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# Cambridge English Proficiency

**SPEAKING**

**& LISTENING**

# INTRODUCTION

**CPE SPEAKING & LISTENING** for the revised CPE examination, has been designed to cater to the needs of CPE candidates. The aim of the book is to develop candidates' speaking and listening skills, enabling them to approach the new Cambridge Proficiency examination with confidence.

**CPE SPEAKING & LISTENING** covers interview topics specified by UCLES. Topics are explored from a variety of interesting and thought-provoking angles, preparing candidates for many possible approaches to a theme.

**Key features are:**

## **SPEAKING**

- warm-up questions
- stimulating approach to topics
- language boxes giving appropriate phraseology
- variety of tasks, ensuring all-round preparation
- extensive practice in CPE format

## **LISTENING**

- pre-listening tasks for Parts 2, 3 and 4
- wide range of topics
- extensive practice in CPE format
- variety of accents

**CPE SPEAKING & LISTENING** will not only familiarise candidates with the revised CPE examination but will also help them improve their fluency and develop their skills in understanding advanced English in realistic situations.

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**PAPER 4 - LISTENING****General description**

<b>FORMAT</b>	The paper contains four parts. Each part contains a recorded text or texts and corresponding comprehension tasks. Each part is heard twice.
<b>TIMING</b>	Approximately 40 minutes
<b>NO. OF PARTS</b>	4
<b>NO. OF QUESTIONS</b>	30

**Structure and tasks****PART 1**

<b>TASK TYPE</b>	Multiple choice
<b>FOCUS</b>	The focus is on identifying speaker feeling, attitude, opinion, purpose; agreement between speakers; course of action; gist; and detail.
<b>FORMAT</b>	Three short, unrelated texts lasting approximately 1 minute each, consisting of either monologues or exchanges between interacting speakers. There are two multiple-choice questions on each extract.
<b>NO. OF QS</b>	6

**PART 2**

<b>TASK TYPE</b>	Sentence completion
<b>FOCUS</b>	The focus is on identifying specific information and stated opinion.
<b>FORMAT</b>	A monologue (which may be introduced by a presenter) lasting 3-4 minutes. Candidates are required to complete the sentence with information heard on the recording.
<b>NO. OF QS</b>	9

**PART 3**

<b>TASK TYPE</b>	Multiple choice
<b>FOCUS</b>	The focus is on identifying attitude and opinion; gist, detail and inference.
<b>FORMAT</b>	An interview or a conversation between two or more speakers of approximately 4 minutes. There are five 4-option multiple-choice questions.
<b>NO. OF QS</b>	5

**PART 4**

<b>TASK TYPE</b>	Multiple matching
<b>FOCUS</b>	The focus is on identifying gist; attitude; main points; and interpreting context.
<b>FORMAT</b>	Five short, themed monologues of approximately 30 seconds each. There are two tasks. Each task contains five questions and requires selection of the correct option from a list of eight.
<b>NO. OF QS</b>	10