



GESE Grade 4 Preparation Booklet









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Introducción general

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Resumen de los requisitos del grado

Grade	Habilidades comunicativas	Gramática	Vocabulario	Fonología
4	 Hablar sobre eventos pasados. Hablar sobre planes e intenciones futuras. Realizar comparaciones. Expresar gustos y preferencias. Utilizar los adverbios de modo y frecuencia. 	 Pasado simple de verbos regulares e irregulares. Futuro con going to. Adverbios de modo y frecuencia. Adjetivos en grado comparativo y superlativo. Conector but. 	 El vocabulario específico del Topic. El vocabulario de los Temas de Conversación. Los adverbios de frecuencia, por ej.: sometimes, often, never Las locuciones adverbiales, por ej: every day, once a week. Expresiones en pasado, por ej.: yesterday, last night 	 Correcta pronunciación del vocabulario. Utilizar correctamente, al hablar en pasado, las tres formas de pronunciación de la terminación "-ed" Uso adecuado de las contracciones. Entonación apropiada.





Procedimiento del examen

- El examinador comienza saludando y recibiendo al candidato y asegurándose de hacer que éste se sienta cómodo y relajado. Se espera que el candidato salude con cortesía.
- El examen tiene forma de conversación no espontánea con un examinado durante al menos 10 minutos. El examen tiene dos partes:
 - La <u>exposición</u> sobre el <u>tema</u>: el candidato elegirá un tema dentro de sus opciones que preparará con antelación y debatirá con el examinador. Puede ser sobre cualquier tema que les interese pero que a su vez les deje demostrar todas las funciones del lenguaje y habilidades comunicativas requeridas en el grado al que se presenta. Aquí deberán <u>preparar alguna pregunta para que el examinador conteste</u>.
 - o La **conversación**: El candidato conversará sobre dos áreas elegidas por el examinador.
- El examinador finaliza la conversación agradeciendo al candidato su participación y despidiéndose.
- Se espera que el candidato se <u>despida</u> con <u>agradecimiento y cortesía</u> por ejemplo con un apretón de manos.
- Ejemplos del examen pueden encontrarse aquí: <u>www.trinitycollege.co.uk/GESEvideo</u>

Temas de la fase de conversación de Grado 4

- Holidays / Vacaciones
- Shopping /Las compras
- School and work / Colegio y trabajo
- Hobbies and sports / aficiones y deportes
- Food /Comida
- Weekend and seasonal activities /Los fines de semana y las actividades de ocio estacional.

Uso de este cuadernillo y recursos adicionales

Este cuadernillo está organizado sobre las funciones del lenguaje a trabajar. Al lado de cada una aparece el nivel al que pertenece. Por supuesto, todos los alumnos del grado cuatro deben dominar las funciones del grado tres perfectamente.

Existen vídeos, juegos y otros recursos digitales disponibles on line en http://www.tarradeberes.com/ > English > Trinity Exams.





Talking about past events (4)

Vocabulary:

Yet, already, been, have, did, yesterday, last, night, week, weekend, year, autumn, winter, spring, summer, ago

Affirmative	Negative		Interrogative	Short	answers
Full forms	Full forms	Contractions		Affirmative	Negative
I played	I did not play	I didn't play	Did I play?	Yes, I did	No, I didn't
You played	You did not play	You didn't play	Did you play?	Yes, you did	No, you didn't
He played	He did not play	He didn't play	Did he play?	Yes, he did	No, he didn't
She played	She did not play	She didn't play	Did she play?	Yes, she did	No, she didn't
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You saw	You did not see	You didn't see	Did you see?	Yes, you did	No, you didn't	
He saw	He did not see	He didn't see	Did he see?	Yes, he did	No, he didn't	
She saw	She did not see	She didn't see	Did she see?	Yes, she did	No, she didn't	
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You saw	You did not see	You didn't see	Did you see?	Yes, you did	No, you didn't	
They saw	They did not see	They didn't see	Did they see?	Yes, they did	No, they didn't	

QUESTION	ANSWER	NEEDS TO REVIEW
Where did you go on your last holidays?	I went to the beach / to France / to my parent's village.	
Who did you go with?	I went with my family.	





