

CELPIP Speaking Practice Test 14

A free full-length CELPIP-General Speaking practice test from CELPass.com: all 8 tasks in the real test order with the real timings, and an excellent sample answer for every task at the end.

Task	Topic	Timing
Task 1: Giving Advice	Where to Begin Learning French	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 90 seconds
Task 2: Talking about a Personal Experience	A Time When You Organized a Surprise	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 3: Describing a Scene	Skiers on a Sunny Mountain Slope	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 4: Making Predictions	Airport Terminal	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 5: Comparing and Persuading	University Campus Sustainability Initiative	Preparation: 60 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 6: Dealing with a Difficult Situation	Cancelled Gym Class	Preparation: 60 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 7: Expressing Opinions	Shopping Return Period Standardization	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 90 seconds
Task 8: Describing an Unusual Situation	A Virtual Reality Bus Stop	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds

How to take this test

1. Do the 8 tasks in order in one sitting (about 15–20 minutes).
2. For each task, read the prompt, set a timer for the preparation time, then record yourself on your phone for the speaking time. Stop when the time is up.
3. Listen back and compare with the sample answers at the end: did you answer the question, use the full time, give reasons and examples?

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Task 1: Giving Advice

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 90 seconds

Where to Begin Learning French

Your friend Ethan lives in Moncton, and many of the jobs he is interested in require both English and French. He wants to start learning French, but every time he opens a textbook, he feels overwhelmed by the grammar rules, and he is embarrassed about his pronunciation. Advise Ethan on how he can begin learning French.

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Task 2: Talking about a Personal Experience

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

A Time When You Organized a Surprise

Tell me about a time when you organized a surprise for someone. What was the surprise, and how did they react?

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Task 3: Describing a Scene

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Skiers on a Sunny Mountain Slope

Describe some things that are happening in the picture below as well as you can. The person with whom you are speaking cannot see the picture.



Task 4: Making Predictions

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Airport Terminal

In this picture, what do you think will most probably happen next?



Task 5: Comparing and Persuading

Preparation: 60 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

University Campus Sustainability Initiative

Your university is launching a sustainability initiative. Two proposals have been submitted, and you need to choose one that best contributes to a greener campus.

Option 1: Installing Solar Panels on Campus Buildings

- Reduces energy costs and lowers carbon emissions
- Provides a long-term sustainable energy source
- Estimated cost: \$100,000 for installation
- Expected completion time: 6 months

Option 2: Implementing a Campus-Wide Recycling Program

- Promotes recycling and waste reduction among students and staff
- Increases environmental awareness and sustainability practices
- Estimated cost: \$40,000 for implementation
- Expected completion time: 3 months

Your University Administration's Choice: Upgrading Campus Landscaping

- Focuses on planting trees and creating green spaces
- Enhances the aesthetic and environmental quality of the campus
- Estimated cost: \$30,000 for upgrade
- Expected completion time: 4 months

Task 6: Dealing with a Difficult Situation

Preparation: 60 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Cancelled Gym Class

You've been looking forward to a fitness class, but you've just been informed that it has been canceled at the last minute due to an instructor's emergency.

Choose ONE: EITHER Talk to the gym staff and ask if there is an alternative class or a refund option available. **OR** Talk to a friend and explain why you think the gym should have notified members sooner about the cancellation.

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Task 7: Expressing Opinions

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 90 seconds

Shopping Return Period Standardization

Do you think stores should standardize the return period for items? Why or why not?

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Task 8: Describing an Unusual Situation

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

A Virtual Reality Bus Stop

You're waiting for a bus when you step into a bus stop that uses virtual reality to show you different places while you wait. Describe this bus stop to your friend and explain why it's unique.

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Sample answers

One strong answer for each task. Use them for ideas, structure and vocabulary, not to memorise: examiners notice memorised answers.

Task 1: Where to Begin Learning French

Excellent sample answer (written at around CLB 11–12, an estimate, not an official score)

Ethan, honestly, you've picked the perfect place to learn. In Moncton, you can hear French at the grocery store, on the radio, everywhere, which is a huge advantage.

My main advice is to stop starting with grammar. Grammar matters, but if you try to learn every rule before you can say anything, of course you'll feel overwhelmed. Start with phrases you'd actually use, like ordering at Tim Hortons or chatting about the weather, and pick up the rules as you go.

Consistency matters more than long study sessions, so aim for fifteen or twenty minutes a day, maybe a podcast on your drive to work.

As for pronunciation, I know it feels embarrassing, but people here really appreciate any effort. A good trick is to listen to a short sentence, repeat it out loud, and record yourself.

