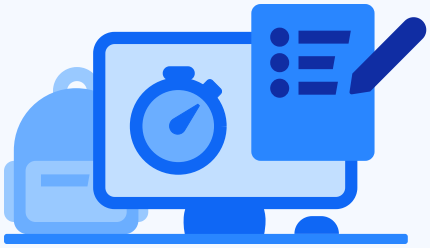
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GL Grammar 11+: English Paper



About this test

This is a practice paper designed to familiarise your child with the types of questions they will see in a GL Grammar 11+: English Paper exam.

What you'll need

- Printed practice paper and answer sheet
- Pencil
- Rubber
- Timer

Taking the test

Your child should mark their answers on the answer sheet, not in the question paper. This is good practice for the real exam which will have a separate answer sheet like this.

On the answer sheet, your child should record their answers by drawing a clear line through the answer box with a pencil. Mistakes should be rubbed out and not crossed out.

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Read the following carefully:

1. This test has been designed to help you practise the types of questions you will see in a GL Grammar 11+: English Paper exam.
2. You have **50 minutes** to complete this paper.
3. Read each question carefully before moving onto the next one.
4. Answers should be marked on the **answer sheets** provided. If you make a mistake, rub it out as completely as you can and mark your new answer.
5. As this is a reading test, you must use the information in the texts to help you answer the questions. When a question includes a line reference, you should refer to the text on that line to help you with your answer.
6. You may find some of the questions difficult. If you cannot do a question, **do not waste time on it but go on to the next**. If you are not sure of an answer, choose the one you think is best.
7. Work as quickly and as carefully as you can.

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Read the following passage carefully and then answer the questions below.

Other Side of the Screen

A white light shone into Jamie's eyelids. It felt different from the warm rays that usually illuminated his curtains, announcing daybreak. He stretched, with the sensation that he was floating, and opened his eyes. It took a moment to come to terms with what he was seeing.

"Guys, wake up!" Jamie shouted, his voice echoing in the spacious room. His best friends, still half-asleep, began to stir.

Ravi was the first to sit up, his hair a bird's nest. "What's going on?" he asked, yawning. One by one, each of them began to notice their surroundings. The walls were a blinding yellow, and the floor was covered in springy material, like a giant trampoline.

"Is this...?" Ethan began, his eyes wide as saucers. "Are we in the game?"

"No way," said Ravi assuredly. "This has to be a dream."

Jamie pinched him. "Ow! Nope, not a dream."

“No way, guys,” said Jamie, shaking his head. “Castle Clash is just a TV show. Let’s not get carried away. Someone will be playing a trick on us, that’s all.”

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Ethan gasped. “If we are in the castle, we get to compete for the prize! The chest of golden coins.”

“I fancy getting my hands on some treasure,” grinned Ravi.

Above the only door in the room, a neon sign winked suggestively: "Level One."

“Come on Jamie,” said Ethan. “We’ve spent hours watching this show. It’s our chance to play!”

"Well, there's only one way to find out what's going on," Jamie said, trying to keep his voice steady. "Let's go."

The door swung open and the obstacle they faced made their jaws drop. "This is so cool!" Ravi shouted, impulsively running ahead. After some initial hesitation, the others followed. The trio approached a series of enormous foam blocks floating on a pool of what looked like bright pink slime. As the friends stepped onto the first platform, it began to creak and wobble, thrusting the boys back and forth like sailors on a stormy sea.

Jamie made it across the lake of pink slime first, with surprising agility that belied his small frame. Ravi followed, panting and laughing as he leapt from block to block. Ethan took a running start and barely made the final jump, the toes of his shoes coated in the sticky slime.

Ravi high-fived them as reached the other side. “I wonder what happens next–”

He was cut off by a voice reverberating around them like an echo.

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“Good day, challengers.” The voice was rich, like the consistency of syrup. “The lake of slime did not claim you… this time. But let’s see how you deal with…this!”

Suddenly, the ground underneath them transformed into a giant slide. Whoosh! They skidded down a grassy bank and came to a stop in front of a whirring structure, resembling a colossal machine full of levers, cranks and ladders. A tiny silver ball was idling at the bottom, ready to be catapulted through the maze of gadgets through the golden gate at the top.

"No way!" Ethan exclaimed, unable to contain his amazement. "It's the Human Pinball challenge!"

They approached the entrance, where a huge flipper mechanism awaited.

Ravi stepped forward. "I'll go! Watch me nail this!"

Jamie felt a shiver run down his spine. "Wait, Ravi. We don't know if it's safe."

"Of course it's safe. It's just like the show. Come on!" Ravi called back, already climbing onto the main flipper. With a loud thunk, it launched him into the air. He whooped with joy as he bounced off a series of levers, shooting up ramps and spiralling down runways. Ravi tumbled out of the exit, extending a thumbs up into the air. Jamie and Ethan followed, their initial trepidation giving way to the brief thrill of ricocheting to and fro.

