VIQI

Variations in Implementation of Quality Interventions

FOLLOW-UP TEACHER/ASSISTANT TEACHER SURVEY

The purpose of the Follow-up Teacher/Assistant Teacher Self-Report Survey is to collect information on characteristics of teachers and their early care and education centers that are theorized to: 1) affect implementation; and 2) moderate the impacts of the interventions, or the effects of quality on child outcomes, as indicated in the VIQI conceptual model. This attachment includes the following: (a) the follow-up survey, and (b) communication to teachers regarding this survey and related honorarium.

A. Introduction

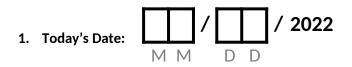
Thank you for participating in the Variations in Implementation of Quality Interventions (VIQI) Project! As part of this study, we would like you to answer some questions about yourself and your experiences as a teacher in an early care and education center. This information is crucial to helping us understand the impacts of early care and education centers on children. As a thank you, your center will get \$XX for your time completing the survey!

Your participation is completely voluntary, and you may skip any questions you do not wish to answer. You may stop the survey at any time. Your responses to these questions will be kept private to the extent permitted by law and will not be shared with your supervisor or other staff. There are no direct benefits to you for participating. Participation does not involve any risks other than what you would encounter in daily life. There is a small risk that your information could be lost, stolen, or misused, even though we follow strict rules to protect your information. The study team will follow strict procedures to protect your responses, and your responses will only be used for research and program improvement purposes. Your responses will be stored in password protected computer files and in locked research facilities. The data will be used only by the research team and other researchers bound by the same security requirements described here. We also may share de-identified responses with other researchers looking at other education research topics who agree that they will protect your information.

Please complete this questionnaire within the next [X] days. Once complete, please send it back to [CONTACT INFO]. It will take approximately 45 minutes or less to complete the survey. If you have any questions, please contact your project liaison at [PHONE] or [email].

Thank you!

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B. Classroom Characteristics and Resources

Children in the Classroom

2. As of today, how many girls and boys are enrolled in your class? CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

	Number of C	Children							
	None								15 or
		1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	13-14	more
a) Girls	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O_5	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	O ₉
b) Boys	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	0,

3. As of today, how many children enrolled in your class are Hispanic or Latino?											
									15 or		
	None	1-2	3-4	5- 6	7-8	9-10	11-12	13-14	more		
Number of Children	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O_5	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	0,		

4. As of today, how many children enrolled in your class belong to each of the following racial groups?

CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

					Numb	er of Chi	ildren			
		None	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	13-14	15 or more
a)	American Indian or Alaska Native	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	O ₉
b)	Asian	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	O ₉
c)	Black or African American	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	O ₉
d)	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	O ₉
e)	White	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	O ₉

5. How many children enrolled in your class are considered English Language Learners (ELL) or Dual Language Learners (DLL)? (This refers to children whose native language is not English and whose skills in listening, speaking, reading, or writing English are such that they have difficulty understanding instructions in English.)

CHOOSE ONE.

O ₁	None
O_2	1-2 children
O ₃	3-4 children
O_4	5-6 children
O ₅	7-8 children
O ₆	9-10 children
O ₇	11-12 children
O ₈	13-14 children
O ₉	15 or more children

6. How many children with special needs (with an active IEP or IFSP) are enrolled in your class?

Choose one on each row.

		Number of Children									
		None	1-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	13-14	15 or more	
a)	Active IEP	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	O ₉	
b)	Active IFSP	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	O ₉	
c)	Currently in referral process for IEP or IFSP	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇	O ₈	O ₉	

Classroom Resources

7. Below is a list of curricula that you may or may not be using with the children in your classroom this year. How often are you using each of the following curricula this school year (2021-2022)? By curriculum, we mean a guiding framework that provides learning activities and experiences teachers can use to help children learn and grow.

CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

			At least			
Ηοι	w often do you currently use?	Never	once a week	Daily	_	
a)	The Creative Curriculum (Teaching Strategies)	\square_1	\square_2	\square_3	┝	If you use Creative Curriculum, please answer
b)	Connect4Learning	\Box_1	\square_2	\square_3	_	7a.
c)	Building Blocks math curriculum (McGraw-Hill)	\square_1	\square_2	\square_3		7a. Which edition do you use?
d)	Pyramid Model for Supporting Social Emotional Competence	\square_1	\square_2	\square_3		CHOOSE ONE.
e)	Preschool Pathways to Science (PrePS)	\square_1	\square_2	\square_3		$O_1 6^{\text{th}}$ Edition $O_2 5^{\text{th}}$ Edition
f)	Teacher- or center-created curriculum	\square_1	\square_2	\square_3	-	O_3 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , or 4 th Edition
g)	Another published curriculum.		_			O ₄ Don't know
	Specify:	\square_1	\square_2	\square_3		
	don't know what curriculum I use, or I don't know if I a curriculum	\square_1			_	
[AD	D IN OTHER POPULAR CURRICULA LEARNED ABOUT					

DURING LANDSCAPING]

If you use Creative Curriculum, please answer 7b.

7b. Which Creative Curriculum resources do you use?
CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY.

1 Volumes (e.g., The Foundation, Interest Areas, Literacy, Mathematics)

2 Daily Resources (e.g., Teaching Guides, Intentional Teaching Cards, Book Discussion

Cards, Mighty Minutes)

3 Expanded Daily Resources (e.g., Simple Machines, Insects, Tubes and Tunnels)

4 Don't know

8. How much training have you received on the following curricula, whether it was through workshops, coaching, or other professional development?

CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

		No training	Some training	A great deal of training
a)	The Creative Curriculum (6th edition)	O1	O_2	O ₃
b)	The Creative Curriculum (5 th edition)	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
c)	The Creative Curriculum $(1^{st}, 2^{nd}, 3^{rd}, or 4^{th} editions)$	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
d)	Building Blocks	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
e)	Connect4Learning	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
f)	Preschool Pathways to Science (PrePS)	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
g)	Pyramid Model for Supporting Social Emotional Competence	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃

9. Do you use any of the following to assess the children in your class?

CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY.

- □ 1 Work Sampling System[®]
- 2 Teaching Strategies GOLD*
- \square_3 High/Scope Child Observation Record (COR)
- Other published assessment tools (e.g., Ages and Stages Questionnaires, Brigance Preschool Screen, Galileo, Hawaii Early Learning Profile (HELP), Learning Accomplishment Profile Screening (E-LAP, LAP-R, LAP-D))
- Child Portfolios and/or Work Samples (Electronic or Hardcopy)
- \Box_6 Teacher observation of specific objectives
- \Box_7 Locally-designed assessment, or teacher- or center-created assessment

10. How often do you use the results from <u>any of the above child assessments</u> to complete each of the following tasks?

l us	se results from child assessments to	Never	Three times a year	One or two times a month	Once a week	Multiple times a week
a)	Group children into different small groups	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
b)	Plan lessons based on how children did on the assessments	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
c)	Find activities that address the needs of specific children	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
d)	Find particular content areas to work on building my knowledge or teaching practice	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅

		Never	Less than once a week	1-2 times a week	3-4 times a week	Daily
a)	Teacher-directed whole class activities (do not include read aloud)	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
b)	Teacher-directed read aloud	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
c)	Teacher-directed small group activities (about 2-8 children depending on class size)	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
d)	Teacher-directed activities with individual children	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
e)	Choice time or center activities	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅

11. In a typical week, how <u>often</u> do children in your classroom spend time in the following activities? Do not include meals, snacks, or outdoor time.

12. In a typical day, how much time do children in your classroom spend in the following activities? Do not include meals, snacks, or outdoor time.

		No time	1-15 minutes a day	16-30 minutes a day	31-60 minutes a day	About two hours a day	Three hours or more a day
a)	Teacher-directed whole class activities (do not include read aloud)	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
b)	Teacher-directed read aloud	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
c)	Teacher-directed small group activities (about 2-8 children depending on class size)	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
d)	Teacher-directed activities with individual children	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
e)	Choice time or center activities	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆

13. In a typical week, how <u>often</u> do children in your classroom usually work on lessons, activities, or projects in the following general topic areas, whether as a whole class, in small groups, or in individualized arrangements?

