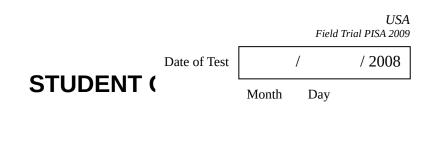
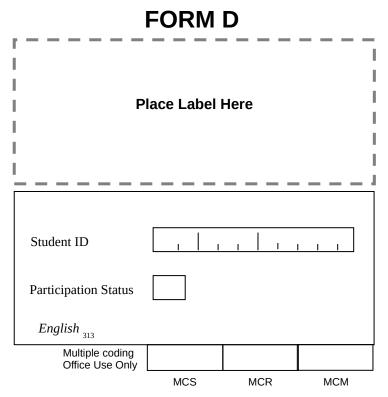


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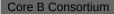




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In this booklet you will find questions about:

- You
- Your family and your home
- Your reading activities
- Learning time
- Classroom and school climate
- Your English classes
- Libraries
- Your strategies in reading and understanding texts

In some of the questions you will be asked about *reading*. We specifically mean by reading the skill to understand, use and think about *written* texts. This skill is needed to reach one's goals, to develop one's knowledge and potential, and to take part in society.

Please read each question carefully and answer as accurately as you can. In the test you usually circled your answers. For this questionnaire, you will normally answer by checking a box. For a few questions you will need to write a short answer.

If you make a mistake when checking a box, cross out or erase your mistake and mark the correct box. If you make an error when writing an answer, simply cross it out and write the correct answer next to it.

In this questionnaire, there are no right or wrong answers. Your answers should be the ones that are right for you.

You may ask for help if you do not understand something or are not sure how to answer a question.

Your answers will be combined with others to make totals and averages in which no individual can be identified. All your answers will be kept confidential.

ABOUT YOU

ST01

grade		
How long have you been	in this school?	
(Please check only one box)		
Less than one year		
One to two years		
Three to four years		
More than four years		
On what date were you bo	orn?	
(Please write the month, day,	and year you were born)	

Q4	Are you female or male?		
	Female Male \square_1 \square_2		
			ST04a
Q5	Which best describes you?		
	(Please check only one box)		
	I am Hispanic or Latino		
	I am <u>not Hispanic or Latino</u>		
			ST04b
Q6	What of these categories best de	escribes your race?	
	(Please check one or more)		
	American Indian or Alaskan Native		
	Asian		
	Black or African American		
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander		
	White		

Q7 What is the highest grade or level of school you expect to complete?

(Please check only one box)	
Less than high school	
High school	
Vocational or technical certificate (such as cosmetology or auto mechanics)	
Associate's degree (2-year degree from a community college)	\square_4
Bachelor's degree (4-year college degree)	
Master's degree	
Doctoral or professional degree such as medicine or law	

YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR HOME

In this section you will be asked some questions about your family and your home.

Some of the following questions are about your mother and father or those persons who are like a mother or father to you — for example, guardians, step-parents, foster parents, etc.

If you share your time with more than one set of parents or guardians, please answer the following questions for those parents/guardians you spend the most time with.

ST09(1)

Q8 What is your mother's main job?

(e.g. school teacher, cook, sales manager)

(If she is not working now, please tell us her last main job)

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ST09(2)

Q9 What does your mother do in her main job?

(e.g. teaches high school students, helps prepare meals in a restaurant, manages a sales team)

Please use a sentence to describe the kind of work she does or did in that iob.

Q10 What is the highest level of schooling (not including college) completed by your mother?

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		(Please check only one box)						
		She completed grade 12 (high school diploma or GED)						
		She completed grade 9						
		She completed grade 6						
		She completed grade 5 or less						
								ST1
Q11		Does your mother have any of the certificates or diplomas?	e fol	lowing d	egrees,			
		If you are not sure how to answer administrator for help.	this	question,	please	ask	the	tes
		(Please check one box in each row)						
			Yes	No				
	a)	Bachelor's (4-year college degree), master's, doctoral, or professional degree such as medicine or law						
	b)	Associate's degree (2-year degree from a community college)						
	c)	Vocational or technical certificate/diploma after high school (such as cosmetology or						
		auto mechanics)						

Q12	What is your mother currently doing?
	(Please check only one box)
	Working full-time for pay
	Working part-time for pay
	Not working, but looking for a job \square_{ϑ}
	Other (e.g. home duties, retired)
	ST13(1)
Q13	What is your father's main job? (e.g. school teacher, cook, sales manager)
	(If he is not working now, please tell us his last main job)
	Please write in the job title.
	ST13(2)
Q14	What does your father do in his main job? (e.g. teaches high school students, helps prepare meals in a restaurant, manages a sales team)
	Please use a sentence to describe the kind of work he does or did in that job.

Q15 What is the highest level of schooling (not including college) completed by your father?

