

## LISTENING – what to expect during the Listening test



The CELBAN Listening test takes about 45 minutes. There are five video scenarios in various settings including hospital, home, clinic, and medical office and four audio scenarios (phone calls and shift-to-shift reports). These scenarios include interactions between nurses and patients, family members, and other professionals. Listening scenarios are **played only one** time. You will be given time *before* viewing or listening to the scenarios to pre-read the questions. Pre-reading means you can read ahead of viewing. This is very important.

### Listen, read and write at the same time

You will need to listen to audio, or view video, read the questions, and select your answers all at the same time. This might be challenging.

Mark answers in your answer booklet as soon as you hear the information you need. Do not wait until the end of the section to mark down your answers.

Practice before the test to find out what strategies work best for you

- Listen to audio/video; occasionally look at the video.
- Focus more on reading and answering the questions.

At the end of each part, you will be given a short time to review your answers.

### Additional Strategies to develop listening skills

**Observe and listen** to language in different, authentic contexts.

**Identify** relevant audio and video sources to practice listening.

Use accessible videos and podcasts to **create** your own practice questions, and **exchange** them with a study group.

**Practice** listening, or viewing, and answering questions at the same time.

**Listen** to current reports and podcasts about health topics. **Discuss** the report's significance. **Summarize** the main points. Include some important details.

**Listen** to audio instructions one time. **Repeat** back to someone else.