

TOEIC – Most Common Word Forms (2) Answers

These are some of the most commonly used words that appear on the test:

1. **difference** **differentiate** **different** **differently**

(basic meaning: talking about and knowing how things are not the same)

Recently, I can't tell the difference between our products and our competition's! We need a different product to differentiate ourselves from them! We need to begin running this company very differently if we are to survive!

2. **understandably** **understanding** **understand** **understandable**

(know the meaning of something or some situation / know how things work)

No one can understand how the company lost all of its money. The stockholders are understandably angry and it is understandable why they are demanding answers. They are tired of just hearing the management say, "Sorry, and thank you for your understanding!"

3. **increased** **increasing** **increasingly** **increase**

(to go up or become more)

The number of typhoons seem to be increasing every year. In the last 40 years, typhoons hitting Tokyo have increased by 50%. Climate change is being blamed for this increase in typhoons and is creating the increasingly common "Super Typhoons".

4. **masterfully** **masterful** **mastery** **master**

(control a situation using confidence and skill // have great knowledge about something)

The young classical cellist put on a masterful performance in her debut concert. She showed off her mastery of the cello by masterfully performing Beethoven's *Cello Sonata No.3*. I wonder how long it took her to master the cello like that.

5. **justify** **justification** **justifiably** **justifiable**

(showing that something is reasonable // explain the reason for doing something)

The board members want the management to justify spending millions of dollars on travel and entertainment! There is absolutely no justification for this, and must be explained! And the members are justifiably angry. \$100,000 for a business trip is not justifiable!