		Never	Less than once a week	1-2 times a week	3-4 times a week	Daily
a)	Language and literacy	O1	O ₂	Ο ₃	O_4	O ₅
b)	Mathematics	O ₁	O_2	Ο ₃	O_4	O_5
c)	Social studies	O1	O ₂	Ο ₃	O ₄	O ₅
d)	Science	O1	O ₂	Ο3	O_4	O ₅
e)	Music	O1	O ₂	Ο ₃	O ₄	O ₅
f)	Art	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
g)	Dance/creative movement	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅

		No time	1-15 minutes a day	16-30 minutes a day	31-60 minutes a day	61-90 minutes a day	More than 90 minutes a day
a)	Language and literacy	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆
b)	Mathematics	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆
c)	Social studies	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
d)	Science	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆
e)	Music	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆
f)	Art	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆
g)	Dance/creative movement	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆

14. In a typical day, h<u>ow much time</u> do children in your classroom spend in the following activities? Do not include meals, snacks, or outdoor time.

15. In a typical week, how often do you do activities with children in small groups (that is, about 2 to 8 children in a group) for the following content areas?

CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

		Never	Less than once a week	1 day a week	2 days a week	3 days a week	4 days a week	5 days a week
a)	Literacy/Reading	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
b)	Mathematics	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
c)	Science	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
d)	Social-emotional	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇

16. Think about a typical day in your classroom <u>CURRENTLY</u>. On average, what percentage of your children do you feel are actively engaged in (on-task, participating in) the learning activities and instruction you provide?

O₁ 76-100%

O₂ 51-75%

- O₃ 26-50%
- O₄ 0-25%

17. At this point in the school year, how would you rate the behavior of the children in your classroom?

- O_1 Group misbehaves very frequently and is almost always difficult to handle
- O_2 Group misbehaves frequently and is often difficult to handle
- O_3 Group misbehaves occasionally
- O₄ Group behaves well
- O_5 Group behaves exceptionally well

18. This past year (2021-2022) has your classroom been subject to Head Start standards and regulations? CHOOSE ONE.

- O₁ Yes
- O₂ No
- O₃ Don't know

19. This year (2021-2022) about how many children in your classroom received some Head Start funding? CHOOSE ONE.

- O_1 Most children (75% or more)
- O_2 About half of the children (~50%)
- O_3 Some children (25% or less)
- O₄ No children (0%)
- O₅ Don't know

20. This year (2021-2022) about how many children in your classroom receive some Pre-K funding? CHOOSE ONE.

- O_1 Most children (75% or more)
- O_2 About half of the children (~50%)
- O_3 Some children (25% or less)
- O_4 No children (0%)
- O₅ Don't know

C. Professional Support and Training

21. The following questions ask you about the time you have received for the different professional support opportunities as part of your work day schedule this school year (2021-2022).

CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

	ring your workday, how often have ı received time to	Did not happen	Once or twice this year	Every other month	Once a month	Twice a month	Once a week	More than once a week
a)	Plan or prepare for teaching/your classroom on your own	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
b)	Plan or prepare for teaching/your classroom with your teacher, co- teacher and/or or assistant teacher	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
c)	Meet with other teachers to collaborate and plan (e.g., as part of common planning time or a professional learning community)	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
d)	Observe other teachers in their classroom while your class is covered	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
e)	Participate in peer mentoring as part of a formal arrangement that is recognized or supported by your center	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
f)	Receive mentorship from a master teacher in your center	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇

22. How many days of formal training (such as workshops; in-service training; or seminars, classes and coursework taken to fulfill continuing education requirements or to pursue a degree or credential) did you attend this year (2021-2022) from the following providers?

Pro	ovider Type	No training	Less than half a day	One full day	Two full days	Three full days	More than three days
a)	Staff <u>at your center</u>	O ₂	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
b)	Staff from the grantee agency, school district, or state or local resource and referral agency	O ₂	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
c)	A college or university supporting staff at your center	O ₂	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
d)	External institution or other training organization (e.g., professional association, resource and referral agency) supporting staff at your center	O ₂	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
e)	Curriculum author or publisher supporting staff at your center	O ₂	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
f)	VIQI project	O ₂	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅

g) Other	0,	0,	O_2	0,	0,	O.
5/ Other	$\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{Z}}$	\mathbf{U}_{1}	\mathbf{U}_{2}	\mathbf{U}_{3}	• 4	$\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{S}}$

23. Which of the following topics were covered in any of your formal training(s) you reported above? Do not include any coaching you may have received.)

CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY.

