# Canadian Language Benchmarks

# Can Do Statements

<u>Benchmark</u>

## At this Benchmark, I can:

• understand an extensive range of complex, abstract, formal, and informal communication on most general and specialized topics

#### 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 the nuances and subtleties of communication between diverse speakers.

#### For example:

- legislative proceedings that include examples of sarcasm, criticism and disrespect
- condolences and congratulations

### Getting Things Done

Understand the nuances and subtleties of communication intended to influence or persuade across a wide range of contexts, whether familiar or unfamiliar, including academic, workplace, and community.

#### For example:

all-candidates' debates during election campaigns

#### Comprehending Instructions

Understand and evaluate detailed, extensive oral instructions for complex procedures in a broad range of situations.

#### For example:

instructions for solving a complex mathematical problem

## Comprehending Information

Critically evaluate complex, detailed and specialized discussions, interviews, or formal debates.

#### For example:

- formal debates in Parliament
- Critically evaluate, analyze, and synthesize complex, detailed, and extensive lectures or presentations.

#### For example:

the defence of an academic thesis