		If you are not sure how to answer administrator for help. (Please check only one box)	this	question,	please	ask	the	tes
		He completed grade 12 (high school diploma or GED)						
		He completed grade 9						
		He completed grade 6	\square_3					
		He completed grade 5 or less						
								ST1
Q16		Does your father have any of the or diplomas?	follo	owing de	grees,	certi	fica	tes
Q16		-						
Q16		or diplomas? If you are not sure which box to choos						
Q16		or diplomas? If you are not sure which box to choos for help.		ease ask				
Q16	a)	or diplomas? If you are not sure which box to choos for help.	se, pl	ease ask				
Q16	a) b)	or diplomas? If you are not sure which box to choose for help. (Please check one box in each row) Bachelor's (4-year college degree), master's, doctoral, or professional degree	se, pl	ease ask				

Q17 What is your father currently doing?

(Please check only one box)	
Working full-time for pay	
Working part-time for pay	2
Not working, but looking for a job	
Other (e.g. home duties, retired)	

Q18 Which of the following are in your home?

		Yes	No
a)	A desk to study at		
b)	A room of your own		
c)	A quiet place to study		
d)	A computer you can use for school work		
e)	Educational software		
f)	A link to the Internet		
g)	Classic literature (e.g. Shakespeare)		
h)	Books of poetry		
i)	Works of art (e.g. paintings)		
j)	Books to help with your school work		
k)	A dictionary		
l)	A dishwasher		
m)	A DVD player		
n)	A guest room		
o)	A high-speed internet connection		
p)	An iPod or MP3 player		

Q19 How many of these are there at your home?

				None	One	Two	Three or more
	a)	Cellular phones					
	b)	Television sets					
	c)	Computers					
	d)	Cars					
	e)	Rooms with a bath or shower					
							ST22
Q20		How many books are the	re in your	home'	?		
		There are usually about 44 magazines, newspapers, or yo	_		shelving	. Do not	include
		(Please check only one box.)					
		0-10 books					
		11-25 books					
		26-100 books	\square_3				
		101-200 books	4				
		201-500 books	₅				
		More than 500 books	6				

YOUR READING ACTIVITIES

The questions in this section are mainly about your reading activities outside school.

ST25

Q21 How often do you read these materials because you want to?

	Never or almost never	A few times a year	About once a month	Several times a month	Several times a week
a) Magazines				4	5
b) Comic books				4	
c) Fiction (novels, narratives, stories)				4	5
d) Non-fiction books			\square_3	4	
e) Newspapers			\square_3	4	5
f) Manuals, instructions, directions				4	
g) Tables, graphs, diagrams, maps			\square_3	4	
h) Science fiction			\square_3	4	5
i) Subtitles on television					

Q22 How often are you involved in the following <u>online</u> reading activities?

(Please check only one box in each row. If you don't know what the activity is check "I don't know what it is.")

		I don't know			C 1	C 1
		what it is	Never or almost never	Several times a month	Several times a week	Several times a day
a)	Reading emails					5
b)	Chat on line (e.g. MSN®)					
c)	Reading online news				4	
d)	Reading online information about music, cinema, DVDs, video games or books				4	
e)	Reading comics online					5
f)	Using an online dictionary or encyclopedia (e.g. Wikipedia®)					
g)	Searching online information to learn about a particular topic					5
h)	Using text messages / SMS					
i)	Taking part in online group discussions or forums					5
j)	Shopping online					
k)	Searching for practical information online (e.g. schedules, events, tips, recipes)					

LEARNING TIME

ST28

Q23	How many minutes, on average, are there in a class period for the subject of English? (English classes may include those in literature, creative writing, journalism, etc.)					
	Minutes in a class period:	Minutes				
		ST29				
Q24	How many class periods per week do you type for the subject of English?	oically have				
	Number of class periods per week:	class periods				
		ST30				
Q25	In a normal, full week at school, how many cl do you have in total?	ass periods				
	Number of ALL class periods (including your English classes):	class periods				

Q26 On average, how much time do you spend *each week* on homework and study for the subject of English?

(Please check only one box)

I do not spend time on homework and study for the subject of English	
Less than 1 hour a week	
Between 1 and 3 hours a week	3
3 or more hours a week	

Q27 What type of out-of-school-time lessons do you attend currently?

These are lessons **in subjects that you are learning at school**, that you spend learning extra time outside of normal school hours. The lessons may be given at your school, at your home or somewhere else. These are **only** lessons in subjects that you also learn at school.

		Yes	IVO
a)	Enrichment lessons in English		
b)	Enrichment lessons in other school subjects		
c)	Remedial lessons in English		
d)	Remedial lessons in other school subjects		
e)	Lessons to improve your study skills		
f)	Private tutoring on a one-to-one basis		

Q28 How many hours do you typically spend per week attending out-of-school-time lessons in the subject of English (at school, at home or somewhere else)?

(Please check only one box)

I do not attend out-of-school-time lessons in the subject of English

Less than 2 hours a week

2 or more but less than 4 hours a week

4 or more but less than 6 hours a week

6 or more hours a week

Q29 During the last school year, have you participated in the following school activities outside normal class time?

