Printable flash cards

Each strip has the word or question on the left and the answer on the right. Cut out each strip along the dashed lines and fold it down the middle so the answer is on the back. Keep the cards you know in one pile and the cards to review in another. Review the second pile every day.

Topics: Home and housing, Work, Health, Community and services, Getting around, Money and shopping, Weather and seasons, Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking, Linking words, Speaking phrases, Grammar fixes, Test facts.

173 cards in all. Print one sided.

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Flash cards 1: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

lease Home and housing	a signed rental agreement Our lease ends on June 30.
landlord Home and housing	the owner who rents a home to you I emailed the landlord about the leak.
tenant Home and housing	a person who rents a home The new tenants move in on Saturday.
utilities Home and housing	services such as heat, water and electricity Utilities are included in the rent.
hydro bill Home and housing	an electricity bill (used in several provinces) Our hydro bill doubles in winter.
furnace Home and housing	the machine that heats a house The furnace stopped working last night.
thermostat Home and housing	a control that sets the temperature Turn the thermostat down at night.
draft Home and housing	cold air coming in There is a draft around the window.

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Flash cards 2: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

damage deposit Home and housing	money paid at the start of a lease to cover damage We got our damage deposit back.
superintendent Home and housing	a person who manages repairs in a building Ask the superintendent for a parking pass.
noise complaint Home and housing	a formal report about noise A neighbour made a noise complaint.
storage locker Home and housing	a small locked room for your things Our bikes are in the storage locker.
snow removal Home and housing	clearing snow from roads and paths Snow removal starts at 6 a.m.
shovel (verb) Home and housing	to clear snow with a shovel I shovelled the driveway before work.
garage sale Home and housing	selling used things from your home I bought a lamp at a garage sale.
shift Work	a set period of work I work the night shift on weekends.

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Flash cards 3: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

overtime Work	extra hours, usually paid more She worked ten hours of overtime.
pay stub Work	a paper showing your pay and deductions Keep every pay stub for taxes.
deduction Work	money taken from your pay Pension and tax deductions lower your net pay.
probation period Work	the first months of a new job My probation period lasts three months.
reference Work	a person who speaks about your work My old manager is my reference.
time off Work	days when you are not working I asked for time off in July.
sick day Work	a day off because you are ill Call your manager if you take a sick day.
co-worker Work	a person you work with My co-worker covered my shift.

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Flash cards 4: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

deadline Work	the latest time to finish something The report deadline is Friday at noon.
performance review Work	a meeting about how well you work My performance review went well.
staff meeting Work	a meeting for all employees We announced the food drive at the staff meeting.
work from home Work	do your job from your home I work from home on Tuesdays.
resign Work	to leave a job by choice He resigned to start his own business.
cover for someone Work	to do someone's work for them Can you cover for me on Saturday?
health card Health	a provincial card for public health care Bring your health card to the clinic.
walk-in clinic Health	a clinic where you can go without an appointment The walk-in clinic opens at 9.

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Flash cards 5: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

family doctor Health	your regular doctor It's hard to find a family doctor here.
prescription Health	a doctor's order for medicine The pharmacist filled my prescription.
refill Health	more medicine on the same prescription I need a refill before Friday.
check-up Health	a routine visit to the doctor or dentist My daughter needs her first check-up.
allergic to Health	having a bad reaction to something Are you allergic to dogs?
emergency room Health	the hospital area for urgent care We waited four hours in the emergency room.
specialist Health	a doctor for one area of medicine My doctor referred me to a specialist.
referral Health	a doctor's request for you to see someone You need a referral to see a specialist.

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Flash cards 6: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

cleaning Health	a dental visit to clean your teeth I have a cleaning on Thursday at two.
waive a fee Health	to agree not to charge a fee The office waived the late fee.
community centre Community and services	a public building for classes and events Swimming lessons are at the community centre.
resident rate Community and services	a lower price for local residents We paid the resident rate.
proof of address Community and services	a document that shows where you live A utility bill is proof of address.
waiting list Community and services	a list of people waiting for a spot Put me on the waiting list.
drop-in Community and services	you can come without signing up The English café is drop-in.
register Community and services	to sign up officially Register at the front desk.

