



CELTA Pre-Interview Task

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TASK 1: GRAMMAR

1. Read the following passage and find an example of each of the following:

Adjective	_____	Adverb	_____
Noun	_____	Pronoun	_____
Preposition	_____	Definite article	_____

“Contrary to popular belief, it is not true that you have to be an extrovert to be a good language teacher. Some good teachers are very low-key in the classroom, while other teachers, both lively and amusing, survive only as entertainers. Although some teachers develop a special classroom manner, in the main your style of teaching will depend on the sort of teacher you are”.

Teaching Practice Handbook R Gower & S Walters

2. Name the tenses or language items that are underlined and explain the difference in meaning:

a) I think you are silly i _____

b) I think you are being silly. _____

a) I used to drive. _____

b) I usually drive. _____

c) I'm used to driving. _____



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a) I cooked dinner when John arrived.

b) I was cooking dinner when John arrived.

c) I had cooked dinner when John arrived.

TASK 2: ROLES & EXPECTATIONS

1. Teaching 'English as a foreign language' is different from teaching a foreign language in a state school because

2. In my opinion the three most important qualities, which make a good teacher, are:

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

3. Learning to teach English on the CELTA programme will, I think, be like:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parachute jumping | <input type="checkbox"/> Following a recipe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learning to drive | <input type="checkbox"/> Learning your mother tongue |

Because



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Signed _____

Date _____

Please answer all questions and send the completed task with your application.



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TASK 3: WRITING TASK

Write 300 – 400 words on the following:

Reflect on your own learning experiences. Choose an example of a good and a bad learning experience and describe them. What made each one good or bad? What do you conclude from these experiences?



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TASK 4: TEXT-EDITING TASK

For homework, a student wrote this letter of introduction to his teacher. It has 32 mistakes which need correcting. As an example, the first 2 have been corrected for you. Find and circle the other 30 mistakes in the same way, and write the correct form in the margin.

Jacques Boff
34 Duke Street
Brighton BN1 1BS
21 september 2000

1 - September

2 - name's Dear Anna

3 - My names' Jacques and I'm studing with you in your saturday morning class from
4 - 9.30 to 12.30. I'm writing this letter to introduce myself to you and to tell you why
5 - am I here in Brighton learning English?

6 - As you already know (from my accent if nothing more!), I was born near to
7 - Toulouse in southern France, although actually, I feel as if I'm from Nice as I've
8 - been living there since I was a child. I'm twenty-four years old, single and I haven't
9 - got any children. I still live with my parents in a nice flat in the city centre, about
10 - ten minutes from the main square, station and market area. It's a cosmopolitan,
11 - lively, large city with plenty to do and lots of green areas where we can relax, get
12 - some fresh air and meet with our friends. My father's now retired but my mother
13 - and grandmother both continues to work part-time in the nearby hospital.

14 - I'm a Taxi-driver and am learning English for my job. I speak a little of Italian, and
15 - French of course, but in my work I've to talk to a lot of tourists with much different
16 - accents, so during this course, I'd like lots of speaking and listening practice
17 - please. I tryed to learn English at school. Despite taking classes twice a week, I
18 - didn't manage to speak anything. I hope I'm more lucky this time.

19 - I've been in Brighton for three months now and feel as if I'm making a reasonable
20 - progress, but my main problem is being able to join into a conversation with native
21 - speakers. They speak so quickly! All the word seem to run together. Why are you
22 - British so hard to understand. I never have this problem in my language!

23 - So far, I'm really enjoying life in Brighton. It's so much fun! I love coming to your
24 - classes too and thought you're an extremely excellent teacher. You're funny, you
25 - explain very well and obviously want us to succeed. I know I don't usually do the
26 - homework, not because I don't like the exersises you give us or because I don't
27 - think their necessary, but because I'm very busy as I have to work at Macdonalds
28 - everyday to pay for my stay here. Sorry! I'll try doing more from now on.

29 - Anyway, that's all I have time enough for now. Thanks for helping me with my
writing. Looking forward to meeting you again in our next class.

30 -
31 - All the best

32 - *Jacques Boff*