What did your parents do?	They went out for dinner with their friends.	
What did you like the most?	I liked visiting famous monuments.	
What was the weather like?	The weather was fantastic / terrible.	
Who did the cooking?	My dad did all the cooking for us.	
What did you do most of the time?	I swam in the sea and played with the sand.	
Tell me about what was the best/worst moment you had?	The best moment was to visit the Eiffel Tower. The worst moment was the turbulences during the flight.	
How did you travel?	We travelled by plane / by bus / by car.	
Have you been there before?	Yes, we've been there before. / No we have not been there before.	
Who drove the car?	Both my mum and my dad drove the car.	
Did you go shopping last week?	I didn't go shopping last week but I have gone this week.	
When was the last time you went shopping? What did you buy?	The last time I went shopping was two weeks ago. I bought new shoes and a bag.	
Did you buy anything nice at the weekend?	Yes, I bought a poster for my bedroom.	
Where did you buy your shoes?	I bought them in the shopping centre.	
Did you eat lunch today?	Yes, I did. I had chicken soup.	
What food do you like now that you didn't like before?	I now like cheese and before I hated it.	
Have you been out to eat in a restaurant recently?	Yes, I have been to a sushi restaurant this week.	
Have you ever tried food from another country?	Yes, I love to eat all types of food.	
Did their brother go to dinner with you two nights ago?	Yes, their brother went to dinner with [us/me] two days ago. / No, their brother did no go to dinner with [us/me] two days ago.	
Have you already seen the movie?	Yes, I have already seen the movie. / No I have not seen the movie yet.	
Has the boy been to school this week?	Yes, the boy has been to school this week. / No the boy has not been to school this week.	
How did the football team play yesterday?	The football team [played/did not play] well yesterday.	
Did you have visitors last weekend?	Yes I had visitors. / No I did not have visitors.	
How did I do on the exam yesterday?	I did well on the exam./ I'm sure I've passed / I did not do well on the exam / I might have failed	





Where were you last weekend?	I went to a cabin in the mountains with my cousins.	
Do you practise a sport now that you didn't do before?	Yes, I skate now.	

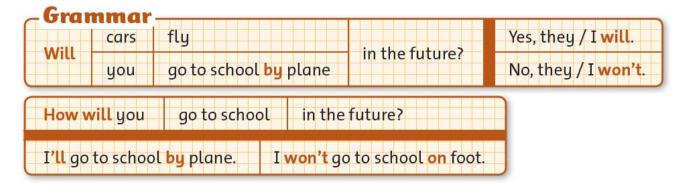




Talking about future plans and intentions (4)

Vocabulary:

Tomorrow, soon, coming, before, when, after, until, if, since, ever, never, just, will, sometime, maybe, perhaps, later, presently, shortly, then, week, month, year, next, often, going to, would like, plan, want, mean, hope, expect.



QUESTION	ANSWER	NEEDS TO REVIEW
Where do you usually go on holidays?	I usually go to my village / to the beach / to the mountains	
Where are you going on holidays this year?	This this year I'm going to the seaside I'll go somewhere new We are going abroad	
Do you think you will ever travel, live or work abroad?	I think I will. I'll study abroad during the summer when I'm older	
Are you going shopping next week?	I'm not going shopping because I don't have money / because I want to save up	
Where are you going to go?	I'll go to the city centre I'm going to the shopping centre like always	
What are you going to buy?	I'm going to buy a present for my mum's birthday I'm buying new clothes	
Who are you going with?	I'm going with my mum / dad / grandma / grandpa	
How are you going? (means of transport)	I'm going on foot We're going by car We always take the train but we are going by bus	
What are you eating tonight?	I'm having a sandwich and a glass of milk. I'm eating chicken and vegetables.	
What are you doing tonight?	I'm going to watch a film to relax.	
What are you going to do tomorrow?	I'm coming to school like always.	





