

CELPIP Listening Practice Test 27

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3. Check your answers with the answer key, then read the transcript for every question you missed.

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Part 1: Listening to Problem Solving

Gym Membership Registration Inquiry

► Recording: Part 1, section 1 of 3. Play it at celpass.com/celpip/listening/practice-tests/27

1. Why does the man want to know about shorter membership terms?
 - A He is uncertain about the gym's quality
 - B He may move away for work
 - C He cannot afford a long-term membership
 - D He wants to try different gyms
2. What incentive does the woman offer for signing up immediately?
 - A A 20% discount on monthly fees
 - B Free personal training sessions
 - C No registration fee
 - D Extra months free

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3. What is currently happening at the gym?
 - A Equipment upgrades
 - B Pool renovations
 - C Locker room repairs
 - D Classroom expansions
4. What surprises the man during the conversation?
 - A The pool closure duration
 - B The cost of swimming classes
 - C The premium membership price
 - D The swimming classes are not included in membership
5. What does the woman do when the man shows interest in aqua-fitness?
 - A Offers a discount
 - B Suggests a different package
 - C Checks the computer system
 - D Schedules a class

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6. What is included in the trial period?
- A** Full facility access and two swim classes
 - B** Basic membership features only
 - C** Unlimited swimming classes
 - D** Personal training sessions
7. What is required for membership registration?
- A** Only a credit card
 - B** ID, credit card, and medical certificate
 - C** ID, credit card, and health questionnaire
 - D** Student ID and health questionnaire
8. What is the final decision made by the man?
- A** To sign up for a full membership
 - B** To take the trial with student discount
 - C** To think about it more
 - D** To only take swimming classes

Part 2: Listening to a Daily Life Conversation

Planning a Surprise Birthday Party

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9. What is the main purpose of the conversation?
- A Planning a wedding reception
 - B Organizing a birthday celebration
 - C Arranging a community event
 - D Discussing party arrangements
10. Where will the event take place?
- A At a restaurant
 - B In a public facility
 - C At someone's home
 - D In a private hall
11. What decision was made about the food?
- A Hiring professional services
 - B Ordering from a restaurant
 - C Combining self-prepared dishes with contributions
 - D Having a buffet service
12. How will music be provided at the event?
- A Through a DJ service
 - B By recorded music
 - C With live entertainment
 - D By guest performances
13. What is the main reason for choosing certain options over others?
- A Time constraints
 - B Space limitations
 - C Cost considerations
 - D Guest preferences

Part 3: Listening for Information

Botanical garden guided tour and plant conservation policy updates

► Recording: Part 3. Play it at celpass.com/celpip/listening/practice-tests/27

14. What is the main reason the woman is interested in the tours?
- A She wants to learn about medicinal plants.
 - B She is interested in conservation efforts.
 - C She needs access to the plant database.
 - D She wants to join the weekend tours.
15. What recent change has been made to the tours?
- A They added new conservation information.
 - B They reduced the tour duration.
 - C They increased the group size.
 - D They changed the starting times.
16. Why are tour groups currently limited to six people?
- A To maintain social distancing.
 - B Due to new garden policies.
 - C Because of guide availability.
 - D To protect rare plants.
17. What is included in the tour price?
- A A plant identification guide only
 - B Access to conservation programs
 - C A guidebook and database access
 - D Special access to the seed bank
18. What happens if someone cancels less than 24 hours before the tour?
- A They lose their payment completely.
 - B They receive a partial refund.
 - C They can reschedule for free.
 - D They get a garden credit.
19. Which tour schedule does the woman prefer?
- A Weekend mornings
 - B Weekday afternoons
 - C Weekday mornings
 - D Saturday evenings

