

COURT INTERPRETER WRITTEN EXAMINATION

Overview





THE WRITTEN EXAM



- Structure
 - 135 questions
 - Multiple choice
 - 2 Hours 15 Minutes
- Content
 - Reading and responding to questions in English
 - No translation or interpreting
- -80% to pass (108/135)



WHAT'S ON THE TEST

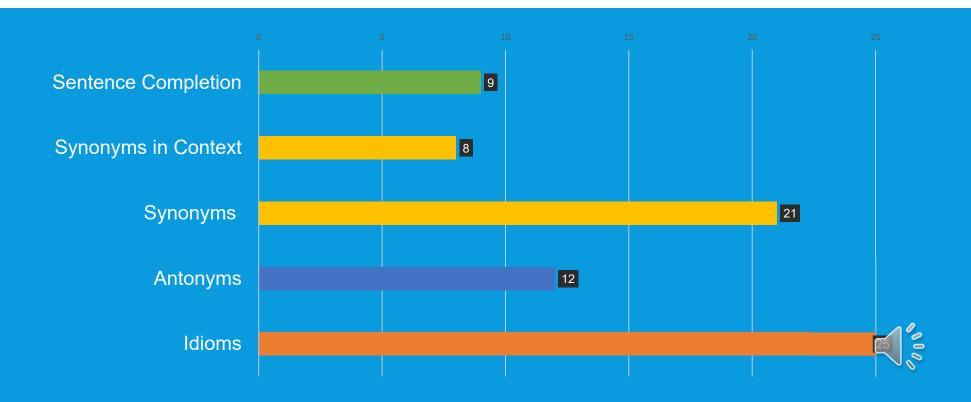


- Basic English Vocabulary
- Words you hear in court
- Steps in the court process
- Interpreter ethics

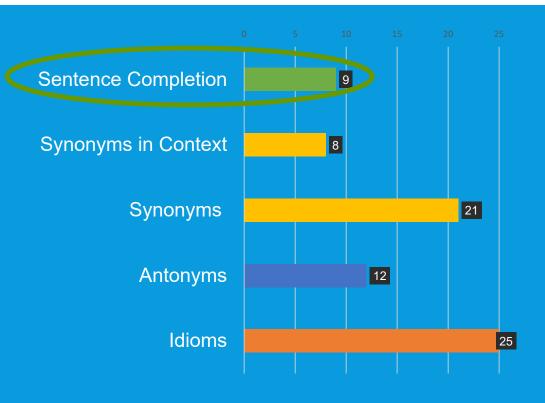


Part I: General Language Proficiency









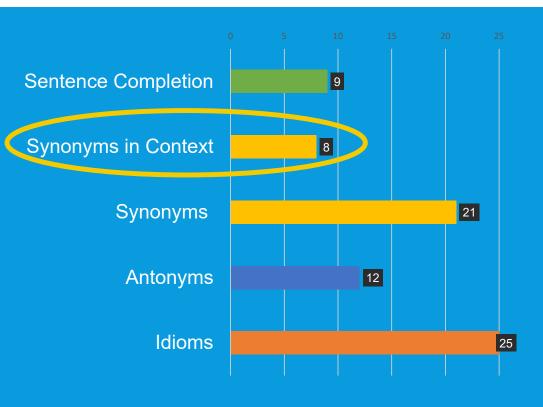
Sentence Completion

If a person is terrified of spiders, then they are

- A. calm
- B. fascinated
- C. afraid
- D. excited







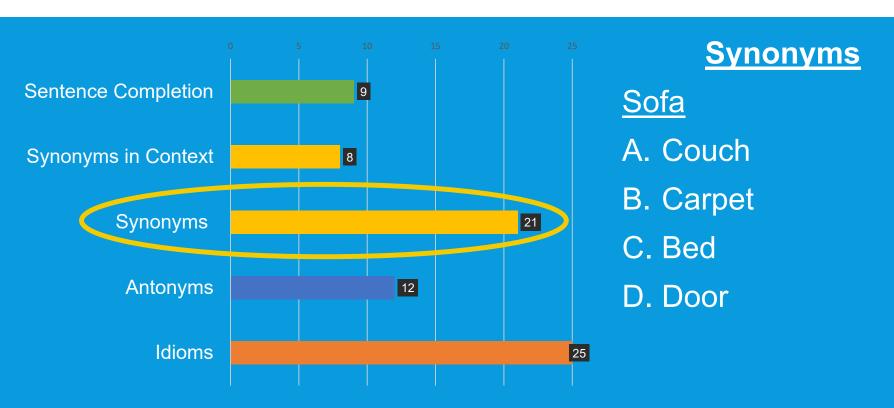
Synonyms in Context

The family is planning a vacation this summer.

