CELPIP Listening Practice Test 102

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Part 1: Listening to Problem Solving

An Expired Card at the Clinic

▶ **Recording: Part 1, section 1 of 3. Play it at celpass.com/celpip/listening/practice-tests/102**

1. What part of his body has the man hurt?

A



B



C



D



2. Why didn't the man know about the problem with his card?

A He had lost the card months ago.

B His reminder likely went to an old address.

C He believed the card would renew automatically.

D The clinic had never asked him to show it before.

3. What does the woman say about the $85?

A It is the usual price of renewing a health card.

B It is charged to every patient on a first visit.

C It covers the cost of the X-ray he will need.

D He can get it back later under one condition.

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4. Why does the man come back to the desk?

A He is worried that he has been overlooked.
B He wants to ask whether he can have an X-ray.
C He needs directions to the hospital.
D He has to leave because of an urgent call.

5. What does the man wrongly assume?

A that the doctor has already gone home
B that he must carry the pictures to the doctor himself
C that he must travel some distance for the scan
D that the X-ray will cost him extra

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6. What did the doctor find?

A The bone in his wrist was broken in two places.
B It was less serious than he feared.
C He would need a second X-ray before leaving.
D His scraped knee needed treatment as well.

7. How can the man get his money back?

A by returning to the front desk in person
B by showing the receipt at the pharmacy downstairs
C by asking his boss
D by emailing proof after renewing

8. What will the man probably do next?

A drive to the pharmacy close to his home
B phone his sister to come and get him
C go back to work for the afternoon
D buy a support for his wrist downstairs

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Part 2: Listening to a Daily Life Conversation

A New Way to Work

▶ **Recording: Part 2. Play it at celpass.com/celpip/listening/practice-tests/102**

9. What is one reason the man stopped driving to work?

A His car needed costly repairs over the summer.
B Someone else in his household needs the car.
C His office moved closer to a train station.
D He was tired of listening to the radio while driving.

10. What does the man like most about the train?

A The train is never busy at that hour of the day.
B It gets him to work faster than driving did.
C He no longer has to take the bus at all.
D He can make good use of the travel time.

11. How does the man's trip now compare with driving?

A It takes a little more time overall.
B It takes about twice as long as before.
C It takes twenty minutes more.
D It takes almost exactly the same time.

12. Why is the woman surprised about the bike?

A She did not know he owned a folding bike.
B She thinks lockers are too small.
C She assumes he'll cycle in midwinter.
D She believes the distance is too great.

13. What does the man suggest to the woman?

A Allow time to get used to it.
B Take the train only on Fridays.
C Buy a monthly pass right away.
D Ride to the first station.

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Part 3: Listening for Information

Calling a Marina

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14. Why is the man calling?

A to sell his boat
B to book a repair for a cracked engine
C to ask about good fishing spots on the lake
D to find somewhere to keep his boat

15. Why does the man mention what he paid for the motor?

A to show the motor is worth protecting indoors
B to explain why he bought the boat in June
C to hint that indoors seems too pricey
D to ask for a discount on the pickup

16. What comes with the outdoor storage price?

A preparing the motor for the cold
B transport from the man's home
C a spot in the heated building
D a protective cover for the boat

17. According to the woman, what is the main danger in winter?

A heavy snow piling up on the boat's cover
B frozen water damaging the engine
C thieves getting into the yard
D fuel leaking from the tank

18. What is likely true about the pickup deadline?

A It applies only to boats stored indoors.
B It can be moved for a small fee.
C It depends on how far away he lives.
D It is sooner than the man thought.

19. Why does the man decide not to prepare the motor himself?

A He'd be responsible if it failed.
B His neighbour refused to show him how.
C It is included in the outdoor price.
D The marina does not allow it.

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Part 4: Listening to a News Item

A Corkboard Full of Coffee

▶ **Recording: Part 4. Play it at celpass.com/celpip/listening/practice-tests/102**

20. How does the coffee board work?

A People prepay drinks for strangers.
B Staff give away coffee that is left over.
C Businesses post notices offering jobs.
D Regulars collect points toward free coffee.