Part 4: Listening to a News Item

Historic Carousel Restored

► Recording: Part 4. Play it at celpass.com/celpip/listening/practice-tests/27

20. The carousel in Maplewood was closed for
- A three years.
 - B nearly twenty years.
 - C a century.
 - D five years.
21. The carousel stopped operating in 2005 because
- A the park was being renovated.
 - B it was moved to a new location.
 - C it had mechanical problems.
 - D there was a lack of public interest.
22. As a result of the restoration project, the carousel
- A was moved to a museum.
 - B became a tourist attraction.
 - C was completely redesigned.
 - D reopened to the public.
23. According to Eleanor Thompson, the main purpose of the restoration was to
- A maintain the town's history for future generations.
 - B increase tourism in Maplewood.
 - C create jobs for local craftspeople.
 - D make children happy again.
24. Lily Chen felt
- A disappointed by the carousel.
 - B scared of the moving horses.
 - C impressed by the carousel's appearance and movement.
 - D curious about how the carousel works.

Part 5: Listening to a Discussion

City Council Meeting

► Recording: Part 5. Play it at celpass.com/celpip/listening/practice-tests/27

25. What is the main purpose of the discussion?
- A To review a transportation proposal
 - B To discuss environmental concerns
 - C To analyze business revenue
 - D To plan town hall meetings
26. What unexpected development has occurred with the project?
- A Construction timeline extension
 - B Budget increase
 - C Design modification
 - D Environmental impact
27. What potential benefit is mentioned regarding environmental impact?
- A Improved air quality
 - B Reduced noise levels
 - C Decreased traffic volume
 - D Enhanced green spaces
28. What concern is raised about local establishments?
- A Permanent closure
 - B Temporary income loss
 - C Parking restrictions
 - D Property damage
29. What positive economic outcome is predicted?
- A Increased tourism
 - B Higher tax revenue
 - C Enhanced real estate values
 - D Better business profits
30. What additional expense is mentioned regarding neighborhood concerns?
- A Sound protection
 - B Traffic management
 - C Safety measures
 - D Road repairs

31. What is the next step in the project?

- A** Beginning construction
- B** Seeking community feedback
- C** Hiring contractors
- D** Finalizing designs

32. What is the overall attitude toward the project?

- A** Completely opposed
- B** Cautiously optimistic
- C** Entirely supportive
- D** Strongly negative

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Part 6: Listening to Viewpoints

Remote Work Sustainability

► Recording: Part 6. Play it at celpass.com/celpip/listening/practice-tests/27

33. According to Michael Thompson, what percentage of employees want to continue working remotely?

- A 13%
- B 22%
- C 40%
- D 67%

34. Why are businesses in Toronto and Vancouver benefiting from remote work?

- A They can hire more productive employees.
- B They are reducing their office space expenses.
- C They can expand internationally more easily.
- D They have better environmental policies.

35. How do Michael and Dr. Sharma's views differ regarding company culture?

- A Michael believes culture is unimportant while Dr. Sharma sees it as essential.
- B Michael focuses on productivity benefits while Dr. Sharma worries about disconnection.
- C Michael thinks hybrid models damage culture while Dr. Sharma supports them.
- D Michael believes culture improves remotely while Dr. Sharma thinks it's unchanged.

36. What mental health concern does Dr. Sharma highlight about remote workers?

- A Increased feelings of isolation
- B Higher stress from longer working hours
- C Difficulty building relationships
- D Problems with work-life boundaries

37. Based on the discussion, what is the most likely future of remote work in Canada?

- A A complete return to traditional office settings
- B Fully remote work becoming the standard approach
- C Hybrid arrangements balancing remote and in-office work
- D Different approaches depending on the province

38. According to Dr. Sharma, what should companies focus on during in-office days?

- A Administrative tasks and meetings
- B Individual productivity and focus work
- C Collaboration, team building, and mentorship
- D Training on remote work technologies

Answer sheet

Write the letter of your answer for each question.

