

## **GL ASSESSMENT PAPER 1**



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### **GL Assessment Style 11+ Exam - PAPER 1**

Read through this section carefully and wait for further instruction.

#### **Read the instructions carefully.**

- Do not begin the test or open the booklet until told to do so.
- Work as quickly and as carefully as you can.
- Please use a pencil to answer the questions
- Put a line in the box next to the correct letter from the options given on your answer sheet
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## SECTION 1: Comprehension

Answer the questions that follow after reading the passage on Winston Churchill.

### Sir Winston Churchill

Winston Churchill (<https://www.gov.uk/government/history/past-prime-ministers/winston-churchill>) was an inspirational statesman, writer, orator and leader who led Britain to victory in the Second World War. He served as Conservative Prime Minister twice - from 1940 to 1945 (before being defeated in the 1945 general election by the Labour leader Clement Attlee) and from 1951 to 1955.

Winston Churchill was born on 30 November 1874, in Blenheim Palace, Oxfordshire and was of rich, aristocratic ancestry. Although achieving poor grades at school, his early fascination with militarism saw him join the Royal Cavalry in 1895. As a soldier and part-time journalist, Churchill travelled widely, including trips to Cuba, Afghanistan, Egypt and South Africa.

Churchill was elected as Conservative MP for Oldham in 1900, before defecting to the Liberal Party in 1904 and spending the next decade climbing the ranks of the Liberal government. He was First Lord of the Admiralty (the civil/political head of the Royal Navy) by the time of the disastrous Gallipoli campaign, which he created. Heavily criticised for this error, he resigned from this position and travelled to the Western Front to fight himself.

The interwar years saw Churchill again 'cross the floor' from the Liberals, back to the Conservative Party. He served as Chancellor of the Exchequer from 1924, when he controversially opted for Britain to re-join the Gold Standard. Following the Tory electoral defeat in 1929, Churchill lost his seat and spent much of the next 11 years out of office, mainly writing and making speeches. Although he was alone in his firm opposition to Indian Independence, his warnings against the Appeasement of Nazi Germany were proven correct when the Second World War broke out in 1939.

Following Neville Chamberlain's resignation in 1940, Churchill was chosen to succeed him as Prime Minister of an all-party coalition government.

Churchill, who also adopted the self-created position of Minister for Defence, was active both in administrative and diplomatic functions in prosecuting the British war effort. Some of his most memorable speeches were given in this period, and are credited with stimulating British morale during periods of great hardship. However, Labour leader Clement Attlee's unexpected General Election victory in 1945 saw Churchill out of office and once again concentrating on public speaking. In his 1946 speech in the USA, the instinctive pro-American famously declared that "an iron curtain has descended across the Continent", and warned of the continued danger from a powerful Soviet Russia.

By his re-election in 1951, Churchill was, in the words of Roy Jenkins, "gloriously unfit for office". Ageing and increasingly unwell, he often conducted business from his bedside, and while his powerful personality and oratory ability endured, the Prime Minister's leadership was less decisive than during the war. His second term was most notable for the Conservative Party's acceptance of Labour's newly created Welfare State, and Churchill's effect on domestic policy was limited. His later attempts at

decreasing the developing Cold War through personal diplomacy failed to produce significant results, and poor health forced him to resign in 1955, making way for his Foreign Secretary and Deputy Prime Minister, Anthony Eden.

Churchill died in 1965, and was honoured with a state funeral.

1. How many years did Winston Churchill live?

- A. 90 years
- B. 91 years
- C. 89 years
- D. 92 years

2. What was Churchill's main interest in school?

- A. Politics
- B. General studies
- C. Militarism
- D. Sports

3. What was Churchill's most important accomplishment?

- A. Leading Britain to victory in the Second World War
- B. Doing well in studies
- C. Switching political parties
- D. Living for 91 years

4. What would best describe Winston Churchill's personality?

- A. Inspirational leader
- B. Writer
- C. Orator

D. All the above

5. What can you say about Churchill's political career?

A. Supporting Indian independence movement

B. Marked by winning and losing elections, becoming prime minister twice, switching loyalties and stimulating British morale during times of hardships

C. He succeeded in decreasing the cold War through his diplomacy

D. He was very decisive in his second stint as prime minister

6. What could be construed as Churchill's failure?

A. His being the First Lord of the Admiralty

B. His warning about the dangers from Soviet Russia

C. He lost his seat in 1929 and spent 11 years out of office

D. His warnings against the appeasement of Nazi Germany

7. From whom did Churchill take over as prime minister in 1940?

A. Neville Chamberlain

B. Clement Atlee

C. Roy Jenkins

D. Anthony Eden

8. Who took over from Churchill as prime minister in 1945?

A. Neville Chamberlain

B. Anthony Eden

C. Roy Jenkins

D. Clement Atlee

9. Which parties did Churchill serve?

- A. Liberals
- B. Conservatives
- C. Labour
- D. Both A and B

10. Churchill travelled widely, including trips to Cuba, Afghanistan, Egypt and South Africa. What was he during this period?