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Flash cards 7: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

volunteer Community and services	a person who works without pay Volunteers sorted the food donations.
food bank Community and services	a place that gives free food to people in need The food bank needs cash more than cans.
potluck Community and services	a meal where everyone brings a dish Our street party will be a potluck.
permit Community and services	official permission You need a permit to close the street.
recycling bin Community and services	a box for things that can be reused Glass jars go in the blue bin.
city hall Community and services	the main city government building I'll go to city hall on Thursday.
library card Community and services	a card that lets you borrow items With a library card, you can borrow seeds.
by-law Community and services	a local rule made by a city A city by-law limits backyard hens to four.

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Flash cards 8: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

councillor Community and services	an elected member of a city council The councillor voted against the plan.
transit Getting around	public buses and trains I take transit to work.
transfer Getting around	a ticket to change buses without paying again Ask the driver for a transfer.
commute Getting around	the trip to and from work My commute is forty minutes.
detour Getting around	a different route because a road is closed There is a detour on Main Street.
booster cables Getting around	cables to start a car with a dead battery Keep booster cables in your trunk.
winter tires Getting around	tires made for snow and ice Put your winter tires on in November.
road closure Getting around	a road that is closed The road closure lasts until Monday.

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Flash cards 9: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

parking pass Getting around	a permit to park in a place Visitors need a parking pass.
pick-up Getting around	collecting someone or something Green bin pick-up is every week.
rush hour Getting around	the busiest travel times Avoid the highway at rush hour.
receipt Money and shopping	a paper that proves you paid Keep the receipt for the heater.
refund Money and shopping	money given back I would like a full refund.
exchange Money and shopping	to swap an item for another Can I exchange this for a bigger size?
warranty Money and shopping	a promise to repair a product The warranty covers parts for two years.
instalment Money and shopping	one of several payments You can pay in three instalments.

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Flash cards 10: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

deposit Money and shopping	money paid in advance The movers asked for a small deposit.
on sale Money and shopping	at a lower price for a time Winter coats are on sale.
out of stock Money and shopping	not available in the store now That model is out of stock.
budget Money and shopping	a plan for spending money We set a budget for the party.
split the cost Money and shopping	share the price Let's split the cost of the hall.
wind chill Weather and seasons	how cold the wind makes it feel The wind chill is minus thirty.
freezing rain Weather and seasons	rain that turns to ice Freezing rain closed the schools.
heat wave Weather and seasons	several very hot days Cooling centres open during a heat wave.

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Flash cards 11: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

thin ice Weather and seasons	ice that is not safe Stay off thin ice.
snowstorm Weather and seasons	a storm with heavy snow The snowstorm cancelled my flight.
long weekend Weather and seasons	a weekend with a holiday Monday We go camping on the long weekend.
I am writing regarding Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	formal way to start an email I am writing regarding my recent order.
I would appreciate it if Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	polite request I would appreciate it if you could reply by Friday.
On the one hand / On the other hand Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	showing two sides On the one hand, it is cheaper; on the other hand, it is farther.
Another thing to consider is Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	adding a point Another thing to consider is the cost of parking.
That's why Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	giving a result The camp covers full days. That's why it suits us.

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Flash cards 12: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

I'd suggest Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	friendly advice I'd suggest booking early.
It looks like Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	describing a picture It looks like a sunny Saturday morning.
is likely to Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	making a prediction The dog is likely to run off with an orange.
I understand your point, but Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	polite disagreement I understand your point, but the camp saves us money overall.
Overall Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	summing up Overall, I support cheaper transit.
As far as I know Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	showing you are not 100% sure As far as I know, the store closes at nine.
To be honest Useful phrases for Writing and Speaking	introducing a true feeling To be honest, I was a little nervous.
first of all Linking words	to start a list of points First of all, the rent is lower.

