APPENDIX C PIRLS Background Questionnaires

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PROGRESS IN INTERNATIONAL READING LITERACY STUDY

School Questionnaire

Grade 4

National Center for Education Statistics, PCP 550 12th St., SW, 4th floor Washington, DC 20024



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School Questionnaire

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This questionnaire is addressed to school principals and department heads who are asked to supply information about their schools. Since your school has been selected as part of a nationwide sample, your responses are very important in helping to describe primary/elementary education in the United States.

It is important that you answer each question carefully so that the information provided reflects the situation in your school as accurately as possible. Some of the questions will require that you look up school records, so you may wish to arrange for the assistance of another staff member to help provide this information.

Since PIRLS is an international study and all countries are using the same questionnaire, you may find that some of the questions seem unusual or are not entirely relevant to you or schools in the United States. Nevertheless, it is important that you do your best to answer all of the questions so comparisons can be made across countries in the study.

It is estimated that you will need approximately 30 minutes to complete this questionnaire. We appreciate the time and effort that this takes and thank you for your cooperation and contribution.

When you have completed the questionnaire, please place it in the accompanying envelope and return it to the PIRLS school coordinator.

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Thank you.

School Enrollment and Characteristics

What is the total enrollment of students in your school as of March 1, 2016?

_____ students Write in the number.

What is the total enrollment of fourth grade students in your school as of March 1, 2016?

_____ students Write in the number.

Approximately what percentage of students in your school have the following backgrounds?

Check **one** circle for each line.

	0 to 10%
	11 to 25%
	26 to 50%
	More than 50%
a) Come from economically disadvantaged homes (0-0-0
o) Come from economically affluent homes(0-0-0

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A. Approximately what percentage of students in your school have English as their native language?

Check one circle only	′ .
More than 90%	
76 to 90%	
51 to 75%	
26 to 50% (

B. Of the students currently enrolled in your school, what percentage have been identified as limited-English proficient (LEP)/English Language Learners (ELL)?

25% or less --- (

Check **one** circle only.

0%	
1 to 5% 🔘	
6 to 10%	
11 to 25%	
26 to 50%	
51 to 75%	
76 to 90%	
Over 90%	

where your school is located?

50,001 to 100,000 people ---

30,001 to 50,000 people ---

15,001 to 30,000 people ---

3,001 to 15,000 people ---

3,000 people or fewer ---

B. Which best describes the immediate area in which your school is located?

Check one circle only.

Urban—Densely populated ---

Suburban—On fringe or outskirts of urban area ---

Medium size city or large town ---

Small town or village ---

Remote rural ---

C. Which best characterizes the average income level of the population in the school's immediate area?

Check one circle only.

Medium ---

Low --- (

What type of school is this?

Check one circle only.

Regular public school -- (

A regular public school with a magnet program --

A magnet school or school with a special program emphasis (e.g., Montessori, science/math school, performing arts school, talented/gifted school,

foreign language immersion school, etc.) -- (

Special education: a school that primarily serves students with disabilities --

Alternative: a school designed to address the needs of students, typically at risk of educational failure, which cannot be met in regular schools --

Vocational --

Charter School --

Private (independent) --

Private (religiously affiliated) --

Other --

a)

b)

Does your school provide free meals for students?

Check **one** circle for each line.

Yes, for all students

•	co, for all stauchts
	Yes, for some students
	No
Breakfast)-0-0
Lunch	$)-\bigcirc-\bigcirc$

Around the first of October 2015, what percentage of students at this school were eligible to receive free or reduced-price lunches through the National **School Lunch Program?**

percentage of students

Write in the number.

Instructional Time

For the fourth grade students in your school:

A. How many days per year is your school open for instruction?

	days
Write in the nu	ımber.

B. What is the total instructional time, excluding breaks, in a typical day?

minutes
Write in the number of minutes per day.
Please convert the number of hours into minutes.

C. In one calendar week, how many days is the school open for instruction?

Check one circle only.

6 days 🔘
5 1/2 days 🔘
5 days 🔘
4 1/2 days 🔘
4 days
Other

A. Does your school provide a place where students can work on their schoolwork before or after school?

Check one circle only.
Yes (
No O
(If No, go to #11)

If Yes,

B. Is someone available to assist them with their schoolwork?

> Check one circle only. Yes --- () No --- ()

Does your school have a school library?

Check **one** circle only.

(If No, go to #12)

If Yes,

A. Approximately how many books (print) with different titles does your school library have (excluding magazines and periodicals)?

Check **one** circle only.