	I'll wake up late because it's Saturday
Do you have any plans for the weekend?	I'm visiting my grandparents
bo you have any plans for the weekend:	I'm going to study for an exam
	After school I always have
	extracurricular activities so I'm going
	to piano lessons
What are you doing after school?	I'm going to English class
	I'm playing in the park
	I'm doing my homework
	I think I'll go home
What are you going to do the next bank	We are travelling to Paris
holiday?	I'll rest and study
What are you going to study next year?	I think I'll study more English
what are you going to study next year:	I will study the same subjects
	I am going to be an architect
What are you going to study at	I'm studying science
university?	I am not sure yet
	I won't go to university
	I'll be 19 years old so I'll be studying
Where do you see yourself ten years	at university
from now?	I will be working.
	I will be travelling around the world.
What kind of job would you like to do in	I will be an engineer
the future?	I would like to work with computers.
	I plant to go in the summer, when the
Do you have any plans to go to an	water rides are open.
Do you have any plans to go to an	I won't go to an amusement park. I
amusement park in the near future?	am afraid of heights.
	I want to go for my birthday.
How will transportation and travel	Cars will be electric and small but
change in the future?	very fast.
change in the future:	Everyone will go by bike.





FUTURE with 'GOING TO'

How do we form statements, questions and answers with 'going to'?
 Study the grammar reference chart below.

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Affirmative and Negative Statements with 'going to'								
He	I You / She / It We They	am are is are are	going to			tr	avel.	
• Q	uestions with	'going to'						
	Am Are Is Are Are	I you he / she / it we they			avel?			
• Af	firmative ('Yes') ans	wers with 'going	to'	• A	legative	('No') ans	wers \	with 'going to'
Yes,	I you he / she / it we they	am. are. is. are. are.	am. are. is. No, he/		I /ou she / it we hey	are is are	not. not. (aren't). not. (isn't). not. (aren't). not. (aren't).	
Information Questions with 'going to'								
	*What When Where Why How /ho with	am are is are are	I you he / she / it we they		going	to	travel?	





Expressing simple comparisons (4)

Vocabulary:

<u>Holidays:</u> Exciting / interesting / fabulous / enjoyable / relaxing / active / original / awesome/ wonderful / amazing / breath-taking / terrific / stunning / boring / spoilt / terrible / horrible / terrifying.

<u>Shopping:</u> cheap / expensive / affordable / big / huge / enormous / small / tiny / new / old / pretty / original / old / new / ancient / antique / round / square / flat / straight / blue / red / white / black / dark / bright / yellowish

School: Interesting / boring / challenging / special / normal / bilingual / cheerful

<u>Hobbies and sports:</u> creative / fascinating / practical / cheap / enjoyable / relaxing / different / unusual / sociable / easy / difficult / boring / dangerous / safe / tiring / exciting / frightening / frustrating / healthy / risky / thrilling / unsafe / violent / aggressive /quiet / fun /

<u>Food:</u> appetising / dry / bitter / bland / sour / tasty / tangy / sweet / spicy / delicious / cold / crisp / crunchy / hard / hot / juicy / disgusting

<u>Festivals:</u> fun / boring / entertaining / participative / old / new / traditional / cosy / familiar / historic / historical / British / Spanish / American / Australian / national / regional / typical / dangerous / safe / famous

<u>Means of transport:</u> comfortable / uncomfortable / fast / slow / clean / dirty / cheap / economic / expensive / good for the environment / bad for the environment unreliable / empty / dangerous / reliable / crowded / safe.