\square_1	Implementing a curriculum
\square_2	Children's language or literacy/reading development
\square_3	Children's mathematics development
\square_4	Children's scientific knowledge development
\square_5	Teaching practices and/or classroom quality
\square_6	Professional, state and national standards (e.g., Early Learning Guidelines; NAEYC; Curriculum Frameworks; Common Core; QRIS)
\square_7	Using quality observational tools to improve classroom quality (e.g. CLASS or ECERS)
\square_8	Conducting child assessments through observation, screening, and/or formal instruments
\square_9	Supporting or fostering children's social/emotional development
\square_{10}	Behavior management
\square_{11}	Family engagement
\square_{12}	Supporting children with special needs in the classroom
\square_{13}	Supporting English Language Learners (ELLs) or Dual Language Learners (DLLs)
\square_{14}	Cultural competence for working with diverse populations
\square_{15}	Organization and management (e.g., classroom routines and schedules)
\square_{16}	Classroom set up and physical environment
\square_{17}	Health and safety
	None of the above

24. How many times did you attend a training in the past year (2021-2022) with at least one other teacher or assistant teacher from *your classroom*?

\square_1	Never
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 \square_2 Sometimes

 \square_3 Often

D. Coaching

[TEACHERS IN CLASSROOMS ASSIGNED TO AN INTERVENTION GROUP START WITH ITEM 25; TEACHERS IN CLASSROOMS ASSIGNED TO THE CONTROL GROUP, START WITH ITEM 30]

The questions that follow ask about your experiences working with a VIQI coach: the coach assigned to your classroom this year (2021-2022) as part of the VIQI project. Please only report on the experiences you've had with a VIQI coach when responding to the following questions.

25. How often has your VIQI coach met with you or observed your classroom remotely so far this year (2021-2022)?

CHOOSE ONE.

- O_1 Did not happen \rightarrow SKIP TO 30
- O_2 Once or twice
- O_3 Three to five times
- O_4 Once a month
- O_5^{-1} Twice a month
- O_6 Three or more times a month

26. What were the primary areas of focus of the VIQI coaching you received?

SELECT UP TO FIVE RESPONSE OPTIONS THAT APPLY TO THE PRIMARY FOCUS AREAS.

\square_1	Implementing lessons or activities from a curriculum
\square_2	Children's language or literacy/reading development
\square_3	Children's mathematics development
\square_4	Children's scientific knowledge development
\square_5	Teaching practices and/or classroom quality
\square_6	Professional, state and national standards (e.g., Early Learning Guidelines; NAEYC; Curriculum Frameworks; Common Core; QRIS)
\square_7	Using quality observational tools to improve classroom quality (e.g., CLASS or ECERS)
\square_8	Conducting child assessments through observation, screening, and/or formal instruments
\square_9	Supporting or fostering children's social/emotional development
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\square_{14}	Cultural competence for working with diverse populations
\square_{15}	Organization and management (e.g. classroom routines and schedules)
\square_{16}	Classroom set up and physical environment
\square_{17}	Health and safety
	None of the above

27. How often have you participated in the following activities with your VIQI coach during this year (2021-2022)?

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СН	OOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.	This did not happen	During some coaching sessions	During most coaching sessions
a)	I watched while my VIQI coach modeled or demonstrated a teaching strategy	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
b)	I worked with my VIQI coach to interpret data about child learning in my classroom	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
c)	I received feedback from my VIQI coach in-person after he/she observed my classroom	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
d)	I received feedback from my VIQI coach via email after he/she observed my classroom	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
e)	I worked with my VIQI coach to improve classroom quality based on a classroom quality assessment tool (e.g., CLASS or ECERS)	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
f)	I had a phone or video (e.g. Zoom) meeting with my VIQI coach	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃

28. What do your meetings with your VIQI coach typically look like?

CHOOSE ONE.

- O_1 I meet with my VIQI coach one-on-one
- O_2 My co-teacher and/or assistant teacher and I meet with my VIQI coach together
- O₃ I meet with my VIQI coach in a group setting with other teachers/staff (e.g., during Common Planning Time)

29. For how long do you typically meet with your VIQI coach? Do NOT include time when the coach is observing in your classroom.

CHOOSE ONE.

- O_1 Less than 15 minutes
- O₂ 16-30 minutes
- O₃ 31-45 minutes
- O_4 An hour
- O₅ Two hours
- O_6 More than two hours

You may have received coaching from other professionals <u>not</u> associated with the VIQI project during this year (2021-2022). Please only report on the experiences you've had with a <u>non-VIQI</u> coach when responding to the following questions.