250 or fewer --- (

251–500 --- (

501–2,000 --- (

2,001–5,000 --- (

5,001–10,000 --- (

More than 10,000 ---

B. Approximately how many titles of magazines and other periodicals (print) does your school library have?

Check **one** circle only.

0 --- ()

1–5 --- ()

6–10 --- ()

11–30 --- (

31 or more --- (

C. Can students borrow print materials from the library to take home?

Check **one** circle only.

Yes --- ()

No --- 🔘

Does the school provide access to digital books?

Check **one** circle only.

No --- ()

How many computers (including tablets) does your school have for use by fourth grade students?

computers Write in the number.

How much is your school's capacity to provide instruction affected by a shortage or inadequacy of the following?

	Chec	k one c	ircle for each line
	Not	at all	
		A lit	tle
			Some
			A lot
A. General School Resources			
a) Instructional materials (e.g., textbooks)	- 🔾 -	-0-	-0-0
b) Supplies (e.g., papers, pencils, materials)	- () -		-0-0
c) School buildings and grounds	- () -	-0-	-0-0
d) Heating/cooling and lighting systems	- () -	-0-	-0-0
e) Instructional space (e.g., classrooms)	- () -	-0-	-0-0
f) Technologically competent staff	- () -	-0-	-0-0
g) Audio-visual resources for delivery of instruction (e.g., interactive white boards, digital projectors)	- () -		-0-0
h) Computer technology for teaching and learning (e.g., computers or tablets for student use)	- () -		-0-0
i) Resources for students with disabilities	- () -	-0-	-0-0
B. Resources for Reading Instruction			
a) Teachers with a specialization in reading	- () -	-0-	-0-0
b) Computer software/ applications for reading instruction	- () -	_ () -	-0-0
c) Library resources (books, ebooks, magazines, etc.)	- () -	-0-	-0-0
d) Instructional materials for reading (e.g., reading series, textbooks)	- () -		-0-0

How would you characterize each of the following within your school?

Check **one** circle for each line.

		Very	high			
			High			
				Med	ium	
					Low	
						Ver lov
a)	Teachers' understanding of the school's curricular goals -	🔾 –				
b)	Teachers' degree of success in implementing the school's curriculum	() -	- () -	-0-	-0-	
c)	Teachers' expectations for student achievement	🔾 –			-0-	
d)	Teachers' ability to inspire students	🔾 –	- () -	- () -	-0-	
e)	Collaboration between school leadership (including master teachers) and teachers to plan instruction	() -	-	-0-	-0-	
f)	Parental involvement in school activities	()	-		-0-	
g)	Parental commitment to ensure that students are ready to learn	()	-	-0-	-0-	
h)	Parental expectations for student achievement	🔾 –	-0-		-0-	
i)	Parental support for student achievement	🔾 –			-0-	
j)	Students' desire to do well in school	🔾 –	- () -	- () -	-0-	
k)	Students' ability to reach school's academic goals	🔾 –	-	-0-	-0-	
I)	Students' respect for classmates who excel academically	()	- () -	-0-	-0-	- ()

To what degree is each of the following a problem among fourth grade students in your school?

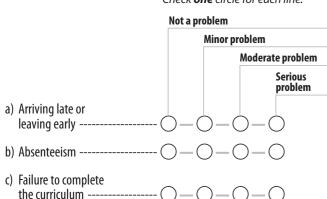
Check one circle for each line.

	,	Not a pr	oblem		
			Minor p	roblem	
				Moderate	proble
					erious roblem
a)	Arriving late at school ()-()-($\mathcal{O}-\mathcal{O}$)
b)	Absenteeism (i.e., unjustified absences) ()-()-()-C)
c)	Classroom disturbance()-()-($\supset -C$)
d)	Cheating ()-()-(\mathcal{I})
e)	Profanity ()-()-($\supset -C$)
f)	Vandalism ()-()-(\mathcal{I})
g)	Theft()-()-(\mathcal{I})
	Intimidation or verbal abuse among students (including texting, emailing, etc.) ()-()-()-C)
i)	Physical fights among students ()-()—()-C)
,	Intimidation or verbal abuse of teachers or staff (including texting, emailing, etc.)()-()—()-()

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To what degree is each of the following a problem among teachers in your school?

Check **one** circle for each line.



About how many of the students in your school can do the following when they begin the first grade of primary/elementary school?

Check **one** circle for each line.

Less than 25%	
25-50%	
51–75	%
	More than 75%
a) Recognize most of the letters of the alphabet	
b) Read some words — — — — — —	\bigcirc
c) Read sentences \bigcirc $ \bigcirc$ $ \bigcirc$ $-$	\bigcirc
d) Read a story	\bigcirc
e) Write letters of the alphabet \(\)—\(\)—\(\)—	\bigcirc
f) Write some words	\bigcirc

At which grade do the following reading skills

and strategies <u>first</u> receive a <u>major emphasis</u> in instruction in your school?