21. How did Halvorsen feel when the board first went up?

A proud
B impatient
C uneasy
D relieved

22. What does Halvorsen hope to do in the future?

A offer a warm meal as well as drinks
B open a second café in town
C ask businesses to pay for more drinks
D deliver bread to struggling families

23. Where did the idea for the board come from?

A a café she once visited in another city
B a relative's kindness in the past
C a request from local businesses
D a suggestion from a regular

24. What can we tell about the board so far?

A Too many people take more than one note.
B It has gone better than feared.
C It is mostly used by local business owners.
D It is rarely used.

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Part 5: Listening to a Discussion

Planning a Fun Run

▶ **Recording: Part 5. Play it at celpass.com/celpip/listening/practice-tests/102**

25. What is Stuart's main reason for wanting a downtown route?

A Runners would enjoy seeing all the shops open.
B The streets are wider than the path.
C Families could watch their children.
D Onlookers might be persuaded to donate.

26. Why does Deepa mention last year's run?

A to point out that fewer families came this year
B to doubt that participants want spectators
C to argue that last year's route was too long
D to complain about strollers

27. What was Stuart mistaken about?

A how long the run will be
B who ordered the T-shirts
C when the event will be held
D where the festival took place

28. According to Vivian, why is a downtown route not realistic this year?

A It's too late to get approval.
B The city has banned races on Main Street.
C Shop owners object to closing the street.
D Traffic officers are unavailable on Sundays.

29. What is Stuart's concern about the river path?

A It is too short for a proper five-kilometre race.
B It would be too dark early in the morning.
C The bridge is closed to people on foot.
D It would be crowded with other users.

30. What does Deepa think of the school track?

A It has too few washrooms for a crowd.
B It would be easy for parents to run on.
C It would suit children better than adults.
D It would be the safest choice for every runner.

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31. What can we tell about Vivian?

A She wants to delay the run until next year.

B She values convenience over fun.

C She has organized many races in the past.

D She thinks the river path is too dangerous.

32. What is the best subject line for Deepa's email to her cousin?

A River path: a morning without bikes?

B Applying to close Main Street in October

C Booking the high school track

D Volunteers needed at the bridge

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Part 6: Listening to Viewpoints

Age Checks Online

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33. The report is mainly about

A the harm caused by late-night phone use among teens.
B a call to make platforms screen out young users.
C how families can set rules for screen time.
D the privacy risks of facial scanning.

34. Why does Mercer mention seatbelts?

A to compare online harm with road accidents
B to argue that parents should enforce rules strictly
C to suggest that companies should face penalties
D to defend a rule that only partly works

35. Daniel Okoro would most likely agree that

A age checks should rely on face-scanning software.
B parents should decide which apps are suitable.
C some teens would lose a lifeline.
D platforms can be trusted with identity documents.

36. According to Mercer, parents struggle to control their children's use of social media because

A they face far better-equipped opponents.
B children hide upsetting posts from their parents.
C they rarely set rules at home.
D children learn to lie about their age.

37. The speaker suggests that Okoro's privacy argument

A is the strongest point in the whole debate.
B matters mainly for younger children.
C has merit but is somewhat overstated.
D has been ignored by the companies.

38. The speaker's attitude toward requiring age checks is best described as

A qualified support.
B reluctant opposition.
C mild indifference.
D wholehearted enthusiasm.

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Answer sheet

Write the letter of your answer for each question.

1 _____	2 _____	3 _____	4 _____
5 _____	6 _____	7 _____	8 _____
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Answer key

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1 B Picture B

2 B His reminder likely went to an old address.

3 D He can get it back later under one condition.

4 A He is worried that he has been overlooked.

5 C that he must travel some distance for the scan

6 B It was less serious than he feared.

7 D by emailing proof after renewing

8 D buy a support for his wrist downstairs

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9 B Someone else in his household needs the car.