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Flash cards 13: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

in addition Linking words	to add another point In addition, the park is close to the school.
on top of that Linking words	to add a stronger point (friendly) On top of that, the bus was late.
however Linking words	to show a contrast The pay is good. However, the hours are long.
although Linking words	to contrast two ideas in one sentence Although it was cold, we went skating.
on the other hand Linking words	to show the other side On the other hand, a garden needs volunteers.
as a result Linking words	to show a result The furnace broke. As a result, we bought a heater.
for this reason Linking words	to link a reason to a choice For this reason, I prefer Option A.
because of Linking words	+ noun, to give a cause The game was cancelled because of the storm.

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Flash cards 14: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

due to Linking words	+ noun, a more formal cause The office is closed due to repairs.
for example Linking words	to give an example For example, my neighbour shovels for seniors.
such as Linking words	+ examples inside a sentence Bring documents such as a pay stub.
in my opinion Linking words	to give your opinion In my opinion, the city should build a library.
unless Linking words	if not We will go unless it rains.
as long as Linking words	only if You can borrow it, as long as you return it by Friday.
meanwhile Linking words	at the same time Meanwhile, the dog is chasing an orange.
eventually Linking words	in the end, after some time Eventually, the landlord fixed the leak.

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Flash cards 15: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

overall Linking words	to give a general conclusion Overall, it was a great experience.
to sum up Linking words	to start a short conclusion To sum up, a park would help everyone.
that is why Linking words	to give the result of a reason (spoken) That is why I think you should take it.
If I were you, I'd... Speaking phrases	Task 1: give advice If I were you, I'd ask for a trial period.
Have you thought about...? Speaking phrases	Task 1: suggest an idea Have you thought about working from home?
It happened a couple of years ago, when... Speaking phrases	Task 2: start a story It happened a couple of years ago, when I first moved here.
What I learned from it was... Speaking phrases	Task 2: end a story What I learned from it was to always ask for help.
In the centre of the picture... Speaking phrases	Task 3: describe position In the centre of the picture, a man is selling apples.

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Flash cards 16: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

In the bottom right corner... Speaking phrases	Task 3: describe position In the bottom right corner, a bag has fallen over.
It looks like... Speaking phrases	Tasks 3 and 8: describe what you see It looks like a sunny Saturday morning.
is likely to Speaking phrases	Task 4: a probable future The dog is likely to grab an orange.
I'd guess that... Speaking phrases	Task 4: a prediction I'd guess that her father will buy a pie.
I see why you like..., but... Speaking phrases	Task 5: praise, then compare I see why you like the cabin, but the hotel has a pool.
..., which makes it better for... Speaking phrases	Task 5: compare It is closer, which makes it better for the kids.
I'm really sorry, but... Speaking phrases	Task 6: bad news politely I'm really sorry, but I can't come on Saturday.
How would you feel if...? Speaking phrases	Task 6: offer a solution How would you feel if I came on Sunday instead?

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Flash cards 17: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

I strongly believe that... Speaking phrases	Task 7: a clear opinion I strongly believe that cities need more bike lanes.
I partly agree, because... Speaking phrases	Task 7: a balanced opinion I partly agree, because it depends on the family.
Some people might say..., but... Speaking phrases	Task 7: the other side Some people might say it costs too much, but...
I'm calling because... Speaking phrases	Task 8: open the call I'm calling because I found something strange.
It's about the size of... Speaking phrases	Task 8: size It's about the size of a shoebox.
It's shaped like... Speaking phrases	Task 8: shape It's shaped like a big egg.
I mean... Speaking phrases	Any task: correct yourself and keep going He bought, I mean he sold, the car.
Fix it: I have bought it last week. Grammar fixes	I bought it last week. A finished time (last week) takes the past simple.