Check **one** circle for each line.

		ı	First	grad	e or e	arlier			
				S	econ	d grad	le		
						Thi	rd gra	ide	
								Four grad	
									Not in these grades
a)	Knowing letters of the alphabet	()_	- C)—		_()-	- 🔾
b)	Knowing letter-sound relationships	()-	- () —		— ()-	-
c)	Reading words	-()-	- ()—		-()-	- (
d)	Reading isolated sentences	-()-	- ()—		-()-	- (
e)	Reading connected text	-()-	- ()—		-()-	- (
f)	Locating information within the text	()-	- ()—		_()-	-0
g)	Identifying the main idea of a text	()-	- ()—		_()-	-0
h)	Explaining or supporting understanding of a text	()-	- ()—		— ()-	-0
i)	Comparing a text with personal experience	()-	- ()—		— ()-	-0
j)	Comparing different texts	-()-	- ()—		-()-	- (
k)	Making predictions about what will happen next in a text	()-	- ()—		—()-	-0
I)	Making generalizations and drawing inferences based on a text	()-	- () —		—()-	-0
m)	Describing the style or structure of a text	()-	- ()—		— ()-	-0
n)	Determining the author's perspective or intention	()-	- ()—		—()-	-0

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By the end of this school year, how many years will you have been a principal altogether?

_____years

Please **round** to the nearest whole number.

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By the end of this school year, how many years will you have been a principal at this school?

_____ years

Please **round** to the nearest whole number.

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What is the highest level of formal education you have completed?

Check **one** circle only.

Did not complete a 4-year college or university degree (i.e., Bachelor's degree)-----

Completed a 4-year college or university degree (i.e., Bachelor's degree) -----

Completed an academic Master's degree, postgraduate certificate program (e.g., teaching) or first professional degree (e.g., law, medicine, dentistry) ------

Completed a doctorate (Ph.D. or Ed.D.) -----

2:

Do you hold any of the following professional qualifications in educational leadership?

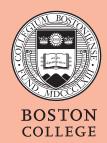
Check **one** circle for each line.

Yes

a) Certificate or license	
b) An academic Master's degree, postgraduate certificate program (e.g., teaching) or first professional degree (e.g., law, medicine, dentistry)	
c) A doctorate (Ph.D. or Ed.D.)	

Thank You

Thank you for the thought, time, and effort you have put into completing this questionnaire.



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This questionnaire is addressed to teachers of fourth grade students, and seeks information about teachers' academic and professional backgrounds, classroom resources, instructional practices, and attitudes toward teaching. Since your class has been selected as part of a nationwide sample, your responses are very important in helping to describe primary/elementary education in the United States.

Some of the questions in the questionnaire refer to the "PIRLS class" or "this class." This is the class that is identified on the front of this booklet, and which will be tested as part of PIRLS in your school. If you teach some but not all of the students in the PIRLS class, please think only of the students that you teach when answering these class-specific questions. It is important that you answer each question carefully so that the information that you provide reflects your situation as accurately as possible.

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When you have completed the questionnaire, please place it in the accompanying envelope and return it to the PIRLS school coordinator.

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Thank you.

About You

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By the end of this school year, how many years will you have been teaching altogether?	A. During your college or university education, who was your major or main area(s) of study?	at
years	Check one circle for each line.	
Please round to the nearest whole number.	Yes	
Are you female or male?	a) Education—Primary/Elementary	
Check one circle only.	b) Education—Secondary 🔾 — 🤇	
Female 🔘	c) English	
Male	d) Other 🔾 — 🔾	
How old are you?	B. As part of your formal education and/or training to what extent did you study the following areas	
Check one circle only.	Check one circle for each line.	
Under 25 (Not at all	
25–29 🔘	Overview or introduction to topic	n
30–39 🔘	It was an area of emphasis	
40–49 🔘	a) English	
50–59 🔘	b) Literature	
60 or more	c) Pedagogy/teaching reading 🔾 — 🦳	
	d) Educational psychology	
What is the <u>highest</u> level of formal education you	e) Remedial reading	
have completed?	f) Reading theory	
Check one circle only.	g) Special education	
Did not complete high school	h) Second language learning \(\)—\(\)—\(\)	
Completed high school Completed a 2-year college	i) Assessment methods	
or university degree (i.e., Associate's degree)	in reading	
Completed a 4-year college or university degree (i.e., Bachelor's degree)	j) Early childhood education — — — —	
Completed a Master's degree or professional degree (MD, DDS, lawyer, minister)		
Completed a doctorate (Ph.D. or Ed.D)		

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In the past two years, how many hours in total have you spent in <u>formal</u> professional development (e.g., workshops, seminars, lesson studies, etc.) that dealt directly with <u>reading or teaching reading</u> (e.g., reading theory, instructional methods)?

