

NAATI CCL Spanish Vocabulary

Vocabulario para el examen NAATI CCL

100 useful terms, bilingual examples and a worked dialogue

Build vocabulary for everyday Australian service conversations. Learn each term in context, then practise transferring the whole meaning between English and your language.

A short practice routine

1. Learn the term in both languages, then cover one version and recall it aloud.
2. Interpret the complete example, including numbers, negatives and conditions.
3. Practise the two worked turns at the end before comparing the possible answers.

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Use the native script as your reference. These guides focus on meaning in context; equivalent natural phrasing can also be appropriate.

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TOPIC 01 / 10 TERMS

Appointments and healthcare access

Arrange a visit, explain what you need and understand the next step.

TERM / SPANISH	EXAMPLE IN CONTEXT
Appointment cita	I need an appointment on Monday. Necesito una cita para el lunes. Note: Here this means a booked visit, not appointment to a job or post.
General practitioner (GP) médico de cabecera (GP)	My GP can refer me to a specialist. Mi médico de cabecera puede derivarme a un especialista. Note: A GP is a general medical practitioner; keep the familiar abbreviation when it is clear in context.
Referral letter carta de derivación	Please bring the referral letter. Por favor, traiga la carta de derivación. Note: In this context, a letter directing a patient to another clinician or service.
Prescription receta médica	I need a prescription for this medicine. Necesito una receta para este medicamento.
Medical certificate certificado médico	Please give me a medical certificate. Por favor, deme un certificado médico.
Specialist especialista	I would like to see a specialist. Me gustaría consultar a un especialista.
Bulk billing facturación directa a Medicare (bulk billing)	Does this clinic offer bulk billing? ¿Esta clínica ofrece facturación directa a Medicare sin cobrar al paciente por ese servicio? Note: For an eligible Medicare service, the provider accepts the Medicare benefit as full payment. Do not imply every service is covered.
Emergency emergencia	This is an emergency. Esto es una emergencia.
Consultation consulta	How much does the consultation cost? ¿Cuánto cuesta la consulta?
Waiting list lista de espera	Can you put my name on the waiting list? ¿Puede poner mi nombre en la lista de espera?

TOPIC 02 / 10 TERMS

Symptoms, tests and treatment

Preserve symptoms, quantities and instructions without adding medical advice.

TERM / SPANISH	EXAMPLE IN CONTEXT
Symptoms síntomas	I have had these symptoms for two days. Tengo estos síntomas desde hace dos días.
Dosage dosis y pauta de administración	Please confirm the dosage with the pharmacist. Por favor, confirme la dosis y la pauta con el farmacéutico. Note: Dosage can include how much and how often; preserve both when the speaker gives them.
Side effects efectos secundarios	What are the possible side effects? ¿Cuáles son los posibles efectos secundarios?
Allergy alergia	I have an allergy to nuts. Tengo alergia a los frutos secos.
Blood test análisis de sangre	When is my blood test? ¿Cuándo es mi análisis de sangre?
Blood pressure presión arterial	Please check my blood pressure. Por favor, compruebe mi presión arterial.
Treatment tratamiento	The doctor will explain the treatment options. El médico explicará las opciones de tratamiento.
Chronic condition enfermedad crónica	I need support for a chronic condition. Necesito apoyo para una enfermedad crónica. Note: Chronic describes duration; it does not automatically mean severe.
Fasting ayuno	Is fasting required before this test? ¿Es necesario ayunar antes de esta prueba? Note: Interpret the instructions given; do not invent a fasting period or restrictions.
Follow-up appointment cita de seguimiento	I need a follow-up appointment in three months. Necesito una cita de seguimiento dentro de tres meses.

TOPIC 03 / 10 TERMS

Housing and repairs

Distinguish rent, bond, quotes and written notices in everyday housing conversations.

