

CELPIP Speaking Practice Test 4

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	Preparing for Your First Book Club Meeting	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 90 seconds
Task 2: Talking about a Personal Experience	Your First Online Purchase	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 3: Describing a Scene	Group Hike on a Rocky Path	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 4: Making Predictions	A bustling farmer's market	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 5: Comparing and Persuading	Local Library Resources Expansion	Preparation: 60 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 6: Dealing with a Difficult Situation	Missed Important Call with Elderly Parent	Preparation: 60 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 7: Expressing Opinions	Portable Electronic Device Usage in Hospitals	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 90 seconds
Task 8: Describing an Unusual Situation	Unique Music Box	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

Preparing for Your First Book Club Meeting

Your friend Sofia loves reading and has just been invited to join a monthly book club at her neighbourhood library in Winnipeg. She is excited, but she is shy about sharing her opinions with a group of strangers, and she is nervous because each member takes a turn picking the book. Advise Sofia on how she can get ready for the club and enjoy it.

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Task 2: Talking about a Personal Experience

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Your First Online Purchase

Tell me about your first online purchase. What did you buy, and how was the experience?

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Task 3: Describing a Scene

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Group Hike on a Rocky Path

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

A bustling farmer's market

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



Task 5: Comparing and Persuading

Preparation: 60 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Local Library Resources Expansion

The local library is considering expanding its resources to better serve the community. You need to choose between two options for the expansion. After choosing your preferred option, you'll persuade the library board why it is the better choice.

Option 1: Digital Library Services

- Online access to e-books, audiobooks, and online courses
- Allows members to access materials remotely
- Reduces need for physical space for books
- Estimated cost: \$20,000 for setup
- Expected completion time: 3 months

Option 2: Expanded Physical Library

- Adds more space for physical books, magazines, and study areas
- Offers a quiet space for reading and group study
- Attracts those who prefer tangible resources
- Estimated cost: \$25,000 for setup
- Expected completion time: 4 months

Your Library Board's Choice:

- Adding more public computers for internet access
- Provides internet access for those without it
- Limited to a specific group of users
- Estimated cost: \$15,000 for setup
- Expected completion time: 2 months

Task 6: Dealing with a Difficult Situation

Preparation: 60 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Missed Important Call with Elderly Parent

You missed an important call from your elderly parent, and they are upset. You want to explain why you couldn't answer and reassure them.

Choose ONE: EITHER Talk to your parents and explain why you missed the call and assure them it won't happen again. **OR** Talk to a sibling and explain why you think your parent might be overreacting to the missed call.

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Task 7: Expressing Opinions

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 90 seconds

Portable Electronic Device Usage in Hospitals

Do you think hospitals should allow the use of portable electronic devices like smartphones in patient areas? Why or why not?

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Task 8: Describing an Unusual Situation

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Unique Music Box

You're in a vintage shop and come across a music box that plays a song in a very unusual way. Describe the music box and explain what makes it interesting.

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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: Preparing for Your First Book Club Meeting

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

Sofia, first of all, this is so exciting! And honestly, being a quiet person can actually be an advantage in a book club, because the best members are usually the ones who really listen.

To feel prepared, keep a pack of sticky notes with you while you read. Whenever a line surprises you, or a character does something you disagree with, mark the page and jot down a word or two. That way, you'll walk in with a few ideas ready instead of trying to come up with them on the spot.

In the first meeting or two, you don't need to give a big speech. Asking something like, "Did anyone else find the ending frustrating?" is a really easy way to join in.

As for picking a book, go for something under three hundred pages that the library has plenty of copies of. A lot of publishers have free discussion guides online, which can really help you plan.

