

CELPIP Speaking Practice Test 49

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	Studying for Language Proficiency Exams	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 90 seconds
Task 2: Talking about a Personal Experience	Moving to a New City Without Knowing Anyone There	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 3: Describing a Scene	A Botanical Garden in Spring	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 4: Making Predictions	Coffee Shop	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 5: Comparing and Persuading	Attending Live Theater Performances vs. Watching Movies	Preparation: 60 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 6: Dealing with a Difficult Situation	Reporting a Plumbing Issue to Landlord	Preparation: 60 seconds Speaking: 60 seconds
Task 7: Expressing Opinions	Prohibiting Animal Testing for Cosmetics Globally	Preparation: 30 seconds Speaking: 90 seconds
Task 8: Describing an Unusual Situation	A Mural Painting Itself with New Scenes Daily	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

Studying for Language Proficiency Exams

Your friend is nervous about an upcoming language proficiency exam and wants advice on how to study effectively.

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Task 2: Talking about a Personal Experience

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Moving to a New City Without Knowing Anyone There

Describe a situation when you moved to a new city without knowing anyone there. What did you do, and how did it turn out?

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Task 3: Describing a Scene

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

A Botanical Garden in Spring

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

Coffee Shop

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



Task 5: Comparing and Persuading

Preparation: 60 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Attending Live Theater Performances vs. Watching Movies

Your city is offering discounted tickets for both live theater shows and movie screenings this month. Which form of entertainment would you rather choose?

Option 1:

- Live Theater
- Unique experience every performance
- Direct interaction with actors
- Tickets are often more expensive
- Limited showtimes

**Option 2:

- Movies
- Convenient schedules and locations
- Affordable ticket prices
- High-quality special effects
- Less interactive, pre-recorded

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

Watching movies is easy, budget-friendly, and offers lots of options for different tastes and schedules.

Task 6: Dealing with a Difficult Situation

Preparation: 60 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

Reporting a Plumbing Issue to Landlord

You've discovered a leaking pipe in your apartment that's causing water damage, but it's after hours, and repairs might require access during your absence. Your landlord prefers advance notice. You must inform them urgently yet considerately.

Choice:

Either

Talk to your landlord and explain the plumbing problem's severity, requesting immediate inspection and offering access times.

OR

Talk to your landlord and explain how the issue developed, suggesting they send a preferred plumber while you're away.

Task 7: Expressing Opinions

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 90 seconds

Prohibiting Animal Testing for Cosmetics Globally

Do you think animal testing for cosmetic products should be banned worldwide? Discuss ethical concerns and alternative methods.

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Task 8: Describing an Unusual Situation

Preparation: 30 seconds · Speaking: 60 seconds

A Mural Painting Itself with New Scenes Daily

You find a mural that seems to paint itself, changing its scenes every day without any artist visible. Describe this magical mural.

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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: Studying for Language Proficiency Exams

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

Preparing for a language proficiency exam is all about consistency and practice. Create a study schedule that covers all aspects: reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Take as many practice tests as you can to become familiar with the exam format and time limits. Try to immerse yourself in the language by watching movies, reading articles, and speaking with native speakers if possible. Review your mistakes and focus on areas that need improvement. Finally, ensure you rest well before the test day to perform at your best.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-1-giving-advice/samples/studying-for-language-proficiency-exams

Task 2: Moving to a New City Without Knowing Anyone There

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

Two years ago, I moved to a bustling city for a career opportunity, leaving behind my familiar world without knowing a single person. The initial loneliness was daunting, and I felt out of place in the fast-paced environment. Determined to settle in, I explored local cafes, joined a photography club, and volunteered at community events, gradually forming connections with like-minded people. Each small interaction built my confidence, and within months, I had a supportive circle of friends. The experience was both challenging and rewarding, teaching me the value of stepping out of my comfort zone and the resilience needed to create a new home. It shaped me into a more independent and adaptable person.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-2-personal-experience/samples/moving-to-a-new-city-without-knowing-anyone-there

Task 3: A Botanical Garden in Spring

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

This idyllic spring scene in a botanical garden captures the essence of nature's beauty. The garden is alive with color as flowers bloom in a spectacular display. Visitors wander along the meandering paths, immersing themselves in the peaceful surroundings. The gentle flutter of butterflies and the chirping of birds create a serene ambiance, making this garden a true oasis of tranquility and natural wonder.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-3-describing-a-scene/samples/a-botanical-garden-in-spring

Task 4: Coffee Shop

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

The image depicts a couple nestled in a cozy coffee shop, savoring cups of coffee and pastries at their table. Around them, customers queue at the counter, and a barista deftly crafts beverages, all under the glow of a snug interior as light snow dusts the world outside. I anticipate they'll prolong their stay, relishing the warmth and treats, while the barista continues to bustle, meeting the steady demand of the winter day.

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

Task 5: Attending Live Theater Performances vs. Watching Movies

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

While movies provide convenience and dazzling visual effects, I find the immersive energy of live theater far more captivating. The unpredictability of a live performance, coupled with the emotional intensity delivered by the actors in real-time, creates a memorable experience. Despite higher costs and fewer showtimes, the connection between the audience and performers in the theater is truly irreplaceable, making it my preferred choice.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-5-comparing-and-persuading/samples/attending-live-theater-performances-vs-watching-movies

Task 6: Reporting a Plumbing Issue to Landlord

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

I wanted to alert you promptly to a concerning plumbing issue in the unit—a steady drip from the kitchen sink pipe has escalated into noticeable leakage, risking structural damage if unaddressed. While I regret the timing, the problem seems to stem from wear and tear, and early intervention could prevent costlier fixes. To facilitate repairs, I propose scheduling a visit first thing tomorrow, during which I can be present, or alternatively, authorize entry in my absence via the building manager. Your expertise in coordinating a reliable plumber would be invaluable, and I'm grateful for your dedication to tenant comfort—please advise on next steps.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-6-difficult-situation/samples/reporting-a-plumbing-issue-to-landlord

Task 7: Prohibiting Animal Testing for Cosmetics Globally

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

In my opinion, animal testing for cosmetic products should be universally prohibited due to profound ethical concerns regarding animal welfare and rights. The infliction of pain and distress on animals for non-essential products is increasingly unjustifiable, especially given the advancement of alternative in vitro and computational testing technologies that ensure product safety without cruelty. Despite regulatory and cultural differences worldwide, harmonizing bans on animal testing could accelerate the adoption of humane practices and promote consumer confidence in ethically produced cosmetics.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-7-expressing-opinions/samples/prohibiting-animal-testing-for-cosmetics-globally

Task 8: A Mural Painting Itself with New Scenes Daily

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

This enchanting mural undergoes daily transformations, seemingly repainting itself with fresh scenes and vivid imagery each day. The absence of any visible artist adds to the mystery, making it a captivating and almost supernatural work of evolving art.

Basic and good answers for this task: celpass.com/celpip/speaking/task-8-unusual-situation/samples/a-mural-painting-itself-with-new-scenes-daily

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