

# Questions 1&2 (Read the text aloud)

**Instructions:** In this part of the test, you will read aloud the text below.

**Preparation:** 45 seconds

**Response duration:** 45 seconds

## Study predicts future of asteroid mining

A new study suggests that minerals and other valuable resources mined from planets, the moon and asteroids could boost prospects for future spaceports in outer space, and even space-based economies. The potential to harvest water and other natural resources may someday make space a sustainable place to work and live, said the study, released by the International Academy of Astronautics, a France-based organization with space experts from around the world.

Source: <http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-space-mining-20150718-story.html>

## Question 3 (Describe the picture)

**Instructions:** In this part of the test, you will describe the picture below in as much detail as you can.

**Preparation:** 30 seconds

**Response duration:** 45 seconds



## Questions 4-6 (Respond to questions)

**Instructions:** In this part of the test, you will answer three questions. For each question, begin responding immediately after you hear the question. No preparation time is provided.

**Preparation:** none

**Response duration:** Questions 4 and 5, 15 seconds each; Question 6, 30 seconds

*Your friend would like to ask for advice regarding his wedding. Help him by answering his questions.*

Question 4: Why should a wedding be special?

Question 5: Who should be invited to a couple's wedding? Why?

Question 6: Where should the wedding be held?

## **Questions 7-9 (Respond to questions using the provided information)**

**Instructions:** In this part of the test, you will answer three questions based on the provided information. For each question, begin responding immediately after you hear the asked question. No additional preparation time is given.

**Preparation:** 30 seconds to read the information before the questions begin

**Response duration:** Questions 7 and 8, 15 seconds each; Question 9, 30 seconds

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Question 7: Are there discounts for organic vegetables? How much?

Question 8: Where is Dino's located and how can I reach the store for further inquiries?

Question 9: How can we avail the freebies?

## Question 10 (Propose a solution)

**Instructions:** In this part of the test, you will be presented with a problem and asked to propose a solution.

**Preparation:** 30 seconds

**Response duration:** 60 seconds

**Important:** In your response, be sure to:

- show that you recognize the problem, and
- propose a way of dealing with the problem

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## **Question 11 (Express an opinion)**

**Instructions:** In this part of the test, you will give your opinion about a specific topic. Be sure to say as much as you can in the allowed time.

**Preparation:** 15 seconds

**Response duration:** 60 seconds

Why do people often say that time is gold? Give 3 reasons. Please elaborate your answer.