Check **one** circle only.

None	
Less than 6 hours 🔘	
6–15 hours 🔘	
16–35 hours 🔘	
More than 35 hours	

How would you characterize each of the following within your school?

Check **one** circle for each line.

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		Very l				
			High			
				Medi		
					Low	
						er ow
1)	Teachers' understanding of the school's curricular goals	-0-	-	-		
)	Teachers' degree of success in implementing the school's curriculum		-0-	-0-	-0-0)
)	Teachers' expectations for student achievement	·	-0-	- () -	-0-0)
1)	Teachers' ability to inspire students	·	-0-	- () -	-0-0)
<u>(</u>	Collaboration between school leadership (including master teachers) and teachers to plan instruction	- () –	-0-	- () -	-0-0)
)	Parental involvement in school activities	-	-0-	- O -	-0-0)
J)	Parental commitment to ensure that students are ready to learn	- () -	-0-	-0-	-0-0)
1)	Parental expectations for student achievement	-	-0-	-0-	-0-0)
)	Parental support for student achievement	-	-0-	-0-	-0-0)
)	Students' desire to do well in school	-	-O-	<u> </u>	-0-0)
()	Students' ability to reach school's academic goals	-	-0-	-0-	-0-0)
	Students' respect for classmates who excel academically	. () —	- () -	-()-	-0-0)

Thinking about your current school, indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following statements.

Check **one** circle for each line.

	Agree a lot
	Agree a little
	Disagree a little
	Disagro a lot
 a) This school is located a safe neighborhood 	in
b) I feel safe at this scho	ol
c) This school's security and practices are suff	policies icient O — O — O
d) The students behave orderly manner	in an
e) The students are resp of the teachers	ectful
f) The students respect school property	
g) This school has clear in about student conductions.	rules ct
h) This school's rules are enforced in a fair and consistent manner	

How often do you have the following types of interactions with other teachers?

Check **one** circle for each line.

Very often
Often
Sometimes
Never or almost no
learned about my teaching experiences
o) Observe another classroom to learn more about teaching
) Work together to improve how to teach a particular topic
l) Work with teachers from other schools on the curriculum
e) Work with teachers from other grades to ensure continuity in learning

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How often do you feel the following way about being a teacher?

Check **one** circle for each line.

	Very often
	Often
	Sometimes
	Never or almost n
l am content with my profession as a teacher	-0-0-0
) I find my work full of meaning and purpose	
l am enthusiastic about my job	
) My work inspires me	
) Lam proud of the work I do	

About Teaching Reading to the PIRLS Class

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A.	How many students are in this class?
	students Write in the number.
В.	How many of the students in #11A are in fourth grade?
	fourth grade students Write in the number.
2	
-	How many fourth grade students experience difficulties understanding spoken English?
	students in this class Write in the number.
3	
	How many students <u>need</u> remedial instruction in <u>reading</u> ?
Α.	in <u>reading</u> ? fourth grade students in this class
Α.	in reading? fourth grade students in this class Write in the number. How many of the students in #13A receive
A.	in reading? fourth grade students in this class Write in the number. How many of the students in #13A receive remedial instruction in reading? students
	in reading? fourth grade students in this class Write in the number. How many of the students in #13A receive remedial instruction in reading? students

In your view, to what extent do the following lim how you teach this class?	
	Check one circle for each line.

	Check one chicle for each fine.
	Not at all
	Some
	A lot
a) Students lacking prerequisite knowledge or skills	-0-0-0
b) Students suffering from lack of basic nutrition	-0-0-0
c) Students suffering from not enough sleep	-0-0-0
d) Students absent from class	-0-0-
e) Disruptive students	-0-0-
f) Uninterested students	-0-0-
g) Students with mental, emotional, or psychological impairment	-0-0-0
h) Lack of support for using information technology	-0-0-0

In a typical week, how much time do you spend on

Include instruction or activities in reading, writing,

speaking, literature, and other language skills.

English language instruction and/or activities with the students?

____ minutes per week
Write in the number of minutes per week.
Please convert the number of hours into minutes.

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Regardless of whether or not you have formally scheduled time for reading instruction, in a typical week about how much time do you spend on reading instruction and/or activities with the students?