TERM / SPANISH	EXAMPLE IN CONTEXT
Tenant inquilino/a	The tenant has reported a water leak. La persona que alquila la vivienda ha informado de una fuga de agua. Note: Choose a form appropriate to the speaker and context; do not infer gender from the English word alone.
Landlord arrendador/a	Please contact the landlord. Por favor, contacte con quien arrienda la vivienda.
Rental agreement contrato de alquiler	Please read the rental agreement before signing. Por favor, lea el contrato de alquiler antes de firmarlo.
Rental bond fianza de alquiler	Is the rental bond refundable? ¿Se puede recuperar la fianza de alquiler? Note: A security deposit connected to a tenancy, not a fine or an extra rent payment.
Rent arrears alquiler atrasado	I need to discuss my rent arrears. Necesito hablar sobre el alquiler que tengo pendiente de pago.
Written notice aviso por escrito	Please send the notice in writing. Por favor, envíe el aviso por escrito.
Property inspection inspección de la vivienda	When is the property inspection? ¿Cuándo es la inspección de la vivienda?
Repairs reparaciones	The repairs will start on Monday. Las reparaciones comenzarán el lunes.
Plumber fontanero/a; plomero/a	We need a plumber to repair this pipe. Necesitamos un profesional de fontanería para reparar esta tubería.
Written quote presupuesto por escrito	Please include the materials in the written quote. Por favor, incluya los materiales en el presupuesto por escrito. Note: Here a quote states the proposed price of work, not a quotation from a book.

TOPIC 04 / 10 TERMS

Banking and payments

Listen carefully for amounts, dates, fees and repayment conditions.

TERM / SPANISH	EXAMPLE IN CONTEXT
Bank account cuenta bancaria	I would like to open a bank account. Me gustaría abrir una cuenta bancaria.
Bank statement extracto bancario; estado de cuenta	Please send my latest bank statement. Por favor, envíe mi último extracto bancario.
Interest rate tasa de interés	What is the interest rate? ¿Cuál es la tasa de interés?
Repayment cuota de devolución del préstamo	When is the next repayment due? ¿Cuándo vence la próxima cuota del préstamo?
Deposit depósito bancario	I would like to deposit \$100 into my bank account. Me gustaría depositar 100 dólares en mi cuenta bancaria. Note: A bank deposit and an advance payment to a builder have different meanings. Choose the wording that matches the situation.
Invoice factura	Please send the invoice by email. Por favor, envíe la factura por correo electrónico. Note: A request for payment; a receipt confirms that a payment was received.
Due date fecha de vencimiento	What is the due date for this bill? ¿Cuál es la fecha de vencimiento de esta factura?
Debt deuda	I need help managing my debt. Necesito ayuda para gestionar mi deuda.
Refund reembolso	I would like to request a full refund. Me gustaría solicitar un reembolso completo.
Budget presupuesto	We need a budget for our monthly expenses. Necesitamos un presupuesto para nuestros gastos mensuales. Note: Use a familiar local term for a spending plan; preserve the intended meaning.

TOPIC 05 / 10 TERMS

Insurance and consumer matters

Use the insurance or shopping context to choose the right meaning.

TERM / SPANISH	EXAMPLE IN CONTEXT
Insurance premium prima del seguro	What is the annual insurance premium? ¿Cuál es la prima anual del seguro?
Insurance excess franquicia; deductible	My insurance excess is \$600. La franquicia de mi seguro es de 600 dólares. Note: The policyholder's contribution towards a claim, as set by the policy; simply saying extra amount can be misleading.
Insurance claim reclamación al seguro	How do I make an insurance claim? ¿Cómo presento una reclamación al seguro?
Policy number número de póliza	Please give me your policy number. Por favor, deme su número de póliza.
Insurance cover cobertura del seguro	Does my insurance cover flood damage? ¿Mi seguro cubre los daños por inundación?
Warranty period período de garantía	What is the warranty period? ¿Cuál es el período de garantía?
Receipt recibo	Please keep the receipt. Por favor, conserve el recibo.
Faulty defectuoso/a	This laptop is faulty. Este ordenador portátil está defectuoso.
Replacement sustitución; reemplazo	I would prefer a replacement. Preferiría una sustitución.
Proof of purchase comprobante de compra	Do you have proof of purchase? ¿Tiene un comprobante de compra?