Give it a few months, and I bet you'll be one of their favourite members.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-1-giving-advice/samples/joining-a-local-book-club

Task 2: Your First Online Purchase

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

My first online purchase was a camera that I had researched for months. I was so excited because I had been saving up for it. The process of ordering was easy, but I had some concerns about the warranty. When the camera finally arrived, it exceeded my expectations in terms of quality and performance. The entire experience gave me confidence in online shopping, and I now frequently make online purchases for tech gadgets.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-2-personal-experience/samples/your-first-online-purchase

Task 3: Group Hike on a Rocky Path

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

What we have here is a big group of hikers making their way up a rocky dirt trail on what looks like a hot summer day. They're coming straight toward the camera, and nearly everyone is dressed for it, in shorts, sneakers or hiking boots, with backpacks on. Leading on the left is a bearded man in a grey long-sleeved top with an orange pack, and a boy in a grey T-shirt is keeping pace beside him. In the centre, a young man in a navy T-shirt is staring at the ground, carefully stepping over the stones. Over on the right, a woman in sunglasses and a grey tank top is walking with a man in a red T-shirt and a young woman in teal. There's a long line of people stretching behind them. On the left side of the trail, there's a steep rocky slope, and in the distance, pine trees give way to rolling blue mountains under a hazy sky.

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

Task 4: A bustling farmer's market

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

This vibrant scene at the farmer's market captures a busy and community-oriented atmosphere. Shoppers are browsing through the various stalls filled with fresh produce, flowers, and homemade goods. The sun is shining, adding warmth to the morning as people engage with the vendors, asking questions, and selecting items. I imagine that the market will continue to thrive as more people arrive, eager to purchase fresh, local goods. The children running around will likely keep playing, enjoying the outdoor space. As the morning progresses, the market will remain energetic, with a steady flow of shoppers, and the vendors will continue assisting customers, creating a warm and welcoming environment. It's likely the market will stay busy until noon.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-4-making-predictions/samples/a-bustling-farmers-market

Task 5: Local Library Resources Expansion

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

I believe the Digital Library Services would be the best investment for our library's future. Digital resources allow users to access e-books, audiobooks, and online courses from anywhere, ensuring that our services are available to everyone, regardless of location. The cost to set up is also more efficient, as it reduces the need for physical space and maintenance. While the Expanded Physical Library offers a traditional reading experience, it comes at a higher cost and doesn't address the growing demand for digital access. The addition of computers, although beneficial, does not have the same broad impact as digital services. Given the increasing use of digital technology, the Digital Library is the future of library services.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-5-comparing-and-persuading/samples/local-library-resources-expansion

Task 6: Missed Important Call with Elderly Parent

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

I truly regret missing the call and I understand why my parents are upset. I was caught up with work and couldn't take the call. However, I'll reach out to them as soon as possible to explain the situation and make sure they know how important they are to me. I'll also reassure them that I will prioritize being available for them in the future. I know they might be worried, so I'll do my best to address their concerns calmly and kindly.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-6-difficult-situation/samples/missed-important-call-with-elderly-parent

Task 7: Portable Electronic Device Usage in Hospitals

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

I believe that hospitals should allow limited use of portable electronic devices like smartphones in patient areas, but with certain restrictions. Firstly, smartphones can provide patients with important emotional support by allowing them to stay connected with family and friends, which is vital for mental well-being during hospitalization. However, the use of these devices should be restricted to designated areas or specific times, as excessive noise and distractions can disrupt the healing process. Hospitals are environments that require peace and focus, and patients need to rest without interruptions. Additionally, smartphones should not interfere with medical equipment, so it's essential to ensure that they are used responsibly. In conclusion, while the use of smartphones in hospitals should be allowed, it should be regulated to ensure a balance between patient comfort and the necessary medical environment.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-7-expressing-opinions/samples/portable-electronic-device-usage-in-hospitals

Task 8: Unique Music Box

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

Hi, I'm at a vintage shop, and I just discovered this fascinating music box that plays an incredibly unusual melody. The box itself is quite old-fashioned, made of finely crafted wood with intricate carvings. But the real surprise is the tune it plays – it's not your typical sweet, calming song. Instead, it has this haunting, almost otherworldly quality to it, with a combination of high and low notes that seem to tell a story. The way the mechanism works is unlike any music box I've seen before – the gears and movement seem much more complex. It's truly a unique find. Have you ever come across something like this? I'm considering buying it as a keepsake.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-8-unusual-situation/samples/unique-music-box

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