- A. Politician
- B. Soldier and a part-time journalist
- C. Chancellor of the Exchequer
- D. Prime minister

### **SPELLING**

In the following sentences either there is a spelling mistake or no mistake. Choose which part (A, B, C or D) has the mistake. If there is no mistake then choose X.

**Example:**

**They were excited to be visiting the magnificent waterfalls.**

( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

**Answer: The answer is D as magnificent is spelt incorrectly.**

11. Manchester United has won more trophyies than any other club in English football.

( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

12. Anthony had cooked up a wierd plot to fool his close friend.

( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

13. Grandpa broke her leg the other day when she stumbled and fell at the supermarket.

( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

14. The teacher punished any act of omission by students quite harshly.  
( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

15. His procrastination was the prime cause for losing the bid for the new project.  
( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

## PUNCTUATION

In the following sentences either there is a punctuation mistake or no mistake. Choose which part (A, B, C or D) has the mistake. If there is no mistake then choose X.

16. All of the workers at the factory, including men and women were felicitated.  
( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

17. Who do you think will win the first test between England and New Zealand.  
( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

18. In Enid Blyton's short story, "Christmas Tales," Enid Blyton captures the spirit of Christmas.  
( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

19. To Penelope surprise, her father gave her permission to go to the movies.  
( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

20. I have to go to manchester to watch the football match.  
( A ) ( B ) ( C ) ( D ) (X)

## GRAMMAR

In the following questions, choices are given for a particular word or group of words (in bold letters). Choose the appropriate word which completes the sentence in proper English to ensure that the passage makes sense.

Netflix **uses/was using/misuses/had used (21)** technology to understand its customers very well. It uses the **small/insufficient/vast/miniscule (22)** amount of data it collects on customers **to hide/to know/to distribute/to herald (23)** each customer's individual tastes and preferences. It then offers suggestions that customers **find/found/founded/finding (24)** hard to refuse. It understands the need of customers to view something new and therefore **creating/created/creates/create (25)** content that is original and available only on Netflix first.

## VERBAL REASONING 1

In the following questions, there are two groups of three words. You have to find one word from each group that is closest in meaning to each other. Circle the two words.

**Example:**

(supply extract spend) (donate buy provide)

**Answer:** The answer is 'supply' and 'provide' as both of these words mean to give.

26. (trendy sour sweet) (chic harsh crazy)

27. (effortless brawl weather) (skirmish difficult movie)

28. (super open whittle) (close diminish develop)

29. (trade crusade sweat) (charisma hurry movement)

30. (decry soul skeet) (deride stool stand)

## **VERBAL REASONING 2**

In the following questions, you are given two words. You have to remove one letter from the word on the left and place it into the word on the right to make two new words. You have to maintain the order of the original letters in both the words.

**Example:**

**MOVIES HOST**

**Answer:** Moving I from movies leaves us with MOVES and adding it to host makes HOIST. A HOIST is a device which is used for lifting heavy weights, like engines

31. FOWL LAG

32. CROW BOW

33. MAST PAT

34. BEAD SET

35. CART TIN

## **VERBAL REASONING 3**

In the following questions there is a particular pattern that governs the first set of two letters. In the second set, the first pair of letters is given. Find the second pair of letters following the pattern revealed by the pairs in the first set. You may use the alphabet provided below to help you:

**Example:**

**A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z**

**BC is to DE as GH is to ?**

**Answer: The correct answer is IJ**

**To get from B to D we moved forward 2 letters, and to get from C to E we also moved forward 2 letters. Only IJ works.**

**Now answer the questions that follow:**

**A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z**

36. AM is to EO, as QS is to -----

37. CA is to IG, as PJ is to -----

38. EF is to KK, as MN is to -----

39. DD is to KL, as FF is to -----

40. AB is to ST, as CD is to -----

#### **VERBAL REASONING 4**

In the following questions, there is a particular pattern that governs the first two pairs of words. You are required to find the pattern and apply it to the word given in the third pair and choose the word that is made.

**Example:**

**(almost most) (gyrate rate) (portray \_\_\_\_\_)**

**The answer is: 'tray' because the pattern for finding the second word is the last 4 letters of the first word**

41. (scrape rap) (treat eat) (asset -----)

42. (crown cow) (cloth cot) (flats -----)

43. (month moth) (beast best) (coast -----)

44. (feast seat) (world lord) (board -----)



45. (fruit turf) (state eats) (peach -----)

46. (touch out) (every eve) (brown -----)

47. (there her) (daddy add) (bored -----)

48. (stone note) (grace care) (knife -----)

49. (blood old) (world rod) (heart -----)

50. (apple plea) (other hero) (space -----)

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