SECOND SET OF GENERAL CELPIP PRACTICE

Practice Test 1 - Speaking

Speaking Test Instructions

1. There are 9 tasks in this test: one practice task and 8 scored tasks. In this practice test, no score will be provided for any of the speaking tasks. However, you can refer to the Performance Standards for Speaking or listen to sample speaking responses at the end of the Speaking Test.

2. The instructions and questions are in writing. You will not hear them.

3. For each task, there are two timed sections: Preparation Time and Recording Time. You will be able to see these times in the top right corner of the screen. For this practice test, you should use a timer to make sure that you complete each task within the given time.

4. The practice test will not record your answers. If you wish to record your own answers, record and save your responses using your computer microphone or your own recording device (cellphone, digital recorder, etc.).

5. On the official test, if you do not finish a task in the time provided, the screen will move to the next task. You cannot go back to the previous task. However, in this practice test, in order to move forward in the test you must click on “NEXT.”

6. Try to complete the Speaking Test in a maximum of 20 minutes, since this is how much time you have to do the official Speaking Test.
Practice Test 1 - Speaking Practice Task

Preparation: 30 seconds Recording: 60 seconds

Talk about one of your best friends.

Practice Test 1 - Speaking Task 1: Giving Advice

Preparation: 30 seconds Recording: 90 seconds

Your friend’s cousin is visiting from abroad, and she loves shopping. Advise your friend on where to take his cousin shopping and which shops are the most interesting.

Practice Test 1 - Speaking Task 2: Talking about a Personal Experience

Preparation: 30 seconds Recording: 60 seconds

Talk about a time when you helped someone. Maybe you can talk about helping a family member, a classmate, or a total stranger. Where were you, how did you help them, and how did it make you feel?
Practice Test 1 - Speaking Task 3: Describing a Scene

Preparation: 30 seconds Recording: 60 seconds

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.
In this picture, what do you think will most probably happen next?
The children’s club you volunteer at is planning a field trip for the children aged 8 to 10, and you must help choose where they will go. You find two suitable options. Using the pictures and information below, choose the option that you prefer. In the next section, you will need to persuade another parent of the club that your choice is the better choice.

If you do not choose an option, the computer will choose one for you. You do not need to speak for this part.

Children’s Farm
- $10 per person
- Feed the chickens
- Watch the cows being milked

Ice skating
- $13 per person including skate rental
- Great exercise for all ages
- Hockey sticks and pucks available
Your colleague, Adam, is going to visit a client tomorrow. He wants to dress informally to stress his individuality. Your co-worker, Suzanne, believes that formal style is always better.

Choose ONE:

EITHER
Talk to Suzanne. Explain that informal clothing can be appropriate.

OR
Talk to Adam. Explain why formal clothing is better for a business meeting.
Practice Test 1 - Speaking Task 7: Expressing Opinions

Preparation: 30 seconds Recording: 90 seconds

Answer the following question.

Question: Do you think car drivers should re-take the road test every 5 years? Explain your reasons.

Practice Test 1 - Speaking Task 8: Describing an Unusual Situation

Preparation: 30 seconds Recording: 60 seconds

You want to purchase this rug, but the store won’t let you take a photo. Call a family member. Provide a full and clear description of the rug you wish to buy, and ask your family member if you can buy the rug.