



How Do I Answer 'True / False / Not Given' Questions?

Aim: This section will help you to answer True/False/Not Given questions better in the reading test by giving you some useful strategies.

Problems:

1. Many candidates answer T/F/NG questions according to what they think is correct, not what is stated in the passage.
2. A lot of students spend too long looking for answers that are not given.

NOTES:

'True/False/Not Given' questions are also known as 'True/False/No Information' and 'Yes/No/No Information'.

This section will look at exactly what you are being asked to do with True/False/Not Given questions. It will look at each part of the question in turn and then give some examples:

'True'

For a statement to be true, the passage must clearly support the information stated in that statement.

Example:

Statement: The Red-Eyed Jungle Moth mates between the months of March and June.

Passage: Mating occurs in the second quarter of the year for the Red-Eyed Jungle Moth.

This is '**False**'

For a statement to be false, the passage must clearly state that the information in the passage is not true.

Example:

Statement: The Red-Eyed Jungle Moth mates between the months of March and June.

Passage: For the Red-Eyed Jungle Moth, mating only happens in the second half of the year.

'Not Given'

For a statement to be not given, there must be no information in the passage relating to the information in the statement.



Example:

Statement: The Red-Eyed Jungle Moth mates between the months of March and June.

Passage: Moths in the lower tributary areas normally breed in the spring months*.

*This extract from the passage does not clearly state anything relating to the Red-Eyed Jungle Moth or the specific period mentioned in the statement.

Tips:

1. Only use the information in the passage to lead you to the correct answer; do not bring your own understanding or your opinion into the decision on what the answer should be.
2. If you can't find the answer within 2 minutes, then automatically circle NG because the information is probably not there, so don't waste time looking for it.

There is no Answer Key for this worksheet

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