TOPIC 06 / 10 TERMS

Employment and pay

Keep working hours, employment arrangements and entitlements distinct.

TERM / SPANISH	EXAMPLE IN CONTEXT
Job vacancy puesto vacante	Are there any job vacancies? ¿Hay algún puesto vacante?
Casual employee empleado/a eventual (casual)	I work as a casual employee. Trabajo en un empleo eventual. Note: Casual is an employment arrangement; do not automatically replace it with part-time or fixed-term.
Shift work trabajo por turnos	Does this role involve shift work? ¿Este puesto implica trabajar por turnos?
Roster cuadrante de turnos	Please send me the work roster. Por favor, envíeme el cuadrante de turnos de trabajo.
Payslip recibo de sueldo; nómina	Please bring your last three payslips. Por favor, traiga sus últimos tres recibos de sueldo.
Annual leave vacaciones anuales	I would like two weeks of annual leave. Me gustaría tomar dos semanas de vacaciones anuales.
Paid sick leave licencia remunerada por enfermedad	Does this job include paid sick leave? ¿Este empleo incluye licencia remunerada por enfermedad? Note: This is a practice question, not a statement that every worker has the same entitlement.
Overtime pay pago de horas extraordinarias	How is overtime pay calculated? ¿Cómo se calcula el pago de las horas extraordinarias?
Superannuation aportaciones al fondo de jubilación (superannuation)	Which fund receives my superannuation contributions? ¿Qué fondo recibe mis aportaciones de superannuation? Note: Australia's retirement-savings system; do not treat it as ordinary take-home pay.
Minimum wage salario mínimo	What is the minimum wage for this role? ¿Cuál es el salario mínimo para este puesto?

TOPIC 07 / 10 TERMS

Education and learning support

Discuss enrolment, course requirements and support without losing qualifications.

TERM / SPANISH	EXAMPLE IN CONTEXT
Enrolment matriculación	When does school enrolment open? ¿Cuándo se abre la matriculación escolar?
Tuition fee cuota de matrícula	Does the tuition fee include the textbooks? ¿La cuota de matrícula incluye los libros de texto?
Per term por período lectivo	Is this fee charged per term? ¿Esta cuota se cobra por período lectivo? Note: Check whether term refers to a school term or another defined period.
Prerequisite requisito previo	Is this subject a prerequisite for admission? ¿Esta asignatura es un requisito previo para la admisión?
Assessment result resultado de la evaluación	When will the assessment results be available? ¿Cuándo estarán disponibles los resultados de la evaluación?
Progress report informe de progreso	Please send my child's progress report. Por favor, envíe el informe de progreso de mi hijo o hija.
Subject selection selección de asignaturas	Can you help me with subject selection? ¿Puede ayudarme con la selección de asignaturas?
Learning support apoyo al aprendizaje	What learning support is available? ¿Qué apoyo al aprendizaje hay disponible?
School counsellor orientador/a escolar	May I speak to the school counsellor? ¿Puedo hablar con la persona responsable de la orientación escolar?
Guardian tutor/a legal	Please give the legal guardian's contact details. Por favor, facilite los datos de contacto del tutor legal.

TOPIC 08 / 10 TERMS

Identity, applications and government services

Preserve document names and distinguish eligibility from approval.

