CDL English proficiency test: practice sheet

Practice these out loud, in English. This is a practice sheet from Truck Driver English, not an official FMCSA list: FMCSA has not published one.

Step 1: the officer's questions (sample stop)

1 **Good morning. Can I see your license, please?**
Good morning, officer. Here is my CDL.
ES: ¿Puedo ver su licencia de conducir, por favor?
PA: ਕੀ ਮੈਂ ਤੁਹਾਡਾ ਡਰਾਈਵਿੰਗ ਲਾਇਸੈਂਸ ਦੇਖ ਸਕਦਾ ਹਾਂ?

2 **Do you have your medical card?**
Yes. Here is my medical card. It is good until March 2027.
ES: ¿Tiene su tarjeta médica con usted?
PA: ਕੀ ਤੁਹਾਡਾ ਮੈਡੀਕਲ ਕਾਰਡ ਇਸ ਵੇਲੇ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਕੋਲ ਹੈ?

3 **Where are you coming from?**
I am coming from Dallas, Texas. I picked up at a warehouse there.
ES: ¿De dónde viene?
PA: ਤੁਸੀਂ ਕਿੱਥੋਂ ਆ ਰਹੇ ਹੋ?

4 **Where are you going?**
I am going to Memphis, Tennessee. I deliver tomorrow morning.
ES: ¿A dónde va?
PA: ਤੁਸੀਂ ਕਿੱਥੇ ਜਾ ਰਹੇ ਹੋ?

5 **What are you hauling? How heavy is it?**
Paper products. About 38,000 pounds. It is on my bill of lading.
ES: ¿Qué está transportando? ¿Cuánto pesa su carga?
PA: ਤੁਸੀਂ ਕੀ ਲੈ ਕੇ ਜਾ ਰਹੇ ਹੋ? ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਲੋਡ ਦਾ ਭਾਰ ਕਿੰਨਾ ਹੈ?

6 **When did you start driving today? Show me your logs.**
I started at 6 a.m. Here are my logs on the ELD.
ES: ¿A qué hora empezó a manejar hoy? ¿Puedo ver sus bitácoras?
PA: ਅੱਜ ਤੁਸੀਂ ਕਿੰਨੇ ਵਜੇ ਡਰਾਈਵਿੰਗ ਸ਼ੁਰੂ ਕੀਤੀ? ਕੀ ਮੈਂ ਤੁਹਾਡੇ ਲੌਗ ਦੇਖ ਸਕਦਾ ਹਾਂ?

7 **Who do you drive for?**
I drive for Blue Mesa Trucking. I am a company driver.
ES: ¿Para quién maneja?
PA: ਤੁਸੀਂ ਕਿਸ ਲਈ ਟਰੱਕ ਚਲਾਉਂਦੇ ਹੋ?

If you do not understand, say: "Sorry, can you say that again?" "Can you speak slower, please?" "Do you mean the bill of lading?"

Step 2: explain the road signs

Name the sign, say what it means, say what you do. In Oregon DOT's guidance the officer shows 4 signs and you must explain at least 3.



Stop
This is a stop sign. I must stop completely and look before I go.



Truck Route
Truck route. Trucks should use this road.



Weight Limit 10 Tons
Weight limit 10 tons. My truck is too heavy for this road or bridge.



Low Clearance 12 ft 6 in
Low clearance. The bridge is 12 feet 6 inches. My trailer is 13 feet 6, so I cannot go.

At the check you cannot use

- An interpreter, a translation app or your phone
- Cue cards or I-Speak cards
- Help from a co-driver or a passenger

Sources: 49 CFR 391.11(b)(2); FMCSA ELP roadside FAQs (6 Oct 2026); FMCSA carrier ELP FAQ (22 May 2025); Oregon DOT ELP Safety Notice (24 Jun 2025). Updated 2026-11-02.
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