After a couple of months, look for a conversation group or a language exchange. You help someone with English, and they help you with French.

You'll be surprised how fast it comes once you start speaking.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-1-giving-advice/samples/learning-a-new-language

Task 2: A Time When You Organized a Surprise

Excellent sample answer (written at around CLB 11–12, an estimate, not an official score)

I once planned a surprise proposal for my best friend's engagement. I coordinated with her partner and organized a small gathering at a scenic spot. When she walked in and saw everyone, her face lit up with joy. It was an emotional moment for all of us, and her partner popped the question right there. It was a beautiful moment, and I felt proud to have played a part in such an important event in her life.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-2-personal-experience/samples/a-time-when-you-organized-a-surprise

Task 3: Skiers on a Sunny Mountain Slope

Excellent sample answer (written at around CLB 11–12, an estimate, not an official score)

This is a ski resort on a beautiful, sunny day, and the snow looks fresh and sparkling. In the foreground, two skiers in matching red jackets and black pants are gliding down the slope with their backs to us, poles in hand. The one on the left is noticeably smaller, so it could be a child out with a parent. Off to the left, there's a cluster of brown wooden chalets, each with a thick blanket of snow on the roof. Over on the right, a chairlift runs up the hill, and you can see a tall metal tower with a chair hanging from the cable. A handful of other skiers are dotted across the slope, and the snow is covered in curving ski tracks. Tall evergreens frame both edges of the picture, and in the background, a range of snow-capped mountains stretches under a clear blue sky with just a few wisps of cloud.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-3-describing-a-scene/samples/a-ski-resort

Task 4: Airport Terminal

Excellent sample answer (written at around CLB 11–12, an estimate, not an official score)

Looking at this bustling airport terminal, I predict that as the family enjoys watching the planes on the tarmac, they might soon be called to board their flight. The people walking through the terminal will likely continue heading toward their gates as they prepare for their respective flights. The flight information screens will continue to update with departure times, guiding passengers to the right gates. The staff walking around will likely assist more travelers, and as the terminal fills with more passengers, the atmosphere will remain busy yet organized. As the family finishes their time at the window, they may begin gathering their things, ready to board as their flight time approaches.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-4-making-predictions/samples/airport-terminal

Task 5: University Campus Sustainability Initiative

Excellent sample answer (written at around CLB 11–12, an estimate, not an official score)

While both the implementation of a campus-wide recycling program and the upgrading of campus landscaping offer notable environmental benefits, I am convinced that installing solar panels is the optimal choice for our sustainability initiative. Solar panels provide a durable, renewable source of energy that directly reduces our carbon footprint and operational costs. This forward-thinking solution aligns with our long-term environmental goals and serves as a practical demonstration of sustainable innovation on campus.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-5-comparing-and-persuading/samples/university-campus-sustainability-initiative

Task 6: Cancelled Gym Class

Excellent sample answer (written at around CLB 11–12, an estimate, not an official score)

I was really looking forward to today's class, so I'm quite disappointed that it was canceled at the last minute due to the instructor's emergency. I'll approach the gym staff to see if they have an alternative class I can join or if they're offering refunds for the canceled session. While I understand emergencies happen, it would have been better if they had informed us earlier, so I hope they will improve communication in the future.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-6-difficult-situation/samples/cancelled-gym-class

Task 7: Shopping Return Period Standardization

Excellent sample answer (written at around CLB 11–12, an estimate, not an official score)

I believe stores should standardize their return periods for several important reasons. First, standardizing return periods across all stores would create a clearer and more consistent shopping experience for customers. Shoppers would no longer have to worry about varying policies, making the process more predictable and transparent. Second, it would improve customer satisfaction and trust. When stores adopt similar return policies, it fosters a sense of fairness, as customers feel they are being treated equally regardless of the retailer. Finally, standardized return periods could streamline operations for retailers, as they would have a uniform process to manage returns and exchanges. In conclusion, I think that standardizing return periods is an effective way to enhance customer experience and promote fairness in the retail industry.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-7-expressing-opinions/samples/shopping-return-period-standardization

Task 8: A Virtual Reality Bus Stop

Excellent sample answer (written at around CLB 11–12, an estimate, not an official score)

Hi, I'm waiting at this incredible bus stop equipped with virtual reality. When I stepped in, I put on a headset and was instantly transported to a serene beach scene, complete with waves and birds, all while waiting for my bus. What makes it unique is how it transforms a mundane wait into an immersive escape, unlike any standard bus stop I've ever seen. It's such an innovative way to pass the time. Have you ever experienced something like this at a bus stop?

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-8-unusual-situation/samples/a-virtual-reality-bus-stop

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