10 D He can make good use of the travel time.

11 A It takes a little more time overall.

12 C She assumes he'll cycle in midwinter.

13 A Allow time to get used to it.

Part 3: Calling a Marina

14 D to find somewhere to keep his boat

15 C to hint that indoors seems too pricey

16 D a protective cover for the boat

17 B frozen water damaging the engine

18 D It is sooner than the man thought.

19 A He'd be responsible if it failed.

Part 4: A Corkboard Full of Coffee

20 A People prepay drinks for strangers.

21 C uneasy

22 A offer a warm meal as well as drinks

23 B a relative's kindness in the past

24 B It has gone better than feared.

Part 5: Planning a Fun Run

25 D Onlookers might be persuaded to donate.

26 B to doubt that participants want spectators

27 C when the event will be held

28 A It's too late to get approval.

29 D It would be crowded with other users.

30 C It would suit children better than adults.

31 B She values convenience over fun.

32 A River path: a morning without bikes?

Part 6: Age Checks Online

33 B a call to make platforms screen out young users.

34 D to defend a rule that only partly works

35 C some teens would lose a lifeline.

36 A they face far better-equipped opponents.

37 C has merit but is somewhat overstated.

38 A qualified support.

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Your estimated CLB

Correct answers (of 38)	Estimated level
38	CLB 12
37	CLB 11
35–36	CLB 10
33–34	CLB 9
30–32	CLB 8
27–29	CLB 7
22–26	CLB 6
17–21	CLB 5
11–16	CLB 4

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Transcripts

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Part 1: An Expired Card at the Clinic

Section 1

WOMAN: Good morning. Are you checking in?

MAN: Yes, hi. I slipped on the back steps at work this morning and put my hand out to catch myself. Now my wrist is pretty swollen.

WOMAN: Anything else hurt? You didn't hit your head?

MAN: No, no. I thought I'd twisted my ankle at first, but that's fine. My knee's a bit scraped, and I banged my elbow, but that's nothing. It's really the wrist. I can't even turn a doorknob.

WOMAN: Okay. Can I see your health card, please?

MAN: Sure, here you go.

WOMAN: Hmm. It looks like this expired at the end of last month.

MAN: Expired? Are you sure? I— oh, wait. I moved in August. I bet the reminder went to my old apartment.

WOMAN: That happens a lot, actually. So, the doctor can still see you today, but with an expired card our clinic asks for a deposit of $85. If you bring in your renewed card within sixty days, you get the whole amount back.

MAN: Eighty-five dollars… Well, I'm not going home with my wrist like this. Fine.

WOMAN: Okay. Have a seat, and we'll call you. It's about a forty-minute wait.

Section 2

MAN: Excuse me, sorry to bother you again. It's been almost an hour. Have I been forgotten?

WOMAN: Not at all. The doctor had an urgent case, so everyone's been pushed back. Actually, she had a quick look at your form, and she'd like you to get an X-ray before she sees you.

MAN: An X-ray? So I have to go across town to the hospital now?

WOMAN: No, no, the imaging office is right upstairs, on the third floor. Just take this slip with you.

MAN: Oh, good. And after that I come back down here?

WOMAN: Yes. They'll send the pictures straight to the doctor, so you don't have to carry anything.

Section 3

WOMAN: So, how did it go in there?

MAN: Better than I was expecting. It's not broken, just a bad sprain. She said to keep it raised and wear a brace for a couple of weeks.

WOMAN: Oh, good news. Here's your receipt for the $85. Keep it for the refund.

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MAN: Right. Do I really have to come all the way back here with the new card? I work in the north end, so it's a bit of a trek.

WOMAN: No, you can just email us a photo of the new card with the receipt number.

MAN: Oh, that's much easier. Now, the doctor mentioned a brace. Do I need a prescription for that?

WOMAN: No, you can buy one at any drugstore. There's a pharmacy on the ground floor of this building, beside the coffee shop.

MAN: I was going to stop at the one near my place, but honestly, I shouldn't be driving with this hand. My sister's picking me up at noon, and my boss already told me to take the rest of the day off.

WOMAN: Well, it's only eleven, so you've got some time.

MAN: True. Beside the coffee shop, you said? Thanks for all your help.

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Part 2: A New Way to Work

WOMAN: Morning! You're in early. I didn't see your car in the lot.

MAN: That's because it's sitting in my driveway. I've been taking the train for two weeks now. My wife started a new job and she needs the car on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and with what parking costs here, I figured I'd give it a shot.

WOMAN: Wow. I didn't think you'd last two days. You're always saying you can't stand crowds.

MAN: I know, but it's not what I expected. I get on at the first station on the line, so I always get a seat. I read, I answer a few emails, and by the time I walk in here I've already got half an hour of work done. On the highway I was just gripping the wheel and listening to traffic reports.

WOMAN: Okay, but isn't it way slower? It must take you, what, twice as long?

