

Canadian Language Benchmarks

Can Do Statements

Listening



At this Benchmark, I can:

 understand an adequate range of complex formal and informal communication on a broad variety of general interest topics, and on some specialized topics in my field

When:

- the communication is related to unfamiliar, abstract, conceptual, or technical matters
- the communication is lengthy
- the communication is in demanding contexts

Interacting with Others

Understand main intent and some implied meanings in complex communication between speakers with varying roles and relationships.

For example:

• dialogues between professors and graduate students

Getting Things Done

 Understand complex extended communication intended to influence, persuade, or inform significant decisions.

For example:

• proposals to solve a workplace problem

Comprehending Instructions

Understand somewhat detailed multistep directions and instructions for familiar procedures.

For example:

• Revenue Canada's telephone instructions on how to complete a tax form

Comprehending Information

Understand extended discussions between several speakers.

For example:

- panel discussions in a familiar field to critically evaluate information
- Understand and summarize extensive lectures or presentations.

For example:

lectures on the findings of research studies