TERM / SPANISH	EXAMPLE IN CONTEXT
Eligibility cumplimiento de los requisitos	We need to check your eligibility. Necesitamos comprobar si cumple los requisitos. Note: Meeting eligibility conditions does not necessarily mean an application is already approved.
Application form formulario de solicitud	Please complete the application form. Por favor, complete el formulario de solicitud.
Proof of address comprobante de domicilio	Which documents are accepted as proof of address? ¿Qué documentos se aceptan como comprobante de domicilio?
Photo identification documento de identidad con fotografía	Please bring photo identification. Por favor, traiga un documento de identidad con fotografía.
Birth certificate certificado de nacimiento	Please bring your birth certificate. Por favor, traiga su certificado de nacimiento.
Passport pasaporte	My passport expires next month. Mi pasaporte caduca el mes que viene.
Tax file number (TFN) número de identificación fiscal australiano (TFN)	Where can I find my tax file number? ¿Dónde puedo encontrar mi número de identificación fiscal australiano? Note: Keep the name and abbreviation identifiable; do not substitute a different identity number.
Permanent resident residente permanente	What documents does a permanent resident need? ¿Qué documentos necesita una persona con residencia permanente? Note: A permanent resident and a citizen are not the same status.
Visa status situación del visado	Please confirm your current visa status. Por favor, confirme su situación actual respecto al visado.
Centrelink Centrelink	I need to contact Centrelink about my application. Necesito contactar con Centrelink sobre mi solicitud. Note: This is a service name; keep it recognisable.

TOPIC 09 / 10 TERMS

Legal matters and complaints

Keep requests, obligations, evidence and outcomes precise.

TERM / SPANISH	EXAMPLE IN CONTEXT
Legal advice asesoramiento jurídico	I would like to get legal advice. Me gustaría recibir asesoramiento jurídico.
Legal aid asistencia jurídica	How do I apply for legal aid? ¿Cómo solicito asistencia jurídica? Note: The example asks about access; it does not promise eligibility or free representation.
Evidence pruebas	Please keep the photographs as evidence. Por favor, conserve las fotografías como pruebas.
Contract contrato	Please read the contract before signing. Por favor, lea el contrato antes de firmarlo.
Terms and conditions términos y condiciones	Please explain the terms and conditions. Por favor, explique los términos y condiciones.
Fine multa	When must I pay the fine? ¿Cuándo debo pagar la multa?
Compensation indemnización	Can I apply for compensation? ¿Puedo solicitar una indemnización?
Lodge a complaint presentar una reclamación	I would like to lodge a complaint. Me gustaría presentar una reclamación.
Court tribunal	What time must I attend court? ¿A qué hora debo comparecer ante el tribunal?
Appeal recurrir; apelar	How can I appeal this decision? ¿Cómo puedo recurrir esta decisión? Note: In a legal context, a request to review a decision; the ordinary verb appeal may have another meaning.

TOPIC 10 / 10 TERMS

Community support and useful instructions

Practise everyday service language, time expressions and clarification requests.

TERM / SPANISH	EXAMPLE IN CONTEXT
Community centre centro comunitario	Where is the nearest community centre? ¿Dónde está el centro comunitario más cercano?
Social worker trabajador/a social	I would like to speak to a social worker. Me gustaría hablar con un profesional del trabajo social.
Concession card tarjeta de descuentos o concesiones	Please bring your concession card. Por favor, traiga su tarjeta de descuentos o concesiones. Note: A card used to establish access to particular concessions; the conditions depend on the card.
Rent assistance ayuda para el alquiler (Rent Assistance)	How do I apply for Rent Assistance? ¿Cómo solicito Rent Assistance, la ayuda para el alquiler?
Carer allowance subsidio para cuidadores (Carer Allowance)	How do I apply for Carer Allowance? ¿Cómo solicito Carer Allowance, el subsidio para cuidadores? Note: Carer Allowance and Carer Payment are different payment names; preserve the distinction if it matters in the dialogue.
Interpreter intérprete	I need an interpreter for the appointment. Necesito un intérprete para la cita. Note: An interpreter works with spoken communication; a translator may work with written text.
Deadline fecha límite	What is the deadline for the application? ¿Cuál es la fecha límite para presentar la solicitud?
Fortnight dos semanas; catorce días	The next payment is in a fortnight. El próximo pago es dentro de dos semanas. Note: A fortnight means two weeks; preserve the period when discussing pay or rent.
Renew renovar	How do I renew this permit? ¿Cómo renuevo este permiso?
Clarify aclarar	Could you clarify which documents I need? ¿Podría aclarar qué documentos necesito?

MEANING COMES FIRST

Beyond individual words

Register and regional vocabulary

The examples use polite usted forms. Fontanero/plomero, extracto/estado de cuenta and franquicia/deducible vary by region; choose a familiar natural term and keep the intended sense. Grammatical masculine forms can be generic; do not invent a person's gender.