- A. Wedding
- B. Trip
- C. Picnic
- D. Party

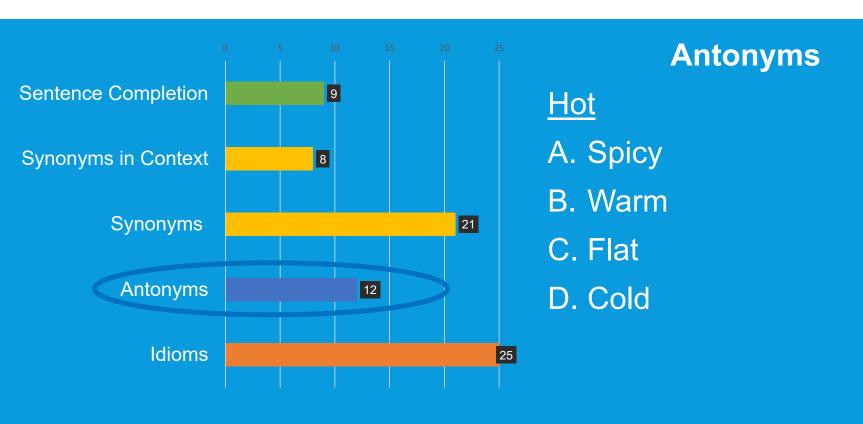






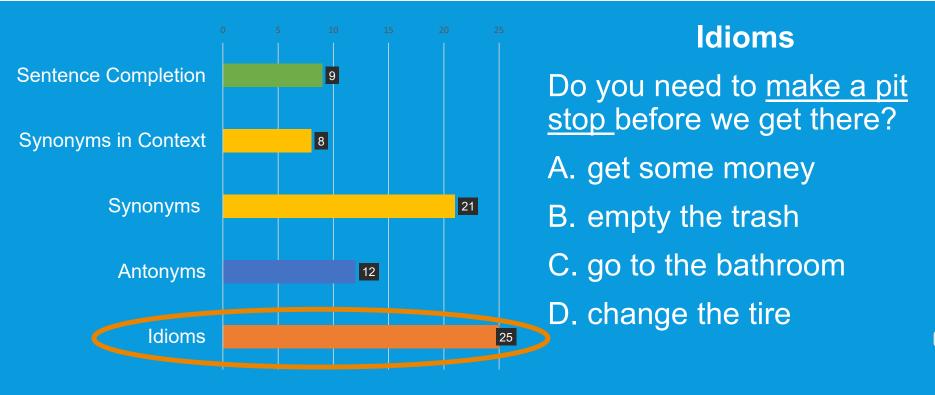














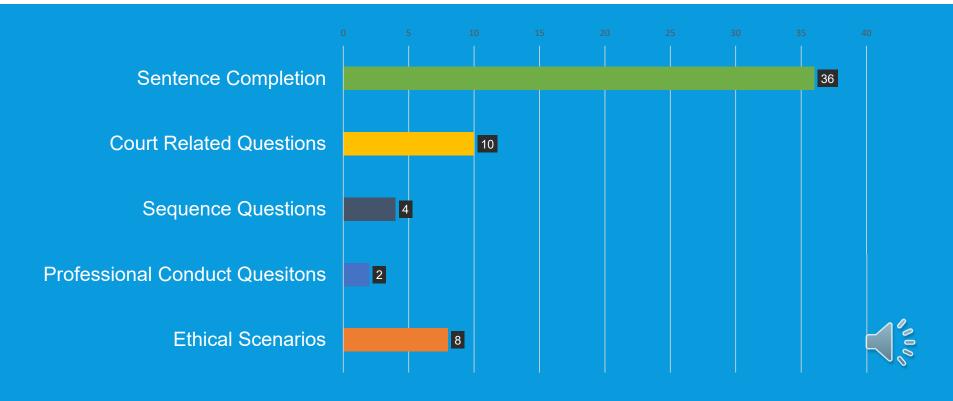
PART I – GENERAL LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY



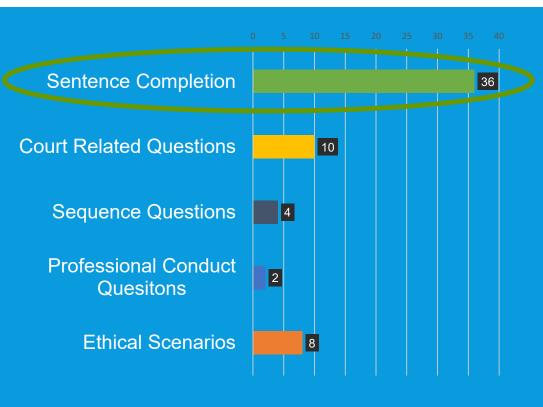
Pick the answer that:

- Means the same (54 Questions)
- Is the best way to complete the sentence (9 Questions)
- Means the opposite (12 Questions)









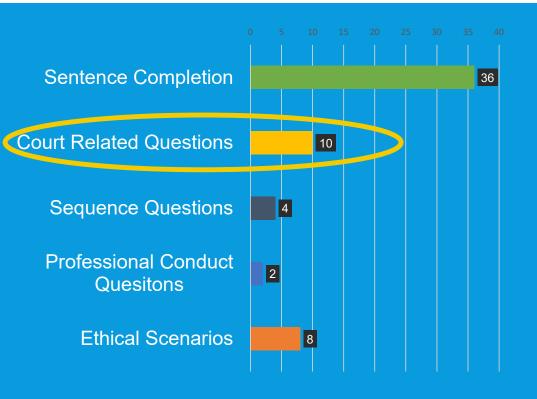
Sentence Completion

A jury should be made of up the defendant's

- A. family
- B. friends
- C. co-workers
- D. peers







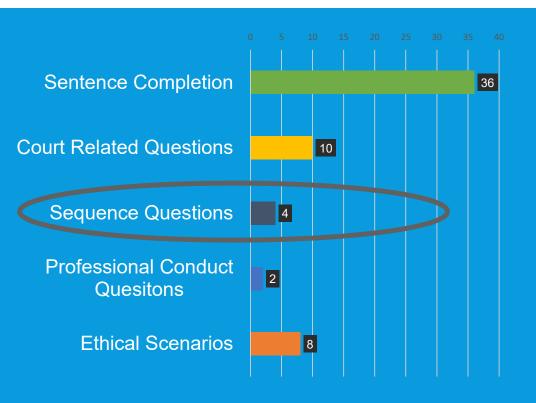
Court related questions

Which of the following is a crime?

- A. sleeping on the job
- B. walking in the rain
- C. calling in sick
- D. robbing a bank





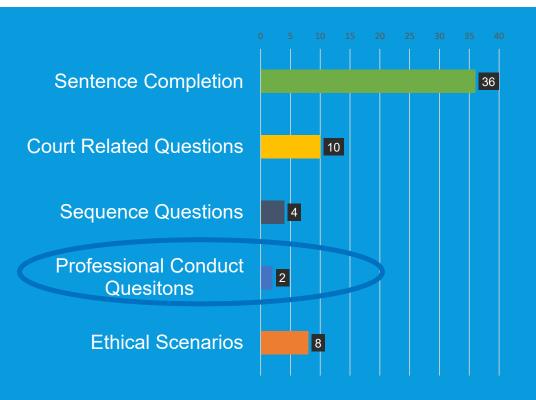


Sequence Questions

Which of the following is the correct order of events?

- A. opening arguments, witness testimony, picking the jury, jury instructions
- B. picking the jury, opening arguments, jury instructions, witness testimony
- C. picking the jury, jury instructions, opening arguments, witness testimony
- D. jury instructions, picking the jury, witness testimony, opening arguments



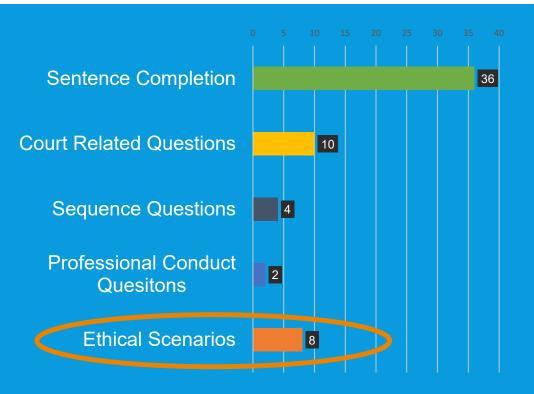


Professional Conduct Questions

If you don't understand one of the words that the person you are interpreting for said, you should

- A. wait for the person to finish speaking and ask them to repeat the word
- B. skip the word entirely
- C. take a guess
- D. Interrupt the speaker right away and ask them to repeat the word





Ethical Scenarios

You are in court and the person you are interpreting for asks you if they should plead guilty, what should you do?

- A. Tell them what you think they should do
- B. Interpret the question out loud so that people in the courtroom can hear it
- C. Offer to get their attorney and interpret for them
- D. Refer them to legal aid



Pick the answer that:

- Is the best way to complete the sentence (36 Questions)
- Lists the right order of events (5 Questions)
- Is the best answer to the question (12 Questions)
- Is the best way to solve the problem (8 Questions)





QUESTIONS?

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