

# Guidebook for Test Takers

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*CELPIP is the leading English proficiency  
test for immigration to Canada*



**CELPIP**<sup>®</sup>

# Why Choose CELPIP

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The CELPIP Tests are Canada's leading English language proficiency tests. Since all components are completely computer-delivered in just one sitting, it offers a unique testing experience that requires no additional appointments. The computer-delivered Speaking component allows test takers to demonstrate their English proficiency without the possible confounding effects associated with human interaction, as used in other testing systems.

## Test Features

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### Computer-delivered Test

Done in just one sitting and includes features such as a personal timer, word counter, and spell-check



### Quick Online Results

Available to test takers online in 8 business days, or 3 business days with express rating



### Free Study Materials

Sample tests, videos, online information sessions, and online preparation courses



### Updates via SMS

Test takers can select to receive SMS updates when their CELPIP scores are available



### Updates via Email

Test takers will receive test day confirmations and score notifications via email

# CELPIP Test Format

The CELPIP Test is available in two versions: the CELPIP-General Test and the CELPIP-General LS Test. The CELPIP-General Test has four components—Listening, Reading, Writing, and Speaking,—and the CELPIP-General LS Test has two components—Listening and Speaking.

The CELPIP Test is fully computer delivered, providing test takers the opportunity to complete all test components in one sitting with no additional appointments, interviews, or test sittings required. CELPIP Test Takers use a computer mouse and keyboard to complete Reading and Writing components of the test, and a computer microphone and headset to complete the Listening and Speaking components. Computerized tests offer test takers a quick and reliable testing experience.

## CELPIP-General Test Format & Price

**\$280** Total test time is about 3 hours, and is done in one sitting.  
+ Taxes

### Listening

Listen to passages and answer questions

47–55 minutes

### Reading

Read passages and answer questions

55–60 minutes

### Writing

Respond to questions with written answers

53–60 minutes

### Speaking

Reply to on-screen prompts verbally

15–20 minutes

## CELPIP-General LS Test Format & Price

**\$195** Total test time is about 1 hour, and is done in one sitting.  
+ Taxes

### Listening

Listen to passages and answer questions

47–55 minutes

### Speaking

Reply to on-screen prompts verbally

15–20 minutes

# How to Register for the CELPIP Test Online

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*Registering for CELPIP online is fast and easy:*

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## **Create a CELPIP Account**

Visit [celPIP.ca](http://celPIP.ca) and click on the "Sign In" link at the top of the page. This will take test takers to the account page, where they can create a CELPIP account.

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## **Sign into a CELPIP Account**

After creating a new CELPIP account or signing into an existing account, test takers can register for a test.

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## **Register for CELPIP**

During registration test takers select the country, region, and city in which they will take the CELPIP Test. After reviewing the available test dates, test takers can register for a convenient test centre and testing date.

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## **Choose the identification to bring**

Test takers can choose the type of personal identification that they will provide on test day from a list of acceptable identification choices.

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## **Confirm information and payment option**

Test takers can pay via credit card online, or submit a paper test registration form through the mail with an alternative form of payment.

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## **Receive Test Confirmation Email**

Once payment has been processed, test takers will receive their test confirmation email, which will detail when and where they will take the CELPIP Test. This must be taken, along with identification, to their CELPIP Test sitting.

For test takers that need to cancel or reschedule their test sitting, review the transfer and cancellation policy here: [celPIP.ca/transfer-cancellation-retake-policies](http://celPIP.ca/transfer-cancellation-retake-policies)

# CELPIP Band Scores

Each component of the CELPIP-General Test and the CELPIP-General LS Test is given a CELPIP level. Below is a chart of each CELPIP level and its corresponding description. Since the CELPIP test scores have been calibrated against the Canadian Language Benchmark (CLB) levels, we have included the CLB level equivalencies for your information.

CELPIP Score	CLB Level	CELPIP Score Descriptor
12	12	Advanced proficiency in workplace and community contexts
11	11	Advanced proficiency in workplace and community contexts
10	10	Highly effective proficiency in workplace and community contexts
9	9	Effective proficiency in workplace and community contexts
8	8	Good proficiency in workplace and community contexts
7	7	Adequate proficiency in workplace and community contexts
6	6	Developing proficiency in workplace and community contexts
5	5	Acquiring proficiency in workplace and community contexts
4	4	Adequate proficiency for daily life activities
3	3	Some proficiency in limited contexts
M	0, 1, 2	Minimal proficiency or insufficient information to assess
NA	/	Not Administered: test taker did not receive this test component

# CELPIP Components

## Speaking

Number of Questions	Component Sections
1	Practice Task
1	Task 1: Giving Advice
1	Task 2: Talking about a Personal Experience
1	Task 3: Describing a Scene
1	Task 4: Making Predictions
1	Task 5: Comparing and Persuading
1	Task 6: Dealing with a Difficult Situation
1	Task 7: Expressing Opinions
1	Task 8: Describing an Unusual Situation

## Listening

Number of Questions	Component Sections
1	Practice Task
8	Part 1: Listening to Problem Solving
5	Part 2: Listening to a Daily Life Conversation
6	Part 3: Listening for Information
5	Part 4: Listening to a News Item
8	Part 5: Listening to a Discussion
6	Part 6: Listening to Viewpoints

## Reading

Number of Questions	Component Sections
1	Practice Task
11	Part 1: Reading Correspondence
8	Part 2: Reading to Apply a Diagram
9	Part 3: Reading for Information
10	Part 4: Reading for Viewpoints

## Writing

Number of Questions	Component Sections
1	Task 1: Writing an Email
1	Task 2: Responding to Survey Questions

# CELPIP Study Plans

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## *Self-directed*

### Workbooks

Vocabulary Skills  
Common CELPIP Errors

### Textbooks

CELPIP Focus

### Online Study Programs

CELPIP Practice and Analysis  
CELPIP Accelerate

## *Instructor-led*

### Webinars

CELPIP Speaking Pro  
CELPIP Information Session

### Preparation Programs

CELPIP Preparation Program

## *Practice-based*

### Free Sample Test

CELPIP Sample Test

### Practice Tests

CELPIP Online Practice Tests, 1-6

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