30. Did you receive coaching from anyone other than the VIQI coach this year (2021-2022)?

A coach is a professional who provides you with feedback and support to help improve what you do in your classroom. Do NOT include observations completed by your center director or other center administrator or supervisor, or master teacher

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathsf{O}_1 & \text{Yes} \\ \mathsf{O}_2 & \text{No} \neq \mathsf{SKIP} \ \mathsf{TO} \ \mathsf{38} \end{array}$$

If you responded "yes" to receiving coaching from someone other than your VIQI coach this year, answer questions #31-37. We will refer to this person as the "non-VIQI coach." If you responded "no," skip to #38.

31. How often has a non-VIQI coach visited your classroom or met with you remotely so far this year (2021-2022)?

CHOOSE ONE.

- O_1 Once or twice
- O_2 Three to five times
- O_3 Once a month
- O₄ Twice a month
- O_5 Three or more times a month

32. What is the focus of the coaching you received by a non-VIQI coach?

SELECT UP TO FIVE RESPONSE OPTIONS THAT APPLY TO THE PRIMARY FOCUS AREAS.

\square_1	Implementing lessons or activities from a curriculum
\square_2	Children's language or literacy/reading development
\square_3	Children's mathematics development
\square_4	Children's scientific knowledge development
\square_5	Teaching practices and/or classroom quality
\square_6	Professional, state and national standards (e.g., Early Learning Guidelines; NAEYC; Curriculum Frameworks; Common Core; QRIS)
\square_7	Using quality observational tools to improve classroom quality (e.g. CLASS or ECERS)
\square_8	Conducting child assessments through observation, screening, and/or formal instruments
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\square_{15}	Organization and management (e.g. classroom routines and schedules)
	Classroom set up and physical environment

 \square_{17} Health and safety

 \square_{18} None of the above

33. How often have you participated in the following activities with a non-VIQI coach during this year (2021-2022)?

CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

		This did not happen	During some coaching sessions	During most coaching sessions
a)	I watched while a non-VIQI coach modeled or demonstrated a teaching strategy	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
b)	I worked with a non-VIQI coach to interpret data about child learning in my classroom	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
c)	I received feedback from a non-VIQI coach in-person after he/she observed my classroom	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
d)	I received feedback from a non-VIQI coach via email after he/she observed my classroom	O ₁	O_2	O ₃
e)	I worked with a non-VIQI coach to improve classroom quality based on a classroom quality assessment tool (e.g. CLASS or ECERS)	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃
f)	I had an in-person, phone or video (e.g. Zoom) meeting with a non- VIQI coach	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃

34. What do your meetings with a non-VIQI coach typically look like?

CHOOSE ONE.

- O_1 I never had a meeting with a non-VIQI coach
- O_2 I meet with a non-VIQI coach one-on-one
- O_3 My co-teacher and/or assistant teacher and I meet with a non-VIQI coach together
- O_{4} I meet with a non-VIQI coach in a group setting with other teachers/staff (e.g., during Common Planning Time)

35. For how long do you typically meet with a non-VIQI coach? (Do NOT include time when the coach is observing in your classroom.) CHOOSE ONE.

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- O_1 I never had a meeting with a non-VIQI coach
- O_2 Less than 15 minutes
- O₃ 16-30 minutes
- O₅ 31-45 minutes

O ₆	An hour
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O₇ Two hours

 O_8 More than two hours

36. Which organization(s) provided the non-VIQI coach who worked with you this [year]? CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.

\square_1	My center
\square_2	Head Start Grantee agency or
\square_3	School district
\square_4	Child care umbrella organization
\square_5	State or local resource and referral agency
\square_6	State or local QRIS agency
\square_7	A college or university
\square_8	External institution (e.g., professional association; non-profit education organization)
\square_9	Curriculum author or publisher
\square_{10}	
	Other:
□ ₁₁	Don't know

37. To what degree did you receive conflicting guidance from your VIQI coach and others, such as your supervisors, education coordinators, or a non-VIQI coach this year (2021-2022)? CHOOSE ONE.

- O_1 Not at all conflicting
- O₂ Slightly conflicting
- O_3 Somewhat conflicting
- O_4 Completely conflicting

E. Curriculum Implementation [For teachers in intervention centers ONLY]

The questions in this section are about your experience with the VIQI intervention – meaning the curriculum, training, and coaching you received <u>from the VIQI project</u>.