MAN: That's what everyone assumes. Door to door, it's only about ten minutes longer. The train itself is fast. The annoying part is the bus from the station to here. If I miss the seven-forty connection, I'm standing at the stop for twenty minutes.

WOMAN: Couldn't you just walk it? It's not that far.

MAN: Now, sure. But in January, with that wind? I'm not so sure. I was thinking of keeping a folding bike in my locker—

WOMAN: A bike? In January?

MAN: No, no, not in winter! For now, while the weather holds. In winter I'll just put up with the bus.

WOMAN: Fair enough. And the money? Is it really cheaper?

MAN: With a monthly pass, I'm paying about a third of what I was spending on parking and gas. Even my wife's impressed, and she's usually the one who watches every dollar.

WOMAN: You know, I live near Westgate station. Maybe I should try it on Fridays, when I don't have to pick up the kids.

MAN: Try a whole week, not just one day. The first few days, you're so worried about missing your train that you don't relax at all. It took me a while to stop checking the time every two minutes.

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Part 3: Calling a Marina

WOMAN: Good afternoon, Birch Point Marina.

MAN: Hi there. I'm hoping you've still got room for the winter. I have a small aluminum fishing boat, about fourteen feet, with an outboard motor. I bought it from a neighbour in June, and to be honest, I've never owned a boat before, so I have no idea what I'm supposed to do with it once the lake freezes.

WOMAN: You're not alone, believe me. We do have space, but it's filling up. There are two options. Indoor storage is in our heated building, and outdoor storage is in the fenced yard behind the office. For a boat your size, indoor is $45 a foot for the season, and outdoor is about half that.

MAN: Forty-five a foot… so that's over six hundred dollars? Hmm. That's more than I paid for the motor. Is outdoors safe, though? I've heard about boats getting damaged by heavy snow.

WOMAN: It's safe if it's covered properly. We shrink-wrap every boat in the yard, and that's included in the outdoor price, by the way, so the snow just slides off. Honestly, the bigger worry is the motor. If any water is left inside and it freezes, the engine can crack. So whichever option you choose, we'd recommend our winterizing service. We drain everything, change the oil and treat the fuel.

MAN: Can I do that part myself? My neighbour says it's not that hard.

WOMAN: Some people do. But if you do it yourself, we ask you to sign a form saying the motor was prepared before it came in. So if there's a problem in the spring, it's on you, not us.

MAN: Ah, I see. And how does the boat get to you? I've got a trailer, but my car doesn't have a hitch—

WOMAN: That's no problem. We can pick it up from your dock or your driveway for a flat $60, anywhere within twenty kilometres.

MAN: Oh, that'd be great. I'm out on Cedar Road, so that's maybe eight kilometres.

WOMAN: Then you're well within range. Our last pickup day is the fifteenth, though. After that, the yard's closed for the season.

MAN: The fifteenth of November?

WOMAN: Of this month, actually. October. A lot of people get caught out by that.

MAN: Oh! That's only a week away. Okay, I'd better decide now, then. Let's go with outside. And you know what, I'll have you look after the motor as well. If something goes wrong with it, I'd rather not have to explain to my wife that I tried to save a few dollars.

WOMAN: Smart choice. Can I get your name and a phone number?

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Part 4: A Corkboard Full of Coffee

NARRATOR: A small café in Swift Current, Saskatchewan, has found a simple way to look after neighbours who are short of cash. Since early September, customers at the Prairie Kettle have been able to pay for an extra coffee when they buy their own. Instead of pouring the drink, staff write it on a sticky note and pin it to a corkboard beside the door. Anyone who needs something hot can take a note to the counter, with no questions asked. Owner Denise Halvorsen says the idea came from her grandmother, who used to leave fresh bread on the step of any family going through a hard winter. Halvorsen expected problems at first. "I was nervous that people would take advantage, or that the board would just sit there empty," she said. Neither has happened. More than four hundred coffees have been paid for so far, and on most mornings the board is completely covered. Regulars say the notes have become a friendly conversation starter, and many now include short, encouraging messages. Several local businesses have started covering a dozen drinks at a time. Halvorsen now hopes to add bowls of homemade soup once the colder weather arrives. Her only request is that people take a single note per visit, so the generosity can stretch further.

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Part 5: Planning a Fun Run

Vivian: Okay, so the date's set and the T-shirts are ordered. The one thing we still haven't figured out is where people are actually going to run.

