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# STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRES 

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## Student Questionnaire - Grade 4

## SECTION 3: Core Items

In this section, please tell us about yourself and your family. The section has 11 questions. Mark your answers in your booklet.

1. Are you Hispanic or Latino? Fill in one or more ovals. [4/8/12] (Vвз31330)

A No, I am not Hispanic or Latino.
B Yes, I am Mexican, Mexican American, or Chicano.
C Yes, I am Puerto Rican or Puerto Rican American.
D Yes, I am Cuban or Cuban American.
E Yes, I am from some other Hispanic or Latino background.
2. Which of the following best describes you? Fill in one or more ovals. [4/8/12] (VB331331)

A White
B Black or African American
C Asian
D American Indian or Alaska Native
E Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

For the rest of the questions in this section, fill in only one oval for each question.
3. Does your family get a newspaper at least four times a week? [4/8/12] (vB331333)

A Yes
B No
C I don't know.
4. Does your family get any magazines regularly? [4/8/12] (VB331334)

A Yes
B No
C I don't know.
5. About how many books are there in your home? [4/8/12] (vB331335)

A Few (0-10)
B Enough to fill one shelf (11-25)
C Enough to fill one bookcase (26-100)
D Enough to fill several bookcases (more than 100)
6. Is there a computer at home that you use? [4/8/12] (vB331336)

A Yes
B No
7. Is there an encyclopedia in your home? It could be a set of books, or it could be on the computer. [4/8/12] (vB331337)

A Yes
B No
C I don't know.
8. About how many pages a day do you have to read in school and for homework? [4/8/12] (TB001101)

A 5 or fewer
B 6-10
C $11-15$
D 16-20
E More than 20
9. How often do you talk about things you have studied in school with someone in your family? [4/8/12] (vв331339)

A Never or hardly ever
B Once every few weeks
C About once a week
D Two or three times a week
E Every day
10. How many days were you absent from school in the last month? [4/8/12] (VB331447)

A None
B 1 or 2 days
C 3 or 4 days
D 5 to 10 days
E More than 10 days
11. How often do people in your home talk to each other in a language other than English? [4/8/12] (VB331451)

A Never
B Once in a while
C About half of the time
D All or most of the time

## Student Questionnaire - Grade 4 <br> SECTION 4: Reading

This section has 28 questions. Mark your answers in your booklet. Fill in only one oval for each question.

1. How often do you feel you learn a lot when you read books? (New) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
2. How often do you feel reading is one of your favorite subjects? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
3. How often do you use either the school library or the public library to get information for a school project or homework? (NEW) [4/8]

A Never or hardly ever
B Once or twice a month
C Once or twice a week
D Every day or almost every day
4. How often do you use either the school library or the public library to get information for your own use? (NEW) [4/8]

A Never or hardly ever
B Once or twice a month
C Once or twice a week
D Every day or almost every day
5. Do you study or do work for reading at an after-school or tutoring program? (New) [4] Student Reading-Gr. 4

A Yes
B No
6. In your school, do you go to book clubs, competitions, fairs, or exhibits for reading? (NEW) [4]

A Yes
B No
7. How often do you read for fun on your own time? (vB345692) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Once or twice a month
C Once or twice a week
D Almost every day
8. How often do you talk with your friends or family about something you have read? (VB345693) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Once or twice a month
C Once or twice a week
D Almost every day
9. How often does your teacher ask you to make a presentation to the class about something that you have read? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
10. How often does your teacher ask you to read articles or stories in a magazine or in newspapers? (New) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
11. How often does your teacher ask you to read aloud? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
12. How often does your teacher ask you to read silently? (NEw) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
13. How often does your teacher ask you to read a book you have chosen yourself? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
14. How often does your teacher ask you to write something about what you have read? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
15. For school this year, how often do you work in pairs or small groups to talk about something that you have read? (VB345704) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B A few times a year
C Once or twice a month
D At least once a week
16. For school this year, how often do you have a class discussion about something that the class has read? (vB345703) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B A few times a year
C Once or twice a month
D At least once a week
17. When you have reading assignments in school, how often does your teacher give you time to read books you have chosen yourself? (VB429518) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Once or twice a month
C Once or twice a week
D Almost every day
18. When reading a story in class, how often does your teacher ask you to explain the story in your own words? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
19. When reading a story in class, how often does your teacher ask you to talk about what the characters do and feel? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
20. When reading a story in class, how often does your teacher ask you to talk about how you feel about the story? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
21. For school this year, how often have you been asked to write long answers to questions on tests or assignments that involved reading? (vB345715) [4/8]