<u>Special occasions, e.g. birthday celebrations:</u> formal / informal / joyful / magical / wonderful / huge / special / annual / enjoyable / pleasant / rare / common / thoughtful

<u>Entertainment, e.g. cinema, television, clubs:</u> amusing / boring / distracting / fun / pleasing / relaxing / entertaining / overrated / fantastic / adventurous / ambitious / beautiful / brilliant / creative / family-friendly

Music: Soothing / relaxing / exciting / stimulating / calm / calming / lifting / creative / imaginative





Grammar items:

Comparative Adjectives

(Used to compare 2 things)

"The elephant is bigger than the mouse"



One syllable	Two syllables ending in 'y' - change 'y' to 'i'and add er	Two or more syllables
Form: <u>+er than</u>	Form: +ier than	Form: More than
Bigger than Smaller than Nicer than Taller than Shorter than Stronger than Weaker than Longer than	Easier than Busier than Prettier than Heavier than Funnier than Smellier than Happier than Friendlier than	more beautiful than more dangerous than more intelligent than more understanding than more complex than more interesting than more difficult than more frustrating than

Superlative Adjectives

(Used to compare 3 or more things)

"The blue whale is the biggest animal in the world"

One syllable	Two syllables ending in 'y' - change 'y' to 'i'and add est	Two or more syllables
Form: the +est	Form: the+iest	Form: the most
the Biggest the Smallest the Nicest the Tallest the Shortest the Strongest the Weakest the Longest	the Easiest the Busiest the Prettiest the Heaviest the Funniest the Smelliest the Happiest the Friendliest	the most beautiful the most dangerous the most intelligent the most understanding the most complex the most interesting the most difficult the most frustrating





QUESTION	ANSWER	NEEDS TO REVIEW
Tell me about what was the	The best moment was to see the snow.	
best/worst moment you had while	The worst moment was waiting in traffic	
you were on holidays?	to get back to Madrid.	
What do you think is the best time to go on holiday?	I think summer is better than any season.	
What is the best holiday you've ever had?	The best holiday was going to Disneyland.	
What is the most beautiful place you have visited this year?	I loved Barcelona. I was there in April.	
Tell me about your favourite shop	My favourite shop is the Disney store because it has a lot of cute things.	
What time do shops open / close in your city?	Some shops close at eight but others close at ten.	
What foods do you hate?	I hate cauliflowers because it's smelly.	
What foods do you love?	I love popcorn because it sweet and salty.	
Please describe your favorite food.	I love Spanish omelette. You make with sliced fried potatoes and beaten eggs.	
Have you eaten any horrible food this week?	Yes, I ate a horrible spinach puree.	
What subjects do you love / hate?	I love Maths but I hate Spanish.	
What is the best / worst thing about	The best thing is to learn a lot of new	
school?	things but the worst part is homework.	
What is your school like?	My school is quite big and new.	
What do you like about (sport)?	I love to jump and run.	
What is your favourite hobby / pastime?	My favourite pastime is to solve puzzles.	
What is the most popular celebration in your country?	I think Christmas is very popular.	
Which are the most popular festivals in your country? When does it take place?	Carnival is very important. It takes place in February.	
Describe a celebration you have been to.	I went to the Fallas last month. It was impressive.	
What do you like doing at the weekend in spring/ winter/autumn/ summer?	In winter I love building snowmen and in autumn I love collecting leaves.	
Tell me about your favourite family weekend?	We went to Barcelona to do some sightseeing.	
What do you like doing on your birthday?	I like having a party with my family and friends.	
Tell me about your favourite birthday party	It was two years ago. All my friends were there and we had lots of fun.	
Tell me about your last weekend	Last weekend I couldn't do much because I was studying for an exam.	





What is the most difficult sport that you have tried?	Baseball is the most difficult sport because there are a lot of rules.	
What is the most interesting sport?	I think Rugby is the most interesting sport.	
What is the most dangerous sport?	Climbing is the most dangerous sport in my opinion.	
What is the best way to get to the city centre?	The best way is to get the metro.	
What mean of transport do you think is the best?	I think the best mean of transport is the bike because it doesn't pollute.	
What was the best present you got?	The best present was my bike.	