Include things you do across curriculum areas and during formally scheduled time for reading instruction.

____ minutes per week
Write in the number of minutes per week.
Please convert the number of hours into minutes.

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When you have reading instruction and/or do reading activities, how often do you organize students in the following ways?

Check **one** circle for each line.

	Always or almost always
	Often
	Sometimes
	Never
1)	I teach reading as a whole-class activity
)	I create same-ability groups - O - O - O
)	I create mixed-ability groups O — O — O
d)	I use individualized instruction for reading
)	Students work independently on an assigned plan or goal O

Teacher Questionnaire

Teacher Questionnaire

When you have reading instruction and/or do reading activities with the students, how often do you have the students read the following types of text (in print or digitally)?

Check **one** circle for each line.

	Every day or almost every day
	Once or twice a week
	Once or twice a month
	Never or almost never
A. Literary Reading Materials	
a) Short stories (e.g., fables, fairy tales, action stories, science fiction, detective stories)	
b) Longer fiction books with chapters	-0-0-0
c) Plays	-0-0-0
B. Informational Reading Materials	
a) Nonfiction subject area books or textbooks	-0-0-0
b) Longer nonfiction books with chapters	-0-0-0
c) Nonfiction articles that describe and explain about things, people, events, or how things work (e.g., newspaper articles, brochures)	-0-0-0

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When you have reading instruction and/or do reading activities with the students, how often do you do the following?

Check **one** circle for each line.

	Every day or almost every day
	Once or twice a week
	Once or twice a month
	Never or almost never
a) Read aloud to students	0-0-0-0
b) Ask students to read aloud	$\bigcirc -\bigcirc -\bigcirc -\bigcirc$
c) Ask students to read silently on their own	0-0-0-0
d) Teach students strategies for decoding sounds and words	0-0-0-0
e) Teach students new vocabulary systematically	0-0-0
f) Teach students how to summarize the main ideas	0-0-0-0
g) Teach or model skimming or scanning strategies	$\bigcirc -\bigcirc -\bigcirc -\bigcirc$

How often do you do the following in teaching reading to this class?

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Check **one** circle for each line.

Every o	or almost every lesson
	About half the lessons
	Some lessons
	Never
a) Provide reading materials that match the students' interests	0-0-0
b) Provide materials that are appropriate for the reading levels of individual students —	0-0-0
c) Link new content to students' prior knowledge —	0-0-0
d) Encourage students to develop their understandings of the text	0-0-0
e) Encourage student discussions of texts	0-0-0
f) Encourage students to challenge the opinion expressed in the text	0-0-0
g) Use multiple perspectives (among students and texts) to enrich understanding	0-0-0
h) Give students time to read books of their own choosing —	0-0-0
i) Give individualized feedback to each student	0-0-0

How often do you ask the students to do the

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following things to help <u>develop reading</u> <u>comprehension skills or strategies?</u>

Check **one** circle for each line.

		Ever	y day or aln	nost every day
			Once o	r twice a week
				Once or twice a month
				Never almos
a)	Locate information within the text	-	-0-	0-0
b)	Identify the main ideas of what they have read	-	-0-	$\bigcirc -\bigcirc$
c)	Explain or support their understanding of what they have read	-	-0-	0-0
	Compare what they have read with experiences they have had	-	-0-	0-0
e)	Compare what they have read with other things they have read	- () -	-0-	0-0
f)	Make predictions about what will happen next in the text they are reading	-	-0-	0-0
	Make generalizations and draw inferences based on what they have read	-	-0-	0-0
h)	Describe the style or structure of the text they have read	-	-0-	0-0
	Determine the author's perspective or intention	- () =	-0-	$\bigcirc -\bigcirc$

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Check **one** circle for each line.

	Every day or almost every day		
	Once or twice a week		
	Once or twice a month		
	Never or almost never		
Write something about or in response to what they have read	-0-0-0		
b) Answer oral questions about or orally summarize what they have read	-0-0-0		
c) Talk with each other about what they have read	-0-0-0		
d) Take a written quiz or test about what they have read	-0-0-0		

A. Do the students in this class have computers (including tablets) available to use for their reading lessons?

Check **one** circle only.

Yes (
No 🔾		
(If No, go to #25)		

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B. What access do the students have to computers?

Check **one** circle for each line.

	Yes
	No
a) Each student has a computer	0 - 0
b) The class has computers that students can share	
c) The school has computers that the class	

C. How often do you do the following computer activities during reading lessons?

can use sometimes -----

c) Teach students to be critical when reading on Check **one** circle for each line.

