

# The G C School of Careers

- Secondary School -



## ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER

Academic Year 2022

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<i>Grammar</i>	<i>R.C.</i>	<i>Writing</i>	<i>Sum</i>	<i>Total</i>

### Instructions to Candidates:

**This paper consists of 3 sections:**

#### **Section 1: Grammar**

You are advised not to spend more than **30 minutes** on this section.

#### **Section 2: Reading Comprehension**

You are advised not to spend more than **30 minutes** on this section.

#### **Section 3: Writing**

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**This paper consists of 13 pages, including the cover page.**

## Section 1 Grammar

### A. Complete the following sentences using the appropriate tense:

1. Why are you upset? Have \_\_\_\_\_ (you/argue) with your brother again?
2. He \_\_\_\_\_ (always/shout) out answers in class! It's unacceptable! He should be given detention.
3. He \_\_\_\_\_ (swim) independently since the age of six . He is now fifteen, and we don't need to supervise him when in the pool.
4. Mrs. Dolly \_\_\_\_\_ (own) the bakery down the street for 20 years. Next year she is going to open another one in the city mall.
5. Alexis was thrilled when we went to Disneyland. She \_\_\_\_\_ (never / ride) a rollercoaster her entire life!
6. Giannis Antetokounmpo \_\_\_\_\_ (score) 14,321 points in his NBA career, so far. No wonder he's called the Greek Freak!
7. Mayra and Luke \_\_\_\_\_ (get) promoted last year. They \_\_\_\_\_ (work) in our company for 11 years before that!
9. \_\_\_\_\_ (time / the football match / start) tomorrow evening?
10. Last week, while they \_\_\_\_\_ (drive) to Canberra, a kangaroo \_\_\_\_\_ (hop) along the highway.
11. In salt lakes, salt \_\_\_\_\_ (solidify) as the water evaporates.
12. "The ball \_\_\_\_\_ (hit) the net, and Federer \_\_\_\_\_ (lose) the point! What a brilliant game this is!"

13. Diego \_\_\_\_\_ (win) next week's competition if he continues to train so hard.
14. He \_\_\_\_\_ (return) to school next week, but we don't know exactly when. We'll have to wait for a negative PCR before he can return.
15. He couldn't complete his homework last night because he \_\_\_\_\_ (leave) his books at school.
16. Put your flip-flops on. The sand \_\_\_\_\_ (burn) your feet.
17. "Tomorrow I \_\_\_\_\_ (send) you a complimentary ticket for the Championship Final." "Aww, that's such a kind offer! I am hugely obliged!"
18. Next Tuesday at 11:30, Mona \_\_\_\_\_ (presenting) her research findings to the Board of Directors.

42 marks
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**B. Complete by adding the correct preposition. Choose between At/On/By/In/To.**

I love spending time with my daughter. Our last holiday together was \_\_\_\_\_ April. We went \_\_\_\_\_ Paris, \_\_\_\_\_ a mum-and-daughter trip, with some of her friends and their mothers. As soon as we arrived \_\_\_\_\_ Charles de Gaulle airport the girls were bursting with joy. We decided to go to the hotel \_\_\_\_\_ train as it would be quicker. Of course, they never stopped singing on the way even though we boarded the train \_\_\_\_\_ midnight. Our hotel was in the heart of the city \_\_\_\_\_ 20 Rue de l'Arcade, a street right behind the Louvres. The funniest moment was when we visited the Eiffel Tower early \_\_\_\_\_ the morning, \_\_\_\_\_ 30/3/22. It was snowing heavily, and we were \_\_\_\_\_ the top floor; we had to call the paramedics to rescue one of the other mums, whose nose got stuck on the freezing rail while posing for a picture. We just couldn't stop

laughing! Every day, we had a new set of pictures printed. The receptionist was kind enough to take them \_\_\_\_\_ the photo studio across the street, and always told us in a melodic voice “*They’ll be ready \_\_\_\_\_ an hour*”, but they never were! We took a lot of photos, as we loved exploring Paris \_\_\_\_\_ foot. Anyway, \_\_\_\_\_ day was special. Our next holiday will be \_\_\_\_\_ Easter, 2024, so \_\_\_\_\_ two years’ time. I can’t wait!