Stuart: I still say downtown. Picture it: runners going right down Main Street, shops open, people cheering from the sidewalks. Every person standing there is somebody who might pull out a wallet. Isn't that the whole point of a charity run?

Deepa: Is it, though? Last year it was mostly families. Half of them were pushing strollers or walking with kids who gave up after two kilometres. I'm not sure an audience is what they're there for.

Stuart: Sure, but the families come no matter what. The downtown crowd is the extra money.

Vivian: Except closing streets isn't simple. When I helped with the street festival last spring, the city wanted a permit, paid traffic officers at every big intersection, and the application in at least two months ahead. We've got seven weeks.

Stuart: Seven? I thought the run was in December—

Vivian: It's the last Sunday in October, Stuart. We moved it so it wouldn't clash with the hockey tournament, remember?

Stuart: Oh. Right. Well, that changes things.

Deepa: What about the river path? It's paved, it's flat, and it's beautiful that time of year with the leaves turning. From the bridge to the boathouse and back is about two and a half kilometres, so two laps.

Stuart: Two laps is fine. But that path's narrow. You've already got cyclists, dog walkers, people with strollers. Put a hundred runners on it and somebody ends up in the river.

Deepa: Well, not literally in the river.

Stuart: You know what I mean.

Vivian: There's always the track behind the high school. No permits, the washrooms are right there, and we'd only need one water table.

Stuart: Twelve and a half laps of a track? People would be bored out of their minds. And who's going to count all those laps?

Vivian: I didn't say it was exciting. I said it was easy.

Deepa: Actually, the little ones would probably love the track. They could stop whenever they like, and their parents could see them the whole time. But the adults who've been training for this… yeah, they'd hate it.

Stuart: Okay, here's a thought. What if we used the river path but started early, around eight, before the dog walkers are out? And we put a couple of volunteers at the narrow bit by the bridge.

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Vivian: That could work, if the parks people let us put up signs and keep the bikes off for a couple of hours. I honestly don't know if they ever do that.

Deepa: My cousin works in that office. I could ask her what's possible, although she's not exactly fast at answering emails.

Stuart: Ask anyway. If they say no, we're back to counting laps.

Vivian: Or back to Main Street next year, with a proper head start.

Part 6: Age Checks Online

NARRATOR: Ask almost any parent whether children belong on social media, and you are likely to get a weary sigh. Most platforms already set a minimum age, but checking it usually amounts to little more than a box asking users to confirm their birthday, a hurdle any ten-year-old can clear in seconds. A growing chorus now wants companies to be legally required to verify how old their users really are. It sounds like common sense. Whether it would work as intended is another matter.

NARRATOR: Clinical psychologist Hannah Mercer, who has counselled teenagers in Winnipeg for twenty years, is among the idea's firmest supporters. In her experience, the trouble rarely begins with a single upsetting post. It builds slowly, through hours of comparison and late-night scrolling that young children are poorly equipped to handle. Parents, she argues, are fighting an uneven battle against products shaped by armies of designers whose job is to hold attention, and it is unreasonable to expect a household rule to compete. Mercer does not pretend verification would be watertight; determined teenagers will always find a way around it. But a rule that keeps most eleven-year-olds out, she reasons, is still far better than one that keeps out nobody. Seatbelts, after all, do not prevent every injury.

NARRATOR: Technology lawyer Daniel Okoro shares her worry but doubts the remedy. To check ages reliably, he points out, companies would need far more than a birthday: a scan of an identity document, perhaps, or software that estimates age from a photo of the user's face. Either way, millions of adults would be handing sensitive information to the very firms that critics already distrust. Okoro also thinks of teenagers who find support online that they cannot find at home, and who might be shut out, or pushed toward less supervised corners of the internet. Rather than guarding the front door, he would prefer tougher limits on what platforms may put in front of younger users once they are inside.

NARRATOR: Both arguments carry weight, and the disagreement is less about goals than about trade-offs. Mercer's case is most persuasive for younger children, for whom the benefits of these platforms are slim. Okoro's warning about privacy deserves a hearing, though many of these companies already gather far more personal information than an age check would require. A sensible path may borrow from both: genuine verification for the youngest users, and safer design for everyone else. What seems clear is that the honour system has had its chance.

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