Every	day	or	almost	every	da

	Every day or almost every day	
	Once or twice a week	
	Once or twice a month	
	Never or almost never	
a) Ask students to read digital texts		
b) Teach students strategies for reading digital texts		

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) Ask students to look up				
information (e.g., facts,				
definitions, etc.)	()	_()-	$-\bigcirc$	$-\bigcirc$

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2	Ask students to research a particular topic		\bigcirc		,
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f) Ask students to write	_	_	_	_
stories or other texts	🔾 –	-0-	-0-	- (

A. Do you have a library or reading corner in your classroom?

Check one circle only.

Yes (
No 🔾	
(If No, go to #	26)

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B. About how many books are in your classroom library?

Check **one** circle only.

0–25 🔘	
26–50 🔘	
51–100 🔘	
ore than 100 🔘	

C. About how many magazines with different titles are in your classroom library?

Check one	circle	only.
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D. How often do you give the students in your class time to use the classroom library or reading corner?

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Check	one	cırcle	only

Check one circle only.
Every day or almost every day
Once or twice a week
Once or twice a month
Never or almost never

E. Can the students borrow books from the classroom library or reading corner to take home?

Check	one	circle	only.

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How often do you take or send the students to a library other than your classroom library?

Check **one** circle only.

At least once or twice a week	
Once or twice a month	
A few times a year	
Never or almost never	

Check **one** circle only.

I do not assign reading for homework	
(Go to #30)	
Less than once a week	
1 or 2 times a week	
3 or 4 times a week	
Every day	

In general, how much time do you expect students to spend on homework involving <u>reading</u> (for any subject) each time you assign it?

Check **one** circle only.

15 minutes or less	\bigcup
16–30 minutes	\bigcirc
31–60 minutes	\bigcirc
ore than 60 minutes	\bigcirc

How often do you do the following with the reading homework assignments for this class?

Check **one** circle for each line.

	Alv	Always or almost always	
		Sometimes	
		Never or almost never	•
) Correct assignme feedback to stud	ents and give ents	-0-0	
o) Discuss the home in class	ework	-0-0	
) Monitor whethe homework was o	r or not the completed	-0-0	

Are the following resources <u>available</u> to you to work with students who have difficulty with reading?

Reading Difficulties

Check **one** circle for each line.

Always		
	Sometimes	
	Never	
a) A specialized professional (e.g., reading specialist, speech therapist)	0-0-0	
b) A teacher-aide	$\bigcirc -\bigcirc -\bigcirc$	
c) An adult/parent volunteer	0-0-0	

What do you usually do if a student begins to fall behind in reading?

Check **one** circle for each line.

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	No
a) I have the student work with a specialized professional (e.g., reading specialist, speech therapist)	O-O
b) I wait to see if performance improves with maturation	() ()
c) I spend more time working on reading individually with that student	
d) I ask the parents to help the student with reading	
e) I recommend that the student be enrolled in a special reading program	O O

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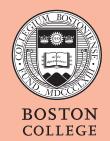
How much emphasis do you place on the following sources to monitor students' progress in reading?

Check **one** circle for each line.

Major	Major emphasis Some emphasis	
	Little or no emphasis	
a) Assessment of students' ongoing work		
b) Classroom tests (for example, teacher-made or textbook tests)	0-0	
c) State or district achievement tests	0-0	

Thank You

Thank you for the thought, time, and effort you have put into completing this questionnaire.



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Directions

In this booklet, you will find questions about you and what you think. For each question, you should choose the answer you think is best.

Let us take a few minutes to practice the kinds of questions you will answer in this booklet.

Example 1 is one kind of question you will find in this booklet.

Example 1	1
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Do you go to school?

Fill **one** circle only.

Yes -- ()

No -- ()

Example 2 is another kind of question you will find in this booklet.

Example 2

How often do you do these things?

Fill one circle for each line.

		Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or almost never
			\		
a)	I talk with my friends	O			
b)	I play sports	O			
c)	I ride a skateboard	O			

Example 3 is another kind of question you will find in this booklet.

Example 3

What do you think? Tell how much you agree with these statements.

Fill one circle for each line.

		Agree a lot	Agree a little	Disagree a little	Disagree a lot
a)	Watching movies is fun		*	Ŏ	
b)	I like eating ice cream		0	0	
c)	I do not like waking up early		0		
d)	I enjoy doing chores				

- Read each question carefully, and pick the answer you think is best.
- Fill in the circle next to or under your answer.
- If you decide to change your answer, draw an X through your first answer, like this: X. Then, fill in the circle next to or under your new answer.
- Ask for help if you do not understand something or are not sure how to answer.