		Yes	No
a)	School band, orchestra, choir		
b)	School play or musical		
c)	Student government, e.g. member of student council or class representative		
d)	School yearbook, newspaper, magazine		
e)	Volunteering or service activities		
f)	Academic club or competition, e.g. debate, foreign language, math or science		
g)	Art club or art activities		
h)	Sporting team or sporting activities		
i)	Computer or technology club		
j)	Book club		

YOUR ENGLISH CLASSES

ST37

Q30 How often do these things happen in your English classes?

	Never or hardly ever	In some classes	In most classes	In all classes
a) Students don't listen to what the teacher says.	r 		\square_3	
b) There is noise and disorder.			$\square_{_3}$	
c) The teacher has to wait a long time for the students to quiet down.				
d) Students cannot work well.				
e) Students don't start working for a long time after the class begins.				

Q31 In your English classes, how often does the following occur?

	Never or hardly ever	In some classes	In most classes	In all classes
a) Students work together in pairs or in small groups.			3	
b) The teacher places students who have good grades and students who have poor grades in English in different groups.				
c) The teacher provides students who have poor grades in English with easier texts and books than students who have good grades in English				4
d) The teacher allows students who have poor grades in English more time to read texts and books than students who have good grades in English				
e) Students who have good grades in English receive more difficult assignments or homework than students who have poor grades in English.				
f) Groups are composed on the basis of students' reading interest, e.g. their preference for a particular author, novels, poems, plays, newspapers.				

Q32 In your English classes, how often does the following occur?

	Never or hardly ever	In some classes	In most classes	In all classes
a) The English teacher sits or stands in front of the classroom and teaches all students the same thing at the same time.				
b) Students in English classes are grouped on the basis of their achievements, e.g. highachieving students are in one group, average students are in a second group, and the others are in a third group.				
c) Students in English classes are grouped according to their interests or preferences.			$\square_{_3}$	
d) Students in English classes work individually on assignments.				

Q33 In your English classes, how often does the following occur?

	Never or hardly ever	In some classes	In most classes	In all classes
a) The teacher asks students to explain the meaning of a text.				
b) The teacher asks questions that challenge students to get a better understanding of a text.				
c) The teacher gives students enough time to think about their answers.				
d) The teacher encourages students to borrow books from the school or public library.			3	
e) The teacher recommends a book or author to read.				
f) The teacher encourages students to express their opinion about a text.				

Q34 How often do you do the following at your school?

Please note that this question does not refer specifically to your English classes. We should like to know if the activities mentioned below occur in any of the classes you attend.

		Never or hardly ever	Once or twice a month	Once or twice a week	Almost every day
a)	Do a group assignment or project about something that you have read.				
b)	Read books you have chosen yourself.				
c)	Talk to other students about what you have read.				
d)	Write something about what you have read.				4
e)	Have a class discussion about a book, poem, play or article.				
f)	Work in pairs or small groups to talk about something you have read.				
g)	Give an oral presentation to the class about something that you have read.			\square_3	
h)	Work on a book report.				

YOUR STRATEGIES IN READING AND UNDERSTANDING TEXTS

There are several approaches to studying and understanding texts. Some of them are more useful than others, depending on the kind of reading task. The next six questions present a number of reading tasks, followed by a list of these approaches or "strategies". We want to know your opinion about the usefulness of these strategies for the different reading tasks.

Each of the six questions starts with a short description of a particular reading task. Then several possible reading strategies are listed. Think about the usefulness of each of the strategies in relation to the given reading task only. Some strategies may be useful for one reading task but not for another.

Give a score between 1 and 6 to every strategy. A score of 1 means you think it is not a useful strategy at all for this reading task. A score of 6 means you think it is a very useful strategy for this reading task.

You can use the same score more than once if you think two or more strategies are similarly useful, but please check only one box in each row.

Here is an example question that a student has completed. (This example is about playing table tennis, not reading.)

Example Question

Task: You want to improve at playing table tennis so you can win a local competition.How do you rate the usefulness of the following strategies for improving at playing table tennis?

	Possible strategy	Score					
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
		not useful					very
		at all					useful
a)	I read a book about table tennis technique.		X				
b)	I practice playing table tennis against a friend as often as possible.						X
c)	I do general fitness exercises every morning.				X		
d)	I watch expert players and try to figure out their techniques.				X		

Q35 Reading task: You have to answer several multiple-choice questions related to a particular text. Four alternatives are given for each question. You have unlimited time and you may refer to the text while you are answering the questions.

How do you rate the usefulness of the following strategies for answering the multiple-choice questions?

	Possible strategy	Score					
		Not use all	ful at			Ve	ry usefu
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
a)	I carefully read the part of the text that is relevant to each question.				4	5	6
b)	I read every alternative for each question to check which of them can be excluded as wrong.				4	5	6
c)	If I do not immediately know the answer to a multiple-choice question, I skip this question until later.						6
d)	When answering the multiple-choice questions, I only look at the parts of the text that I have understood.						6
e)	I read each multiple-choice question thoroughly and check which parts of the text the question refers to.						6
f)	If I do not understand a multiple- choice question, I try to find a pattern among the alternative answers.						

Thank you very much for your co-operation in completing this questionnaire!