

CENSUS ROLEPLAY SCRIPT



Enumerator: Hello! My name is _____. I'm an enumerator with Statistics Canada, which means I help people complete their census questionnaires if they haven't done so online. I'm here to assist you today.

Resident: Hello! Sure, that's fine.

Enumerator: Thank you. Before we begin, I want to let you know that all the information you provide is confidential and protected by law. It will only be used for statistical purposes.

Resident: I understand.

Enumerator: Great. Let's start: can I confirm the address for this dwelling?

Resident: The address is [insert pretend address].

Enumerator: Including yourself, how many people were living at this address on May 12, 2026?

Resident: There were [insert number] people living here on May 12, 2026.

Enumerator: Thank you. May I have your full name for the questionnaire? Let's start with your family name (last name).

Resident: My family name is [insert name].

Enumerator: And your given name (first name)?

Resident: My given name is [insert name].

Enumerator: Thank you. What is your date of birth?

Resident: [Insert pretend birth date].

Enumerator: And how old were you on May 12, 2026?

Resident: I was [insert age].

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Enumerator: What was your sex at birth? The options are “male” or “female”.

Resident: I am [insert answer].

Enumerator: Are you a Canadian citizen? The options are “Yes, a Canadian citizen by birth”, “Yes, a Canadian citizen by naturalization” or “No, not a Canadian citizen”. “Canadian citizenship by naturalization” refers to an immigrant who was granted Canadian citizenship under the Citizenship Act.

Resident: [insert answer].

Enumerator: Can you speak English or French well enough to conduct a conversation? The options are “English only”, “French only”, “Both English and French”, or “Neither English nor French”.

Resident: I speak [insert answer].

Enumerator: And what is the language you first learned at home during childhood and still understand? The options are “English”, “French”, or specify another language.

Resident: [insert answer].

Enumerator: Wonderful—thank you for your participation!

Now, switch roles and repeat!