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Answer key

Part 1: Gym Membership Registration Inquiry

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| 1 B He may move away for work | 2 C No registration fee | 3 B Pool renovations | 4 D The swimming classes are not included in membership |
| 5 C Checks the computer system | 6 A Full facility access and two swim classes | 7 C ID, credit card, and health questionnaire | 8 B To take the trial with student discount |

Part 2: Planning a Surprise Birthday Party

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| 9 B Organizing a birthday celebration | 10 B In a public facility | 11 C Combining self-prepared dishes with contributions | 12 B By recorded music |
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- 13 C Cost considerations

Part 3: Botanical garden guided tour and plant conservation policy updates

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| 14 B She is interested in conservation efforts. | 15 A They added new conservation information. | 16 B Due to new garden policies. | 17 C A guidebook and database access |
| 18 D They get a garden credit. | 19 C Weekday mornings | | |

Part 4: Historic Carousel Restored

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| 20 B nearly twenty years. | 21 C it had mechanical problems. | 22 D reopened to the public. | 23 A maintain the town's history for future generations. |
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- 24 C impressed by the carousel's appearance and movement.

Part 5: City Council Meeting

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| 25 A To review a transportation proposal | 26 B Budget increase | 27 C Decreased traffic volume | 28 B Temporary income loss |
| 29 C Enhanced real estate values | 30 A Sound protection | 31 B Seeking community feedback | 32 B Cautiously optimistic |

Part 6: Remote Work Sustainability

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| 33 D 67% | 34 B They are reducing their office space expenses. | 35 B Michael focuses on productivity benefits while Dr. Sharma worries about disconnection. | 36 A Increased feelings of isolation |
| 37 C Hybrid arrangements balancing remote and in- | 38 C Collaboration, team building, and mentorship | | |

Your estimated CLB

Correct answers (of 38)	Estimated level
37–38	CLB 12
34–36	CLB 11
32–33	CLB 10
29–31	CLB 9
26–28	CLB 8
23–25	CLB 7
19–22	CLB 6
16–18	CLB 5
12–15	CLB 4

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Transcripts

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Part 1: Gym Membership Registration Inquiry

Section 1

MAN: Hi there, I'm interested in getting a gym membership. Could you tell me about your different plans?

WOMAN: Of course! We have several options. Our basic plan gives you access to all equipment and facilities, while our premium plan includes group fitness classes and personal training sessions.

MAN: That sounds interesting. What's the price difference between the two?

WOMAN: The basic plan is \$45 per month with a 12-month commitment, and the premium is \$75. Both plans include locker room access and free parking.

MAN: I see. And what about a shorter commitment? I might be relocating in six months for work.

WOMAN: We do offer month-to-month plans, but they're about 20% more expensive. However, if you sign up today, I can waive the registration fee.

MAN: That's good to know. Could I get a tour of the facilities before deciding?

WOMAN: Absolutely! I'd be happy to show you around right now if you have time.

Section 2

MAN: The facilities look great! I noticed the pool area is under renovation. When will that be completed?

WOMAN: The pool should reopen in about two weeks. We're installing new heating systems and updating the changing rooms.

MAN: Perfect timing then. I'm particularly interested in the swimming classes you mentioned. How does that work with the premium membership?

WOMAN: Swimming classes are actually separate from the premium plan. They're \$15 per session, or you can buy a package of 10 classes for \$120.

MAN: Oh, I thought they were included. That changes things a bit.

WOMAN: Well, we do have a special aqua-fitness package that combines gym membership with pool access and classes. Would you like to hear about that?

MAN: Yes, please. That might be more what I'm looking for.

WOMAN: Great! Let me pull up those details for you.

Section 3

MAN: I've been thinking about the aqua-fitness package. Can I start with a trial period?

WOMAN: Absolutely! We offer a two-week trial for \$30. It gives you full access to everything, including two complimentary swimming classes.

MAN: That sounds perfect. What documents do I need to sign up?

WOMAN: Just a valid ID and a credit card for the payment. We'll also need you to fill out a health questionnaire. It takes about 10 minutes.

MAN: Okay, I have my driver's license with me. Oh, and do you offer any student discounts?

WOMAN: Yes, we do! With a valid student ID, you get 15% off any membership plan, including the trial period.

MAN: Great! In that case, I'd like to sign up for the trial. I have my student ID right here.

WOMAN: Perfect! Let's get you started with the paperwork.

