

Grammar Practice Sheet

Name	Class	Date

Directions

Write two sentences for each grammatical feature — the English first, then your ASL gloss underneath. The note under each heading tells you what to include. You do not have to finish all twenty in one sitting; your teacher will tell you which sections to complete.

Questions and negation

1 Yes/no questions

Eye brows up, head forward, hold the last sign.

ENGLISH

ASL

ENGLISH

ASL

2 WH questions

Eye brows down, wh-word at the end.

ENGLISH

ASL

ENGLISH

ASL

3 Rhetorical questions

Wh-word, but eye brows up — then answer it yourself.

ENGLISH

ASL

ENGLISH

ASL

4 Negation

Headshake, the sign NOT, or negative incorporation.

ENGLISH

ASL

ENGLISH

ASL

Sentence structure

5 Declarative sentences

Topic first, then the comment about it.

ENGLISH

ASL

ENGLISH

ASL

6 Double pronouns

The same pronoun opens and closes the sentence.

ENGLISH

ASL

ENGLISH

ASL

7 Conditionals

Brow raise across the if-clause, pause, then the result.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

8 Conjunctions

WHY, HAPPEN, WRONG — or just a pause and a body shift.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

Time

9 Past time indicators

YESTERDAY, BEFORE, LAST YEAR — time goes first.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

10 Future time indicators

TOMORROW, NEXT WEEK, WILL — time goes first.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

11 Number incorporation

Build 1–9 into WEEK, MONTH, YEAR, or age.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

12 Frequency

EVERY — note whether the motion repeats or sweeps once.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

Space and reference

13 Indexing and pronouns

Set a referent in space, then point back to it.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

14 Classifiers

CL:1, CL:3, CL:B — name the one you used.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

15 Directional verbs

GIVE, HELP, ASK, TELL — direction shows who and whom.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

16 Contrastive structure

One idea on the left, the other on the right.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

Expression and detail

17 Non-manual markers

Write what your face is doing, not just your hands.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

18 Role shift

Two characters — shift your body for each one.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

19 Plurality

A number, a quantifier, or repetition of the noun.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

20 Listing

LIST-1, LIST-2, LIST-3 on your non-dominant hand.

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____

ENGLISH _____

ASL _____