“That was epic,” said Ethan.

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"Yeah," Jamie agreed. "But we still don't know how we got here. Or how to get out."

The friends quietened at his words. The sky above them, once a sunny blue, seemed to have dimmed slightly. The grass suddenly felt sticky, as though it was trying to grasp hold of them. The silky voice echoed again.
"Congratulations, challengers! You've completed Level One! On to Level Two!"

“It’s like the voice from the show, but... more ominous,” said Ravi.

Jamie swallowed hard, a knot beginning to form in his stomach. "We need to find a way out of here. Let's just get through this level and then we can figure out what's going on."

"But how?" Ethan asked, scanning the room for a way out.

Jamie took a deep breath. "We stick together. We’ve watched the show enough. There’s always a way out, we just have to find it."

1 According to the passage, who is the most cautious?

A Ethan because he ‘took a running start and barely made the final jump-’. (line 41)
B Ravi because he says, ‘I wonder what happens next-’ (lines 43-44)
C Jamie because he says, ‘Wait, Ravi. We don’t know if it’s safe.’ (lines 62-63)
D Ethan because he says, ‘But how?’when scanning the room for a way out. (line 87)
E Jamie because he says ‘There’s always a way out, we just have to find it.’ (lines 89-90)

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2 ‘**Jamie made it across the lake of pink slime first, with surprising agility that belied his small frame.**’ (lines 38-39)

What does the word ‘**agility**’ mean in this sentence?

A panting and feeling unfit
B moving quickly and easily
C hesitating before jumping
D springing off the block
E leaping from block to block

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3 What literary device are the following quotations examples of?

‘thrusting the boys back and forth like sailors on a stormy sea’ (lines 36-37)

A hyperbole **B** metaphor **C** personification **D** simile **E** oxymoron

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4 How does the title, ‘**Other Side of the Screen**’, foreshadow what is going to happen to the boys?

A It suggests they will watch themselves on TV.
B It suggests they will play human pinball.
C It suggests they will be inside a TV show or video game.
D It suggests they will lose the game after Level One.
E It suggests they will meet TV characters from their favourite show.

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5 What type of words are the following:
‘**assuredly**’ (line 16), ‘**suggestively**’ (line 25) and ‘**impulsively**’ (line 31)?

A adjectives **B** nouns **C** adverbs **D** verbs **E** conjunctions

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6 '**After some initial hesitation, the others followed.**' (line 32-33)

Which word could **best** replace '**hesitation**' in this sentence?

A squirming **B** emotions **C** questions **D** indecision **E** excitement

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7 **Jamie pinched him. "Ow! Nope, not a dream."** (line 17)

Why did Jamie pinch Ravi?

A Jamie knew the pain of a pinch would wake Ravi if he was dreaming.
B Jamie wanted Ravi to hurry up and start the game.
C Jamie didn't want the other boys to find the chest of golden coins.
D Jamie followed Ravi's request to pinch him and test if he was sleeping.
E Jamie was annoyed with Ravi for running ahead in the game.

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8 **"It's like the voice from the show, but... more ominous," said Ravi.** (line 81-82)

What does the word '**ominous**' suggest about the boys' situation?

A Something exciting is going to happen.
B They know exactly what's coming next.
C They are going to meet the host of the TV show.
D They have heard that voice before.
E Something dangerous is going to happen.

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9 Which quotation tells us Ethan thinks they have a good chance of winning the game?

A “Are we in the game?” (lines 14-15)
B “If we are in the castle, we get to compete for the prize!” (lines 21-22)
C “We’ve spent hours watching this show.” (lines 26-27)
D “It’s the Human Pinball challenge!” (line 58)
E “That was epic” (line 72)

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10 **“No way, guys,” said Jamie, shaking his head. “Castle Clash is just a TV show. Let’s not get carried away. Someone will be playing a trick on us, that’s all.”** (lines 18-20)

What is Jamie **most likely** thinking as he says this aloud?

A He must be dreaming about being in the TV show.
B Castle Clash is his favourite TV show.
C They can’t possibly be in the game.
D Someone else is trying to win the chest of gold coins.
E Ravi and Ethan are playing a trick on him.

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11 What is the second game the boys are challenged with?

A Castle Clash
B lake of pink slime
C human pinball
D springy trampoline
E giant slide

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12 Which of the following options best describes Ravi's character in this passage?

A brave and carefree
B resourceful and imaginative
C loyal and trustworthy
D hesitant and worried
E stubborn and selfish

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13 Look at lines 1-13. Which word best describes the room the boys wake up in?

A tiny **B** cosy **C** warm **D** bare **E** bright

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14 According to the beginning of the passage, how does Jamie first know something is different?