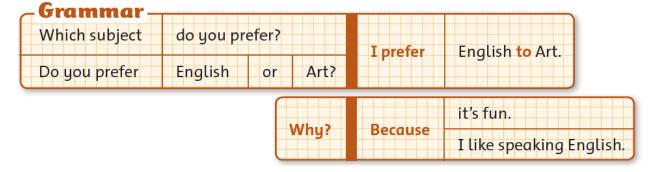




Expressing likes and dislikes (4)

Vocabulary:

Like, dislike, prefer, love, hate, better, worse, equal(ly), would, would rather, best, worst, same,



QUESTION	ANSWER	NEEDS TO REVIEW
What do you like or dislike about the seaside / mountains?	I love the sea / fresh air / silence I hate the noise / the heat	
Tell me what's the difference between going to the beach and the mountains?	I prefer going to the beach because it is hotter / sunnier I'd rather go to the mountains because it is colder / quieter	
What do you like or dislike about going shopping?	I like spending time with my family and helping out with the bags. I hate the crowds.	
Do you like Chinese food? Why or why not?	I love Chinese food because it's sweet and sour.	
Do you like food from other countries? If yes, which do you like the most?	Yes, I do. I love Italian food. Pasta is the best meal.	
Do you like to eat a lot of food every day?	No, I don't. It is not good for you to eat too much.	
Do you like to eat at fast food restaurants?	Only sometimes because it is unhealthy.	
Do you like to try new food and drinks?	Absolutely / No, I don't. I'm very picky with food.	
Do you often eat out?	Yes, we eat out every Friday night. No, we don't eat out very often.	
Do you prefer fish or meat?	I prefer meat.	
Do you prefer to eat at a restaurant or at home?	I prefer to eat out because it is fun and I can try new food.	
What's your favourite season to travel? Why?	I like to travel in Spring because the weather is very good.	





What do you like doing at the weekend in spring/ winter/autumn/summer?	In summer I like swimming in the pool but in winter I love skiing.			
What do you like doing on your birthday?	I love eating chocolate cake.			
What do you usually do for Christmas?	We get together at my grandparent's house to have dinner. We go skiing.			
What do you usually do at Easter?	We eat chocolate eggs.			
Do you like fishing?	No, I don't. I prefer walking.			
How often do you go to the cinema?	I don't go very often, only when a good film is on.	I don't go very often, only when a good film is		
Who do you usually go to the cinema with?	I always go with my family.			
Which are your favourite sports? Why?	My favourite sport is basketball because I'm good at it.			
What kind of sports do you prefer?	I prefer group / individual sports			
What is your favourite hobby? Why?	I love playing table games because it's a lot of fun. I prefer reading because it's very relaxing.			
What is one of your favourite TV shows? Why do you like it?	I like SpongeBob because it's entertaining.			
What are some games that you don't like to play? Why?	I don't like playing hide and seek because I'm terrible at it.			
What is the best book you have ever read?	It is called Dear Max. It is fantastic.			
What types of programs do you like watching on TV?	I like watching cartoons.			
Tell me about a program you've recently enjoyed	I have really enjoyed Phineas and Ferb.			
Do you like your family? Why or why not?	Of course I like them because they are loving and kind to me.			
Do you live with any of your grandparents?	No, they live in a retirement home.			
Tell me about your favourite festival	My favourite festival is San Isidro because I like dancing Chotis.			
Do you like riding a bike?	Yes, I really enjoy it.			
How do you prefer to go to school by bike or on foot?	I prefer to go on foot because there is a lot of traffic and it can be dangerous.			
Which would you rather have, a bike or a motorcycle?	When I'm older I would love to have a motorcycle			
Which do you prefer to give or receive presents?	I prefer to get presents because it's very difficult to buy a good present.			