14 marks

**C. Change the following active sentences into passive:**

1. Last night, the government donated 20 paintings to the National Gallery.  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. The Pincipal has just announced the results of the School Council elections.  
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3. All students must wear school uniform.  
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4. The English Department is currently preparing the Final Exams.  
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8 marks

**D. Read the sentences below and write the appropriate wish:**

1. You are hopeless at mathematics and you would like to improve soon.  
You say, “\_\_\_\_\_.”
2. You didn’t take your friend’s advice and now you regret it.  
You say, “\_\_\_\_\_.”

4 marks

**E. Complete the following *conditional sentences* by putting the verbs in brackets into the correct tense:**

1. If you throw salt on ice, it \_\_\_\_\_ (melt).
2. If my boss \_\_\_\_\_ (approve), we'll attend the international accounting conference next year.
3. If she \_\_\_\_\_ (revise) for the exams, she would have passed. It’s a shame she gave up so easily.

6 marks

**F. Circle the right answer:**

1. Select the base word of the noun STILLNESS
  - a) still
  - b) stillness
  - c) unstill
  
2. Select the suffixed noun of the word: HAPPY
  - a) happyness
  - b) happiness
  - c) happier
  
3. I have been to both my \_\_\_\_ weddings. I still can't believe he got married twice!
  - a) brothers'
  - b) brother's
  - c) brothers
  
4. There was a mess in the kitchen that needed to be cleaned up \_\_\_\_ unwashed dishes, cutlery scattered around, flour all over the stove, and old stains of oil covering the curtains.
  - a) ;
  - b) :
  - c) ,
  
5. Select the appropriate Imperative Verb: \_\_\_\_\_ the dishes, please.
  - a) Wash
  - b) Don't
  - c) Can you wash
  
6. Some people cook at home \_\_\_\_ others order delivery.
  - a) .
  - b) :
  - c) ;

6 marks

**End of Section 1**  
**Total: 80 marks**

## Section 2

### Reading Comprehension

***Read the article below, and answer the questions that follow:***

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#### **Cyprus to host EuroBasket 2025 group in Limassol**

29 March 2022



Tuesday 29<sup>TH</sup> March, 2022, marked a historic day for Cypriot sports as the FIBA Europe Board of Directors entrusted Cyprus with hosting one of the four groups of EuroBasket 2025. This will be the biggest sporting event ever to take place in Cyprus, with the games to be held at the Spyros Kyprianou Stadium in Limassol. EuroBasket 2025 is set to take place in September, but exact dates have not yet been set for the event.

Latvia, Hungary, Russia and Ukraine submitted bids for the Group Phase and also for the Final Phase of the event. Cyprus and Finland only placed bids to organize the Group phase, and both won their bids. Latvia will host one group phase and the final phase of EuroBasket 2025, the FIBA Europe Board decided. The three countries do not share any borders, but are set to come together to stage European men's basketball's marquee event. For Cyprus, whose member of delegation is Panathinaikos OPAP Athens GM Dimitris Diamantidis, this was their first-ever attempt to host a FIBA event.

According to a press release by the Cyprus Basketball Federation, this decision is the result of many months of intensive work, adding that the federation has had the full support of the government, the Cyprus Sports Organisation, the Limassol Municipality and the Cyprus Olympic Committee.

It is also stressed that the Cyprus national team will compete in EuroBasket 2025 as the host country. This is the first time that the National Team of any team sport in Cyprus will participate in the final phase of a European event.

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“FIBA Europe`s decision to entrust the CBF with the organisation of a group of EuroBasket 2025 shows the very good work that has been done in our country in recent years, as well as the excellent relations that have been built between the CBF and the European federation,” the statement concludes.