A His curtains opened automatically.
B His bed felt as though it were floating.
C His friends were in the room with him.
D His light was white rather than warm rays.
E His floor was covered in a springy material.

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15 How does the author create a darker mood from line 75 onwards?

Select TWO answers.

A ‘The sky above them, once a sunny blue, seemed to have dimmed slightly.’ (lines 75-76)

B ‘The grass suddenly felt sticky, as though it was trying to grasp hold of them.’ (lines 76-78)

C The silky voice echoed again, “Congratulations, challengers!” (lines 78-79)

D 'Let's just get through this level and then we can figure out what's going on.' (lines 84-86)

E 'We stick together. We’ve watched the show enough.' (lines 88-89)

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16 ‘**Jamie and Ethan followed, their initial trepidation giving way to the brief thrill of ricocheting to and fro.**’ (lines 69-71)

Which word means the same as ‘**trepidation**’?

A irritation **B** nervousness **C** anticipation **D** boredom **E** excitement

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17 **"Is this...?" Ethan began, his eyes wide as saucers. "Are we in the game?"** (lines 14-15)

What is Ethan feeling at this moment?

Select TWO answers.

A worry **B** dread **C** frustration **D** disbelief **E** excitement

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18 **"Well, there's only one way to find out what's going on," Jamie said, trying to keep his voice steady.** (line 28-29)

What does the phrase '**trying to keep his voice steady**' suggest about Jamie?

Select TWO answers.

A He's very upset about the situation.
B He's told his friends how he's feeling.
C He's uneasy about moving forward.
D He's eager to win in Level One.
E He's trying to control his emotions.

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19 What evidence is there that Ravi is impulsive?

Select TWO answers.

A The main flipper launched him into the air.
B He didn't listen to Jamie's warning.
C He tumbled out of the exit with a thumbs up.
D He climbed onto the machine right away.
E He whooped with joy.

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20 How do Jamie and Ethan's feelings change when they try the Human Pinball machine?

A Their feelings change from uninterested to enthusiastic.
B Their feelings change from bored to exhilarated.
C Their feelings change from hesitant to scared.
D Their feelings change from nervous to excited.
E Their feelings change from amazed to terrified.

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21 Look at lines 83-90. Which of the following best summarises the ending of this text?

A Ravi wants to run off and complete the next level of the game.
B Jamie feels concerned because they've never been in this situation.
C Ethan and Jamie try to stay calm and find a way out.
D Ethan takes the lead and begins to help the group find their way out.
E Ethan is frightened of the ominous voice and worries they'll never get out.

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22 Which **two** quotations show how the boys recognise the setting of the story?

Select TWO answers.

A Ethan began, his eyes wide as saucers. "Are we in the game?" (lines 14-15)
B "No way," said Ravi assuredly. "This has to be a dream." (line 16)
C Jamie pinched him. "Ow! Nope, not a dream." (line 17)
D "I fancy getting my hands on some treasure," grinned Ravi. (line 23)
E "We've spent hours watching this show." (lines 26-27)

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23 Look at lines 14-29. What mood did the author create in this part of the story?

A ominous and eerie
B mysterious and tense
C anxious and hesitant
D impatient and frustrated
E excited and hopeful

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24 Look at lines 83- 90. What does the author suggest the group will rely on to make it out of the game?

Select TWO answers.

A taking a deep breath to stay calm
B solving level one
C remaining together
D scanning the room for clues
E their familiarity of the show

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25 **"This is so cool!" Ravi shouted, impulsively running ahead.** (lines 31-32)

Which word could replace '**impulsively**' in this sentence?

A gleefully **B** noisily **C** quickly **D** heedlessly **E** frantically

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26 This sentence may contain a **spelling** mistake. Choose the group of words with the mistake in it. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
As we stood on	top of the hill, we	could hear our voices	eco as we spoke.

A A **B** B **C** C **D** D **E** N

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27 This sentence may contain a **spelling** mistake. Choose the group of words with the mistake in it. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
Ludo doesn't want to	be iliterate, so he dedicates	an hour of his free time	to reading every evening.

A A **B** B **C** C **D** D **E** N

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28 This sentence may contain a **spelling** mistake. Choose the group of words with the mistake in it. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
At the supermarket, mum	pushed the trolley,	whilst I carryed	the grocery bags.

A A **B** B **C** C **D** D **E** N

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29 This sentence may contain a **spelling** mistake. Choose the group of words with the mistake in it. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
'Eternal' is one of	the most commonly used	synonyms for the	adjective 'immortal'.