Student Questionnaire 2

1A

Are you a girl or a boy?

Fill **one** circle only.

Girl -- 🔘

Boy -- ()

1B

Are you Hispanic or Latino?

Fill **one** circle only.

Yes, I am Hispanic or Latino -- 🔘

No, I am not Hispanic or Latino -- 🔘

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Which of the following best describes you?

Fill one or more circles.

White -- 🔾

Black or African American -- 🔾

Asian --()

American Indian or Alaska Native -- 🔘

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander -- () 2

When were you born?

Fill the circles next to the month and year you were born.

a) Month	b) Year
January 🔘	2003 🔘
February 🔘	2004 🔘
March 🔘	2005 🔘
April 🔘	2006 🔾
May ()	2007 🔾
June 🔘	2008 🔘
July 🔘	2009 🔘
August 🔘	Other 🔘
September \bigcirc	
October \bigcirc	
November \bigcirc	
December \bigcirc	

How often do you speak English at home?

Fill **one** circle only.

I always speak
English at home -- If *always*, please go to question 4 _____

I almost always speak English at home -- \bigcirc

I sometimes speak English and sometimes speak another language at home -- \bigcirc

I never speak English at home -- 🔘

If almost always, sometimes, or never, please go to question 3B

3B

What language do you speak at home (other than English)?

Fill one circle only.

Spanish -- ()

Other -- O Please Specify_____

4A

Was your mother (or stepmother or female legal guardian) born in the United States?

("United States" includes the 50 states, its territories, the District of Columbia, and U.S. military bases abroad.)

Fill **one** circle only.

Yes -- \bigcirc

No -- ()

I don't know -- ()

4B

Was your father (or stepfather or male legal guardian) born in the United States?

Fill **one** circle only.

Yes -- \bigcirc

No -- ()

I don't know -- 🔘

4C

Were you born in the United States?

Fill **one** circle only.

Yes -- \bigcirc

No -- ()

I don't know -- 🔘

About how many books are there in your home? (Do not count magazines, newspapers, or your school books.)

Fill **one** circle only.

None or very few (0–10 books) -- 🔘

This shows 10 books

Enough to fill one shelf (11–25 books) -- ()

This shows 25 books

Enough to fill one bookcase

(26–100 books) -- 🔘

This shows 100 books

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Enough to fill two bookcases (101–200 books) -- ()

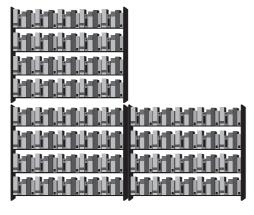
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Enough to fill three or more bookcases

(more than 200) -- 🔘

This shows more than 200 books



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Do you have any of these things at your home?

Fill **one** circle for each line.

		Yes	No
a)	A computer or tablet	- 0	
b)	Study desk/table for your use	- 0	
c)	Your own room	- 0	
d)	Internet connection	- 0	
e)	Your own cell phone	- 0	
f)	A gaming system (e.g., PlayStation®, Wii®, XBox®)	- 0	
o)	VCR DVD or Blu-ray player	- 0	

About how often are you absent from school?

Fill **one** circle only.

Once a week -- ()

Once every two weeks -- \bigcirc

Once a month -- ()

Never or almost never -- \bigcirc

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How often do you feel this way when you arrive at school?

Fill one circle for each line.

		Every day	Almost every day	Sometimes	Neve
			\		
a)	I feel tired	- 0	Ŏ	Ŏ	
b)	I feel hungry				

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How often do you eat breakfast on school days?

Fill **one** circle only.

Every day -- 🔘

Most days -- 🔘

Sometimes -- ()

Never or almost never -- \bigcirc

10

How often do you use a computer or tablet in each of these places for schoolwork (including classroom tasks, homework, or studying outside of class)?

Fill one circle for each line.

		Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or almost never
a)	At home	tvery day	WCCK		
b)	At school	0			
c)	Some other place	O	0		

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How much time do you spend using a computer or tablet to do these activities for your <u>schoolwork</u> on a normal school day?

Fill **one** circle for each line.

		No time	30 minutes or less	More than 30 minutes
a)	Finding and reading information	<u></u>	<u> </u>	
b)	Preparing reports and presentations	0	0	\circ

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How much time do you spend each day using a computer or tablet for any of the following activities?

Fill one circle for each line.

		No time	Less than 30 minutes	30 minutes up to 1 hour	From 1 hour up to 2 hours	2 hours or more
a)	Playing games	- 0	- Ö	- Ö	- <u> </u>	- 0
b)	Watching videos	- 0	-0	-0	-0-	
c)	Chatting	- 0	-0	-0	-0-	
d)	Surfing the Internet	- 0	-0			

Your School

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What do you think about your school? Tell how much you agree with these statements.

