correct. Oh, and one other thing I forgot to mention is that the fitness pass includes a 15-percent discount on all of our IMA sports and fitness classes.

S: What kinds of sports and fitness classes do you have?

R: Oh, my! We have several different kinds of dance classes, yoga, aerobics, swim conditioning, Tae Kwon Do....here's a brochure with all the details.

S: Thanks. So, these classes, there's an extra fee for them, even if I have a super pass?

R: I'm afraid so, because we have to pay the teachers' salaries and the cost of equipment.

S: OK. Uh, mmm...oh yeah, what about someone who isn't a university student? Is there some kind of pass that they could buy?

R: No, I'm afraid not. IMA passes are only offered to registered students and faculty. Guests have to be accompanied by a student or faculty member. They pay \$10 each time they come.

S: Can students pay the same way, I mean, each time they come?

R: Yes, but if you're going to come very often it's better to buy a pass. The student price is \$5 per visit. If you use the IMA even once a week, you'll save money buying a pass.

S: Well, thanks for all the information. There are so many choices, I can't make a decision right now. I'll think about it, then come back later in the week.

R: No problem. We're open Monday through Thursday from 8 to 12, then 1 to 4:30, and from 1 to 5:30 on Friday. If you have any more questions, you can call the phone number on the brochure.

Questions

Narrator:

Now answer the following questions. You may use your notes to help you.

1). What does the student want to do?

- A. take a class
- B. buy a pass
- C. pay tuition
- D. play sports

2). How many types of IMA passes are available?

- A. two
- B. three
- C. four
- D. five

3). What does the student imply when he says this: Man, I didn't know this was going to be so complicated.

- A. He expected that the transaction wouldn't take very long.

- B. He didn't think that there was only one kind of IMA pass.
- C. He cannot understand the information he has just received.
- D. He does not have enough money with him to buy a pass.

4). Which sports are included in the super pass that are not included in the basic pass?

- A. rock climbing and track
- B. swimming, tennis, and golf
- C. sauna and whirlpools
- D. basketball, racquetball, and track

5). What is the price of a fitness center pass?

- A. \$35
- B. \$40
- C. \$50
- D. \$75

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