Qualification for EuroBasket 2025 started in November. All candidate countries submitted their bid dossier in August 2021, after lengthy preparations. In his aim to promote Cyprus and convince the FIBA Europe Board of Directors, the President of the Cyprus Bid Committee for EuroBasket 2025 stated in his address:

*“With the sparkle of the clear blue Mediterranean waters, the cosmopolitan lifestyle, world class resorts and a wealth of historical and cultural heritage, Cyprus is undeniably equipped to offer an unforgettable experience to the travelling spectators and the participating teams of FIBA EuroBasket 2025. The most significant sporting event ever to be hosted in the country, will be wholeheartedly embraced by the people of the island who take pride in the beauty of our land, and cherish opportunities to demonstrate their sincere hospitality. The already established commitment and valued support from the highest levels of state and municipal*

officials, ensures that organizing EuroBasket 2025 will constitute a priority for the country.

To our nation, however, EuroBasket 2025 is not just about the week the Group Phase games will be played. If we are honoured to be selected as Host Country one of our main goals will be the social legacy that will remain. We aspire that the world class sporting venue to be created will play host to further major sporting events. With a series of campaign side events leading up to and after the main event, we aim for EuroBasket 2025 to act as a springboard for youth basketball engagement, a promotion of fair play and a celebration of intercultural awareness.

It will be an honour and an exciting privilege to welcome you all to the jewel of the Mediterranean, Cyprus!"

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### Part 1- Comprehension

1. What is the significance of 29/3/22 in Cypriot sports? Why was this particularly important for the island?

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2. How many countries did Cyprus compete against in the bids to host the Group Phase?

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3. Where will the Final Phase of EuroBasket 2025 be held?

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4. Which local authorities contributed to the success of the Cyprus bid?

- \_\_\_\_\_
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5. How will the National Basketball Team be affected in 2025? Why is this particularly important?

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6. When was the application for Cyprus submitted?

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## Part 2 – Analysis

**Read the address of the President of the Cyprus Bid Committee for EuroBasket 2025, and answer the questions that follow:**

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1. Who is the target audience of the President?

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2. What is the author's purpose in this address?

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3. *"The most significant sporting event ever to be hosted in the country, will be wholeheartedly embraced by the people of the island who take pride in the beauty of our land, and cherish opportunities to demonstrate their sincere hospitality"*

:: Which Persuasive Device has the author used in this quote?

:: What effect does it have on the reader?

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4. *“...we aim for EuroBasket 2025 to act as a springboard for youth basketball engagement, a promotion of fair play and a celebration of intercultural awareness.”*

:: Which Persuasive Device has the author used in this quote?

:: What effect does it have on the reader?

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5. *“It will be an honour and an exciting privilege to welcome you all to the jewel of the Mediterranean, Cyprus!”*

:: Which Persuasive Device(s) has the author used in this quote?

:: What effect does it have on the reader?

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**End of Section 2**  
**Total: 50 marks**

**SECTION 3  
COMPOSITION**

Answer **ONE** of the following topics:

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**EITHER:**

**1) Write a persuasive speech of 150- 180 words:**

**Audience:** Year 1 students of Secondary School

**Topic:** Never give up! No matter what!

You might wish to address challenges often encountered by Year 1 students, like:

- Making new friends
- Adjusting to all lessons taught in English
- Managing immense workload

**OR**

**2) Write an argumentative article for your school magazine of 150-180 words:**

**Audience:** Students, parents, and teachers of your school

**Topic:** Two-month summer holidays are too long. Schools should only have a two-week summer break.

You might wish to address the following topics:

- Quality time spent with family
- Problems with childcare and supervision of younger children
- Time spent productively/unproductively

*Remember to include:*

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- *At least 4 persuasive devices*
  - *Linking Words*
  - *Rich vocabulary*
  - *Good expression*
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**End of Section 3**  
**Total: 100 marks**

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