Numbers, time and negatives

Fortnight means exactly two weeks or fourteen days; quincena often means fifteen days and is not an exact substitute. Preserve amounts, time limits, questions, negatives and words such as can, may and must.

Australian terms and complete meaning

Keep recognisable names such as Medicare, Centrelink and TFN with a short explanation when needed. Casual employment is not simply part-time work. Preserve the insurance deductible, rental security bond and eligibility meanings; eligibility does not mean approval.

Use examples as practice

A correct individual word is not enough. Preserve who must act, what happened, the amount, the time, and qualifications such as may, must and only if.

The worked answers are possible interpretations. Equivalent natural wording can convey the same meaning. No official mark or pass prediction is assigned.

Read the official language guidance

<https://www.naati.com.au/resources/language-policy-ccl/>

WORKED EXERCISE / TURN 6

Selling a House: Spanish to English

A landlord speaks with a real estate agent about selling a rental house. They discuss market value, documents, fees, repairs, and the sale process.

From AceCCL dialogue dlG-es-2126. Interpret aloud before reading the possible answer.

Source

El viernes por la mañana está bien. ¿Necesito preparar algún documento antes de que venga? Puedo dejar copias en la mesa de la cocina.

One possible interpretation

Friday morning is fine. Do I need to prepare any documents before you come? I can leave copies on the kitchen table.

Meaning to preserve

- Friday morning is acceptable.
- Ask whether any documents need to be prepared before the visit.
- Offer to leave copies on the kitchen table.

Watch out for

Keep the question and the offer separate. “Puedo” means can, not must; the table is in the kitchen.

A compact note-taking cue

Fri AM ✓ / docs before visit? / copies → kitchen table

Your notes

WORKED EXERCISE / TURN 7

Selling a House: English to Spanish

A landlord speaks with a real estate agent about selling a rental house. They discuss market value, documents, fees, repairs, and the sale process.

From AceCCL dialogue dlG-es-2126. Interpret aloud before reading the possible answer.

Source

Please prepare the council rates notice, your mortgage details, the lease agreement, and any repair receipts. These help buyers feel confident and help the conveyancer later.

One possible interpretation

Por favor, prepare el aviso de tasas municipales, los datos de su hipoteca, el contrato de alquiler y cualquier recibo de reparaciones. Estos documentos ayudan a que los compradores se sientan seguros y ayudarán más adelante al profesional que tramita la transmisión de la propiedad.

Meaning to preserve

- Prepare the council rates notice and mortgage details.
- Also prepare the lease agreement and any repair receipts.
- The documents help buyers feel confident.
- They help the conveyancer later.

Watch out for

Keep all four documents. A conveyancer handles the legal transfer of property; do not reduce this role to the selling agent.

A compact note-taking cue

rates + mortgage + lease + repair receipts / buyer confidence / conveyancer later

Your notes

KEEP PRACTISING

From vocabulary to a full dialogue

Use the terms in complete sentences. Work in both directions, take short notes, then compare your interpretation with the meaning the speaker expressed.

Official information can change. Use the references below for current test guidance and the meaning of Australian service terms.

Official references

NAATI CCL language policy

<https://www.naati.com.au/resources/language-policy-ccl/>

NAATI CCL test and assessment requirements

<https://www.naati.com.au/migration-assessments/ccl/>

NAATI CCL candidate instructions

<https://www.naati.com.au/resources/candidate-instructions-ccl/>

Services Australia: bulk billing terminology

<https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/about-bulk-billing-mbs-claims>

Services Australia: Carer Allowance and Carer Payment

<https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/carers-allowance>

ASIC Moneysmart: insurance claims and excess

<https://moneysmart.gov.au/car-insurance/claiming-on-your-car-insurance>

Study note

Examples are fictional practice conversations, not advice about medical care, legal rights, visa eligibility or benefit entitlements. Preserve the speaker's meaning and check the context of each term.

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