Part 2: Planning a Surprise Birthday Party

A: Hey, I'm glad you could meet up. We need to finalize the plans for the surprise party next weekend.

B: Absolutely. Have you booked the venue yet?

A: Yes, I've reserved the community center. It's perfect and within our budget.

B: Great. What about the guest list?

A: I've invited about 30 people. Most have confirmed they're coming.

B: Excellent. We should discuss the food. I was thinking of hiring a catering service.

A: That might be expensive. What if we prepare the food ourselves?

B: That's a good idea. We could make some simple dishes and ask guests to bring something too.

A: Perfect. Now, for entertainment, I thought we could hire a local band.

B: Sounds fun, but maybe we could just create a playlist instead? It would be cheaper.

A: You're right. We'll save money for decorations that way.

B: Speaking of which, I can handle the decorations. I'll get balloons, streamers, and a banner.

A: Fantastic. Don't forget we need to coordinate to get them there before the guest of honor arrives.

B: No problem. I'll make sure everything's set up in time. This party's going to be great!

Part 3: Botanical garden guided tour and plant conservation policy updates

WOMAN: Hi there! I noticed on your website that you offer guided tours of the botanical gardens. I'd love to learn more about that.

MAN: Welcome! Yes, we do offer guided tours. We've actually just updated our tour program to include more information about our plant conservation efforts.

WOMAN: That sounds fascinating. What kinds of tours do you have available?

MAN: We offer three different types. There's our general garden tour, which covers the main collections and takes about an hour. Then we have our specialty tours - one focusing on rare plants and another on medicinal plants. These are both ninety minutes long.

WOMAN: I'm particularly interested in conservation. Which tour would cover that topic the most?

MAN: The rare plants tour would be perfect for you. We discuss our conservation programs in detail, including our seed bank project and our work with endangered species. We've recently added a new section about our partnership with international conservation groups.

WOMAN: That's exactly what I'm looking for. How many people are usually in a tour group?

MAN: We keep our groups small - maximum of twelve people - to ensure everyone can hear and interact with the guide. Currently, we're running at half capacity due to our new policies, so just six people per tour.

WOMAN: Perfect. And what's the cost for the rare plants tour?

MAN: It's \$25 per person, which includes a detailed guidebook and access to our digital plant database for three months. We also offer a 20% discount for students and seniors.

WOMAN: I'd qualify for the senior discount. Do you need to see ID for that?

MAN: Yes, please bring it with you on the day of the tour. Now, I should mention that we've implemented some new policies. All visitors need to wear closed-toe shoes, and we ask that you don't touch the plants unless specifically invited by the guide.

WOMAN: That makes sense. What days do you run the rare plants tour?

MAN: We offer it on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at 10 AM. The Saturday tours tend to fill up quickly, so I'd recommend booking in advance if you prefer weekends.

WOMAN: I'd actually prefer a weekday. Could I book for next Thursday?

MAN: Let me check the availability... Yes, we have four spots open for next Thursday. Would you like to reserve one?

WOMAN: Yes, please. And could you tell me about your cancellation policy?

MAN: Of course. You can cancel up to 24 hours before the tour for a full refund. Any later than that, and we can only offer a garden credit valid for six months.

WOMAN: That's reasonable. I'll take that Thursday spot, please. Should I pay now or on the day?

MAN: We recommend paying now to secure your spot. Would you like to proceed with the booking?

Part 4: Historic Carousel Restored

A historic carousel that had been out of operation for nearly two decades was finally restored and reopened to the public last weekend in Maplewood. The century-old carousel, featuring 36 hand-carved wooden horses, had been a beloved attraction at Riverside Park since 1923 until mechanical issues forced its closure in 2005. The restoration project began three years ago when a group of local residents formed the Maplewood Heritage Society and raised funds to save the deteriorating landmark. Skilled craftspeople meticulously repaired the wooden figures, replaced the mechanical components, and restored the original organ music. "We wanted to preserve this piece of our town's history for future generations," said Eleanor Thompson, president of the Heritage Society. "Seeing children ride it again brings tears to my eyes." The restoration cost approximately \$380,000, with most funds coming from community donations and a provincial heritage grant. Eight-year-old Lily Chen, who was among the first riders at the reopening ceremony, exclaimed, "It's so beautiful and the horses go up and down!" The carousel will now operate seasonally from May through October at its original location in Riverside Park.