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Flash cards 18: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

Fix it: I live here since 2023. Grammar fixes	I have lived here since 2023. since + starting point takes the present perfect.
Fix it: Can you give me some advices? Grammar fixes	Can you give me some advice? advice is uncountable: no plural.
Fix it: We need new furnitures. Grammar fixes	We need new furniture. furniture is uncountable.
Fix it: The news are good. Grammar fixes	The news is good. news is uncountable and takes a singular verb.
Fix it: The meeting is in Monday. Grammar fixes	The meeting is on Monday. on + day or date.
Fix it: Call me on 3 p.m. Grammar fixes	Call me at 3 p.m. at + clock time.
Fix it: I will finish it until Friday. Grammar fixes	I will finish it by Friday. by = not later than.
Fix it: Each of the units have a balcony. Grammar fixes	Each of the units has a balcony. each takes a singular verb.

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Flash cards 19: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

Fix it: Everyone need a permit. Grammar fixes	Everyone needs a permit. everyone takes a singular verb.
Fix it: The heater broke, we called the landlord. Grammar fixes	The heater broke, so we called the landlord. Never join two full sentences with only a comma.
Fix it: I bought washing machine. Grammar fixes	I bought a washing machine. One countable thing needs a or an.
Fix it: The rent is expensive in the Vancouver. Grammar fixes	The rent is expensive in Vancouver. No article before most city names.
Fix it: I want to make a complain. Grammar fixes	I want to make a complaint. complaint is the noun; complain is the verb.
Fix it: I recommendation the blue one. Grammar fixes	I recommend the blue one. recommend is the verb.
Fix it: He said me that it was free. Grammar fixes	He told me that it was free. tell someone; say something.
Fix it: I am agree with you. Grammar fixes	I agree with you. agree is a verb: no am.

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Flash cards 20: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

Fix it: I'm looking forward to see you. Grammar fixes	I'm looking forward to seeing you. look forward to + -ing.
Order of the four components? Test facts	Listening, Reading, Writing, Speaking All in one sitting, on a computer.
How many Listening parts and questions? Test facts	6 parts, 38 scored questions 46 to 55 minutes.
How many Reading parts and questions? Test facts	4 parts, 38 scored questions 43 to 56 minutes.
How long is the Writing test? Test facts	53 minutes: Task 1 27 minutes, Task 2 26 minutes 150 to 200 words each.
How long is the Speaking test? Test facts	About 15 minutes, 8 tasks The last part of the test.
How many times does a recording play? Test facts	Once The questions come after it.
Is there a penalty for a wrong answer? Test facts	No Never leave a blank.

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Flash cards 21: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

What are unscored items? Test facts	Extra test questions that do not count They look the same, so answer every question fully.
The four rating areas? Test facts	Content and coherence; vocabulary; readability or listenability; task fulfillment Used for Writing and Speaking.
Score scale? Test facts	CELPIP levels 0 to 12 Levels 3 to 12 match the same CLB level.
CELPIP level 2 equals? Test facts	CLB 1 and 2 Levels 0 and 1: not enough information to assess.
How long are scores valid? Test facts	Two years from the date the score report is issued Check your program's own rules.
When should you arrive? Test facts	45 minutes before your start time Check-in closes 15 minutes before.
Speaking tasks with 90 seconds to speak? Test facts	Task 1 Giving Advice and Task 7 Expressing Opinions All others: 60 seconds.
Speaking tasks with 60 seconds to prepare? Test facts	Task 6, and Task 5 Part 2 Task 5 Part 1: 60 seconds to choose, no speaking.

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Flash cards 22: cut along the dashed lines, then fold each strip down the middle

Speaking Task 5 in one line? Test facts	Choose an option, then persuade someone that it is better than the new option they propose Compare, do not only describe.
Reading Part 3 answer E means? Test facts	Not given in any paragraph Four paragraphs, A to D.
Listening Part 1 has how many sections? Test facts	Three, with 2 or 3 questions after each 8 questions in all.
Which Listening part is a video in the real test? Test facts	Part 5: Listening to a Discussion Three people planning together.
Is there a spell check in Writing? Test facts	Yes, and a word counter It will not catch every mistake: reread.

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