A Never
B Once or twice this year
C Once or twice a month
D At least once a week
22. This school year, did your teacher ask you to use a computer to learn new words? (NEW) [4]

A Yes
B No
23. This school year, did your teacher ask you to use a computer to practice spelling and grammar? (NEW) [4]

A Yes
B No
24. This school year, did your teacher ask you to use a computer to write stories or reports? (NEW) [4]

A Yes
B No
25. This school year, did your teacher ask you to read books on the computer? (NEW) [4]

A Yes
B No
26. How hard was this test compared to most other tests you have taken this year in school? (VB595182) [4/8/12]

A Easier than other tests
B About as hard as other tests
C Harder than other tests
D Much harder than other tests
27. How hard did you try on this test compared to how hard you tried on most other tests you have taken this year in school? (vc034559) [4/8/12]

A Not as hard as on other tests
B About as hard as on other tests
C Harder than on other tests
D Much harder than on other tests
28. How important was it to you to do well on this test? (VB595184) [4/8/12]

A Not very important
B Somewhat important
C Important
D Very important

# Student Questionnaire - Grade 4 SECTION 4: Mathematics 

This section has 25 questions. Mark your answers in your booklet. Fill in only one oval for each question.

1. How often do you use a computer for math at school? (VB525162) [4/8]

A Never or hardly ever
B Once every few weeks
C About once a week
D Two or three times a week
E Every day or almost every day
2. Do you use a computer for math homework at home? (NEW) [4/8]

A Yes
B No
3. Do you use the Internet at home? (vC189591) [4/8/12]

A Yes
B No

Questions 4-25. For the following questions, think about all the times you do things for math. Include things you do at home, at school, or anywhere else.
4. Do you use a computer to practice or drill on math? (VB525166) [4]

A Yes
B No
5. Do you use a computer to play math games? (vB525172) [4]

A Yes
B No
6. Do you use a computer to make charts or graphs for math? (VB525168) [4]

A Yes
B No
7. Do you use the Internet to learn things about math? (VB525170) [4]

A Yes
B No
8. How often do you use e-mail, instant messages, blogs, chat rooms, or text messages to talk online with friends about math work? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Once or twice a month
C Once or twice a week
D Every day or almost every day
9. How often do you use e-mail, instant messages, blogs, chat rooms, or text messages to ask your teacher questions about your math homework? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Once or twice a month
C Once or twice a week
D Every day or almost every day
10. How often do you use e-mail, instant messages, blogs, chat rooms, or text messages to get help with math from someone other than your teacher, family, classmates, or friends? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Once or twice a month
C Once or twice a week
D Every day or almost every day
11. How often do you use a calculator? (VB525173) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Once in a while
C Almost every day
12. What kind of calculator do you normally use? (VB525174) [4]

A I don't have a calculator.
B Regular calculator (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division)
C Graphing calculator
13. Have you ever used a graphing calculator? (VB525171) [4]

A Yes
B No
C I don't know what a graphing calculator is.
14. When you take a math test or quiz, how often do you use a calculator? (vB517158) [4/8]

A Never
B Sometimes
C Always
15. Do you study or do work for math at an after-school or tutoring program? (vc290281) [4/8]

A Yes
B No
16. How often do you feel your math classwork is too hard? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
17. How often do you feel your math classwork is too easy? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
18. How often do you like what you do in class for math? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
19. How often do you feel you can do a good job on your math tests? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
20. How often do you feel you can do a good job on your math assignments? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
21. How often do you feel you like math? (New) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
22. How often do you feel math is one of your favorite subjects? (NEW) [4]

A Never or hardly ever
B Sometimes
C Often
D Always or almost always
23. How hard was this test compared to most other tests you have taken this year in school? (VB595182) [4/8/12]

A Easier than other tests
B About as hard as other tests
C Harder than other tests
D Much harder than other tests
24. How hard did you try on this test compared to how hard you tried on most other tests you have taken this year in school? (VC034559) [4/8/12]

A Not as hard as on other tests
B About as hard as on other tests
C Harder than on other tests
D Much harder than on other tests
25. How important was it to you to do well on this test? (VB595184) [4/8/12]

A Not very important
B Somewhat important
C Important
D Very important