Part 5: City Council Meeting

A: Let's move on to the next item on our agenda: the proposed light rail system. We've received the feasibility study results. What are your thoughts?

B: I've reviewed the study, and I'm concerned about the cost. The initial estimate was \$500 million, but now it's ballooned to \$750 million. That's a significant increase.

C: While the cost is a concern, we need to consider the long-term benefits. The study shows that the light rail could reduce traffic congestion by 30% and cut carbon emissions by 25% within five years.

A: Those are compelling points. What about the impact on local businesses during construction?

B: That's another issue. The study estimates that businesses along the main corridor could see a 20% drop in revenue during the two-year construction period. We need to consider support measures for them.

C: Agreed, but let's not forget the potential for economic growth once the system is operational. The study projects a 15% increase in property values along the route and the creation of 2,000 new jobs.

A: We also need to address concerns about noise pollution and the visual impact on historic neighborhoods.

B: The study suggests noise barriers and redesigning some stations to blend with the local architecture. That could add another \$50 million to the cost.

C: It's a significant investment, but considering the environmental and economic benefits, I believe it's worth it. We should move forward with a public consultation phase.

A: Alright, let's put it to a vote at our next meeting. In the meantime, we'll arrange town halls to gather public input.

Part 6: Remote Work Sustainability

Welcome to today's panel on the future of remote work in Canada. I'm your host, Sarah Chen, and we're exploring whether the shift to remote work that began during the pandemic is sustainable long-term. With me are two experts with different perspectives on this important workplace trend. First, let's hear from Michael Thompson, an HR consultant from Vancouver. Michael, you believe remote work is here to stay? "Absolutely, Sarah. The data we've collected from over 200 Canadian companies shows that 67% of employees who worked remotely during the pandemic want to continue this arrangement at least part-time. Companies are seeing real benefits too. A study from the University of Toronto found that remote workers were 13% more productive on average. Plus, businesses in places like Toronto and Vancouver are saving millions in office space costs. My clients in Alberta have expanded their talent pools nationwide, hiring skilled workers from Nova Scotia to British Columbia without relocation costs. And let's not forget the environmental impact – with fewer commuters, we've seen a measurable reduction in carbon emissions across major Canadian cities." Thank you, Michael. Now, Dr. Priya Sharma, an organizational psychologist from Montreal, you have some concerns about remote work sustainability? "I do, Sarah. While remote work offers clear benefits, we're seeing troubling patterns emerge in our long-term studies. After 18 months of remote work, approximately 40% of employees report feeling disconnected from their company culture. New employees particularly struggle to build relationships and understand unwritten workplace norms. There's also the challenge of work-life boundaries – our research shows the average remote worker in Canada is working 45 minutes longer per day than before. Perhaps most concerning is the mental health impact. Statistics Canada data indicates a 22% increase in reported feelings of isolation among remote workers compared to their in-office counterparts." Interesting points from both of you. Some companies are finding a middle ground, aren't they? "Yes," Michael responds. "Many of my clients in places like Winnipeg and Halifax have adopted hybrid models – perhaps three days remote, two days in-office. This approach maintains flexibility while addressing some of Dr. Sharma's concerns about connection and culture." Dr. Sharma nods. "The hybrid model shows promise, especially when companies are intentional about how they use in-person time. The key is ensuring that office days focus on collaboration, team building, and mentorship – activities that benefit from face-to-face interaction." As we wrap up today's discussion, it seems clear that remote work is likely here to stay in some form, though perhaps not in the all-or-nothing approach we saw during the pandemic. The most sustainable path forward may involve thoughtful hybrid arrangements that balance the productivity and lifestyle benefits of remote work with the cultural and social advantages of in-person collaboration. Thank you both for sharing your insights.

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