

CELPIP Speaking Practice Test 44

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	Managing Monthly Expenses on a Tight Budget	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 90 seconds
Task 2: Talking about a Personal Experience	Getting Lost While Hiking and Finding Your Way Back	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 3: Describing a Scene	A Modern Art Gallery	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 4: Making Predictions	Library	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 5: Comparing and Persuading	Growing Your Own Vegetables vs. Buying Organic from the Store	Preparation: 60 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 6: Dealing with a Difficult Situation	Losing a Friend's Concert Tickets	Preparation: 60 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 7: Expressing Opinions	Single-Sex Schools and Academic Outcomes	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 90 seconds
Task 8: Describing an Unusual Situation	A Billboard Casting Live Shadows of Passersby	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

Managing Monthly Expenses on a Tight Budget

Your sibling is struggling to manage their monthly expenses after moving out. They want advice on how to save money and stick to a budget.

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Task 2: Talking about a Personal Experience

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Getting Lost While Hiking and Finding Your Way Back

Describe a time when you got lost while hiking and managed to find your way back. What did you do, and what did you learn?

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Task 3: Describing a Scene

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

A Modern Art Gallery

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

Library

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



Task 5: Comparing and Persuading

Preparation: 60 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Growing Your Own Vegetables vs. Buying Organic from the Store

You want to eat more healthy vegetables. Should you grow your own in a home garden or buy certified organic vegetables from the grocery store?

**Option 1:

- Growing Your Own
- Total control over how food is grown
- Can save money over time
- Requires time, space, and effort
- Seasonal limitations

**Option 2:

- Buying Organic
- Convenient and quick
- Certified organic standards
- More expensive
- No control over how they're grown

***Alternative Choice (Your Neighbor's Preference):

Buying organic is easy and saves time, and you can always find what you want no matter the season.

Task 6: Dealing with a Difficult Situation

Preparation: 60 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Losing a Friend's Concert Tickets

You borrowed concert tickets from your friend for an event tonight, but you've misplaced them after a hectic day and can't find them despite searching everywhere. Your friend is excited about attending together and will be disappointed. You must break the news honestly to preserve trust.

Choice:

Either

Talk to your friend and explain how the tickets were lost, apologizing and offering to buy replacements if available.

OR

Talk to your friend and explain the circumstances of the loss, suggesting you both check online for digital reissues or alternatives.

Task 7: Expressing Opinions

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 90 seconds

Single-Sex Schools and Academic Outcomes

Share your thoughts on whether single-sex schools contribute to better academic results compared to coeducational schools. Include points about learning environment and social development.

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Task 8: Describing an Unusual Situation

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

A Billboard Casting Live Shadows of Passersby

You notice a billboard that casts shadows of people walking past it, making it look like the shadows are part of the advertisement. Describe this unusual billboard.



Sample answers

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

Task 1: Managing Monthly Expenses on a Tight Budget

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

Managing a tight budget requires careful planning and discipline. I recommend starting by tracking all your expenses, even the small ones, for a month. This will help you identify unnecessary spending, such as frequent takeout or impulse purchases. Create a realistic budget that covers your essential needs first, like rent, groceries, and bills, and set aside a fixed amount for savings. Consider using budgeting apps to keep yourself accountable. Look for ways to reduce costs, such as buying in bulk, cooking at home, or taking advantage of student discounts. Most importantly, review your budget regularly and adjust it as your needs change. With some practice, you'll find it easier to save money and avoid financial stress.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-1-giving-advice/samples/managing-monthly-expenses-on-a-tight-budget

Task 2: Getting Lost While Hiking and Finding Your Way Back

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

During a hiking trip last fall, I accidentally wandered off the marked path and soon realized I was lost. Initially, I panicked, but I took a deep breath, checked my GPS, and retraced my steps. After an hour, I finally found the main trail and made it back safely. The experience was both frightening and eye-opening, teaching me the importance of preparation and staying calm in difficult situations.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-2-personal-experience/samples/getting-lost-while-hiking-and-finding-your-way-back

Task 3: A Modern Art Gallery

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

This sleek and sophisticated modern art gallery creates an immersive experience for visitors. The abstract paintings and striking sculptures invite introspection, with viewers carefully observing the works. Some engage in thoughtful discussions about the pieces, while others contemplate the sculptures displayed in the open space. The clean, minimalist design of the gallery highlights the art, allowing each piece to stand out.

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

Task 4: Library

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

The image depicts a man engrossed in a book within a serene library, his table laden with volumes. Around him, patrons quietly peruse shelves or tap away at computers, bathed in sunlight pouring through expansive windows. I anticipate he'll remain absorbed in his reading, while the others persist in their quests for knowledge or research, the tranquil atmosphere unbroken by the gentle hum of activity.

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

Task 5: Growing Your Own Vegetables vs. Buying Organic from the Store

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

Although buying organic vegetables is convenient and provides year-round access, I strongly prefer growing my own. By gardening, I have complete control over how my food is produced and can avoid any unwanted chemicals. It's more economical in the long run, and eating something I've grown myself is deeply satisfying. While it takes effort and time, the health benefits and sense of achievement far outweigh the convenience of store-bought organic produce.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-5-comparing-and-persuading/samples/growing-your-own-vegetables-vs-buying-organic-from-the-store

Task 6: Losing a Friend's Concert Tickets

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

I need to come clean immediately—regrettably, the concert tickets you entrusted to me have gone missing despite my exhaustive search through bags, pockets, and the car, likely lost amid the chaos of my packed schedule today. I completely understand your anticipation for this event and how frustrating this must be, and I apologize profusely for my carelessness, as it undermines the excitement we shared. As a remedy, I'm prepared to purchase replacement tickets if they're still on sale, or alternatively, explore the venue's lost ticket policy for reissues. Let's collaborate on this right away to salvage the evening; your forgiveness would be invaluable, and I've learned to implement better safeguards for such items in the future.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-6-difficult-situation/samples/losing-a-friends-concert-tickets

Task 7: Single-Sex Schools and Academic Outcomes

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

I contend that single-sex schools can foster enhanced academic performance for particular students by providing tailored pedagogical approaches that align with gender-specific learning preferences. These schools may minimize social distractions often present in coeducational settings, potentially leading to improved focus and achievement. Nevertheless, the segregation might hinder essential interpersonal skills necessary for thriving in a diverse society, potentially limiting students' social adaptability. Consequently, while single-sex education offers academic advantages, it should be balanced with opportunities for coeducational social experiences.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-7-expressing-opinions/samples/single-sex-schools-and-academic-outcomes

Task 8: A Billboard Casting Live Shadows of Passersby

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

The billboard employs advanced technology to integrate the real-time shadows of pedestrians into its display, creating an immersive experience. As people walk by, their silhouettes become dynamic components of the advertisement, blurring the lines between viewer and content in an innovative and engaging manner.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-8-unusual-situation/samples/a-billboard-casting-live-shadows-of-passersby

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