Fill one circle for each line.

a)	I like being in school	Agree a lot	Agree a little	Disagree a little	Disagree a lot
b)	I feel safe when I am at school	O		0	
c)	I feel like I belong at this school	O			
d)	Teachers at my school are fair to me	O			\circ
e)	I am proud to go to this school	\bigcirc			

During this year, how often have other students from your school done any of the following things to you (including through texting or the Internet)?

Fill **one** circle for each line.

		At least once a week	Once or twice a month	A few times a year	Never
a)	Made fun of me or called me names				
b)	Left me out of their games or activities				
c)	Spread lies about me		O	O	
d)	Stole something from me		0	0	
e)	Hit or hurt me (e.g., shoving, hitting, kicking)		0	0	
f)	Made me do things I didn't want to do	. ()		0	
g)	Shared embarrassing information about me				
h)	Threatened ma				

Lessons about reading

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Think about the reading you do for school. How much do you agree with these statements about your <u>reading</u> lessons?

Fill **one** circle for each line.

		Agree a lot	Agree a little	Disagree a little	Disagree a lot
a)	I like what I read about in school	<u> </u>	Ŏ	· O	
b)	My teacher gives me interesting things to read				
c)	I know what my teacher expects me to do				
d)	My teacher is easy to understand			O	
e)	I am interested in what my teacher says				
f)	My teacher encourages me to say what I think about what I have read		O		
g)	My teacher lets me show what I have learned				
h)	My teacher does a variety of things to help us learn				
i)	My teacher tells me how to do better when I make a mistake				

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Reading in school

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In school, how often do these things happen?

Fill one circle for each line.

		Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or almost never
a)	I read silently on my own	<u></u>	-0	-0-	-0
b)	I read things that I choose myself		0	-0	
c)	My teacher asks us in class to talk about what we have read			-0	-0

Using the library

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How often do you borrow books (including ebooks) from your school or local library?

Fill **one** circle only.

At least once a week -- \bigcirc

Once or twice a month -- \bigcirc

A few times a year -- \bigcirc

Never or almost never -- \bigcirc

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Reading outside of school

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How much time do you spend reading <u>outside of school</u> on a normal school day?

Fill **one** circle only.

Less than 30 minutes -- ()

30 minutes up to 1 hour -- \bigcirc

From 1 hour up to 2 hours -- \bigcirc

2 hours or more -- ()

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How often do you do these things <u>outside of school</u>?

Fill one circle for each line.

		Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never o almost never
		↓	\		\
a)	I read for fun	 \bigcirc			

b)	I read to find out about things I							
	want to learn	C	(\bigcup)(\bigcirc	(\supset

What you think about reading

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What do you think about reading? Tell how much you agree with each of these statements.

Fill **one** circle for each line.

		Agree a lot	Agree a little	Disagree a little	Disagree a lot
a)	I like talking about what I read with other people	- 0	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	-0
b)	I would be happy if someone gave me a book as a present	- ()			
c)	I think reading is boring	- 🔾	O	O	
d)	I would like to have more time for reading	- ()			
e)	I enjoy reading	- 🔾	<u> </u>		
f)	I learn a lot from reading	- 🔾	0	O	
g)	I like to read things that make me think	- 0			
h)	I like it when a book helps me imagine other worlds	- ()	-O	-O	

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How well do you read? Tell how much you agree with each of these statements.

Fill one circle for each line.

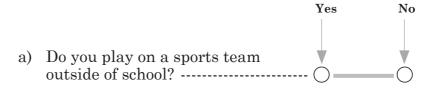
		Agree a lot	Agree a little	Disagree a little	Disagree a lot
a)	I usually do well in reading	· O	· O	· O	
b)	Reading is easy for me	- 0	O	-0	
c)	I have trouble reading stories with difficult words	- ()	-0	- O	
d)	Reading is harder for me than for many of my classmates	- ()	O	O	
e)	Reading is harder for me than any other subject	- ()	O		
f)	I am just not good at reading	. ()			

Activities outside of school

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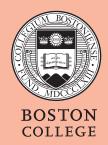
The following questions ask about activities you do outside of school.

Fill one circle for each line.



- b) Do you often play a musical instrument outside of school? -----
- c) Are you studying something in a class outside of school? ------
- d) Do you belong to a club outside of school (like Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, 4-H, or Boys and Girls Club)? ------

Thank you for filling out the questionnaire!



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