Which would you rather do, have a big birthday party o travel abroad for your birthday?	I would like to have a party to share it with my friends.
What kind of music do you listen to?	I love pop / rock / punk / children's / classical / old music.
Who is your favourite singer/band?	My favourite band is Maroon 5.
When do you prefer to listen to music most?	I like to listen to music in the car or while I draw.
What would you rather do, watch a film or listen to music?	I would rather watch a film.
What was your favourite ride or activity? Why?	My favourite ride is the rollercoaster because it's thrilling.
What was your worst ride or activity? Why?	The worst ride was the carousel because it's childish.





Describing manner and frequency (4)

Vocabulary:

<u>Manner</u>: quickly, slowly, gladly, carefully, luckily, beautifully, wonderfully, well, fast, hard, quietly, loudly, cleverly, cautiously, eagerly, kindly, nervously, secretly, silently, softly, willingly, wisely, abruptly, dangerously, suddenly.

Frequency: daily, weekly, monthly...

100%	always	He always gives flowers to Mary.
85%	usually	I usually take two buses per day.
75%	frequently	She frequently goes to the park
60%	often	We often miss the English class.
50%	Sometimes	They sometimes play soccer until the night
40%	occasionally	I occasionally travel by work
30%	rarely	You rarely mixture friendship with business
20%	seldom	He seldom lends something
10%	hardly ever	We hardly ever play videogame
0%	never	I never go out without money.

QUESTION	ANSWER	NEEDS TO REVIEW
How often do you go on holidays?	I go on holiday every summer.	
How often do you go shopping?	I go shopping weekly.	
How long do you take to eat lunch?	It usually takes me one hour.	
How many meals do you usually eat every day?	I usually eat five meals.	





How often do you eat in a restaurant? (How often do you eat out?)	I rarely eat out.		
How often do you go to the cinema /park/ theatre?	I occasionally go to the cinema.		
How often do you have homework?	I have homework every other day.		
How often do you have exams?	I have exams monthly.		
How often do you play sports?	I play sports every afternoon.		
How often do you read?	I read every night.		
How often do you ride your bicycle / take the metro?	I hardly ever take the metro.		





Giving reasons (5)

Vocabulary:

Because, since, as, for, therefore, given that...

QUESTION	ANSWER	NEEDS TO REVIEW
Why do you prefer going on holidays in the summer?	Because the weather is very nice and I don't have to worry about homework.	
Why did you go on holiday abroad?	Because I love to discover other cultures.	
Why don't you like spicy food?	Because it gives me a stomach ache.	
Why do you like sweets?	Because they are yummy.	
Why are you a vegetarian?	Since I love animals I can't eat them	
Why do you like going shopping?	As I go shopping with my mum I get to spend time with her.	
Why do you like Christmas / Easter?	For the presents and the food.	
Why do you like listening to music?	Because I love dancing to it.	
Why do you like amusement parks?	Because they are very fun.	





Assessing GESE candidates: Performance descriptors

It's the examiner's job to put candidates at their ease and give them the opportunity to demonstrate their ability to communicate in English.

The assessment is a balance between fluency and accuracy. Examiners are interested in finding out what candidates can actually do rather than what they can't.

	CONTRIBUTIONS	COMPRENHENSIBILITY	APPROPRIACY	TASK	COVERAGE	ACCURACY	INTERACTION
GRADE	How effective are the candidate's contributions?	Is the candidate understandable?	Is the candidate's language appropriate?	FULLFILMENT Does the candidate fulfil the task?	Does the candidate cover all of the language of the Grade?	How accurate is the candidate's language?	How well does the candidate interact?
A Distinction	Very effective	Clearly understandable	Highly appropriate	Obviously fulfils task	Complete coverage	Highly accurate	Smooth, prompt, fluent
B Merit	Generally effective	Understandable	Good level of appropriacy	Adequately fulfils task	Good coverage	Some inaccuracies	Good with some hesitancy
C Pass	Moderately effective	Moderately understandable	Some control of appropriacy	Partially fulfils task	Some examples	Inaccuracies can affect meaning	Hesitant, needs support
D Fail	limited	Not understandable	Not appropriate	Not fulfilled	Little coverage	Many inaccuracies	Very hesitant