A A **B** B **C** C **D** D **E** N

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30 This sentence may contain a **spelling** mistake. Choose the group of words with the mistake in it. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

In the autumn,	lots of leafs fall	from neighbouring trees	into our back garden.
A	B	C	D

A B **B** C **C** A **D** D **E** N

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31 This sentence may contain a **spelling** mistake. Choose the group of words that contains the mistake. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

My cat left muddy	foot prints on the	kitchen floor after dad	had just mopped!
A	B	C	D

A A **B** B **C** C **D** D **E** N

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32 The sentence below may contain a **spelling** mistake. Choose the group of words with the mistake in it. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

The cashier handed	over the reciept	and the customer	left the boutique.
A	B	C	D

A A **B** B **C** C **D** D **E** N

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33 The sentence below may contain a **spelling** mistake. Choose the group of words with the mistake in it. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
Her parents had a	habit of embarassing	her when she was	with her friends.

A A B B C C D D E N

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34 The sentence below may contain a mistake in the use of **capital letters** or **punctuation**. Choose the group of words that contains the mistake. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
She could'nt believe	what she had seen, it	was like something	out of a movie!

A A B B C C D D E N

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35 This sentence may contain a mistake in the use of **capital letters** or **punctuation**. Choose the group of words with the mistake. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
Alex laughed and	told me that the	secret was love	and compassion?

A A B B C C D D E N

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36 The sentence below may contain a mistake in the use of **capital letters** or **punctuation**. Choose the group of words that contains the mistake. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
I heard them	say, "Can you tell	us again how	to contact you?"

A A **B** B **C** C **D** D **E** N

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37 The sentence below may contain a mistake in the use of **capital letters** or **punctuation**. Choose the group of words that contains the mistake. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
While watching	the fireworks, he	exclaimed, "This	is amazing"!

A A **B** B **C** C **D** D **E** N

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38 The sentence below may contain a mistake in the use of **capital letters** or **punctuation**. Choose the group of words that contains the mistake. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
Linda wants me to	go and find	party things, like	candles sparklers and hats.

A A **B** B **C** C **D** D **E** N

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39 The passage below may contain a mistake in the use of **capital letters** or **punctuation**. Choose the group of words that contains the mistake. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
"Can we find	a hotel?" said	Mum sleepily "I'm	absolutely exhausted."

A A B B C C D D E N

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40 The sentence below may contain a mistake in the use of **capital letters** or **punctuation**. Choose the group of words that contains the mistake. If there is no mistake, choose 'N'.

A	B	C	D
On our strenuous	journey, while	Tyron stayed motivated,	I wanted to quit.

A A B B C C D D E N

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41 This sentence may contain a mistake in the use of **capital letters** or **punctuation**. Choose the group of words that contains the mistake. If there is no mistake, select 'N'.

A	B	C	D
"The students' approach	to the experiment	was interesting!" said Dr Smith.	"Let's review their strategies."

A A B B C C D D E N

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42 Choose the **best** word, or group of words, to complete the sentence so that it makes sense and is written in correct English.

Which	Their	Those	More	That	footballer has the potential to become a world-class player.
A	B	C	D	E	

A B C D E

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43 Choose the **best** word, or group of words, to complete the sentence so that it makes sense and is written in correct English.

Prakask has

did	done	do	does	doing	as much revision as possible for his upcoming exam.
A	B	C	D	E	

A B C D E

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44 Choose the **best** word, or group of words, to complete the sentence so that it makes sense and is written in correct English.

Jasmine

grab	greed	greedy	greedily	gently	grabbed another cake from the cake tin.
A	B	C	D	E	

A B C D E

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45 Choose the **best** word, or group of words, to complete the sentence so that it makes sense and is written in correct English.

He is drinking | his | herself | they | there | this | to get warm after being outside in the snow.

A B C D E

A B C D E

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46 Choose the **best** group of words to complete the sentence below so that it makes sense and is written in correct English.

She excelled in the interview | in spite to | in spite with | in spite of | in spite at | in spite for | her nervous nature.

A B C D E

A B C D E

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47 Choose the **best** word, or group of words, to complete the sentence so that it makes sense and is written in correct English.

After weightlifting, I got a muscle | spasmodic | spasm | spasmodically | sparse | spartan | .

A B C D E

A B C D E

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48 Choose the **best** word, or group of words, to complete the sentence so that it makes sense and is written in correct English.

The | intelligent | brainy | eager | idle | nimble | thief darted away before anyone could catch him.

A B C D E

A B C D E

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49 Choose the **best** word, or group of words, to complete the sentence so that it makes sense and is written in correct English.

At a young age, Yamal | emphasised | emerged | embodied | embarked | empowered | as Spain's best footballer.

A B C D E

A B C D E

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50 Choose the **best** word, or group of words, to complete the sentence so that it makes sense and is written in correct English.

| Unless | Until | While | Provided | Whenever | you help with washing up, you can go to the cinema today.

A B C D E

A B C D E

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