If you are implementing Creative Curriculum as part of the VIQI project, go to QUESTION #40. If you are implementing Connect4Learning as part of the VIQI project, go to QUESTION #41.

38. FOR CREATIVE CURRICULUM TEACHERS: In a typical week, how often does your classroom do the following Creative Curriculum activities?

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		1 day a week	2 days a week	3 days a week	4 days a week	Daily
a)	Question of the day/Discussion of a Creative Curriculum Study topic	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
b)	Shared writing	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
c)	Mighty Minutes	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
d)	An activity from an intentional teaching card	O1	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
e)	A read aloud activity from Creative Curriculum	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
f)	Choice time activities	O1	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅

39. FOR CONNECT4LEARNING TEACHERS: In a typical week, how often does your classroom do the following Connect4learning activities?

		1 day a week	2 days a week	3 days a week	4 days a week	Daily
g)	Fast Focus	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
h)	Connect Lessons	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
i)	Connect4Learning small group activity	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
j)	A read aloud activity from Connect4Learning	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
k)	Choice time activities	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅

40. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a)	I like working with my VIQI coach.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
b)	My VIQI coach challenges or pushes me to perform better at my job.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
c)	The VIQI intervention matches the priorities of my center.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅

For the following three items, please select the response that best fills in the blank based on your experience with the VIQI intervention. Then, please write down why you chose that response.

41. The VIQI cu practice.	urriculum, training a	nd coaching are	e for my skills and teaching			
O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅		
Not at all	Slightly	Somewhat	Very	Extremely		
beneficial	beneficial	beneficial	beneficial	beneficial		

42. The VIQI cu	ırriculum is	for the childre		
O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
Not at all	Slightly	Somewhat	Very	Extremely
beneficial	beneficial	beneficial	beneficial	beneficial
Why?				

43. The VIQI curriculum is		for me to imple	room.	
O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
Very difficult	Difficult	Neither easy	Easy	Very easy
		or hard		
Why?				

F. Teaching and Learning

44. Recognizing that some things in early care and education (ECE) centers are required by external sources, what are YOUR OWN PERSONAL BELIEFS about ECE centers?

Please select the number that most nearly represents YOUR BELIEFS about each item's importance for ECE centers for children ages 3 to 4. (1 = Strongly disagree; 5 = Strongly agree)

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		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
a)	ECE classroom activities should be responsive to individual differences in children's development.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
b)	Each curriculum area should be taught as a separate subject at separate times.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O_5
c)	Children should be allowed to select many of their own activities from a variety of learning areas that the teacher has prepared (writing, science center, etc.).	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
d)	Children should be allowed to cut their own shapes, perform their own steps in an experiment, and plan their own creative drama, art, and writing activities.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
e)	Children should work silently and alone on seatwork.	O1	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
f)	Children in ECE classrooms should learn through active explorations.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
g)	ECE teachers should use treats, stickers, or stars to encourage appropriate behavior.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
h)	ECE teachers should use punishments or reprimands to encourage appropriate behavior.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
i)	Children should be involved in establishing rules for the classroom.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
j)	Children should be instructed in recognizing the single letters of the alphabet, isolated from words.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
k)	Children should learn to color within predefined lines.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
I)	Children in ECE classrooms should learn to form letters correctly on a printed page.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
m)	Children should dictate stories to the teacher.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
n)	Children should know their letter sounds before they learn to read.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
o)	Children should form letters correctly before they are allowed to create a story.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅

Source: Burts, Buchanan, Benedict, Broussard, Dunaway, Richardson & Sciaraffa, 2000; Charlesworth et al., 1993; FACES, 2006.

45. How confident or comfortable are you in your ability to promote the following?

How confident are you in your ability to promote the <u>social-emotional</u> development of the three- and four-year-olds in the classroom, such as their...

CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

Not at all	Not	Neutral	Somewhat	
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			really			Completely
a)	Self-concept and Self-efficacy	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
b)	Self-regulation	O1	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
c)	Social and emotional understanding	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
d)	Empathy and caring	O1	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
e)	Relationships with others	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
f)	Cooperation and responsibility	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅

How confident are you in your ability to promote the <u>language and literacy learning</u> of the three- and four-year-olds in your classroom and teach...

		Not at all	Not really	Neutral	Somewhat	Completely
g)	Vocabulary and oral language	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
h)	Letter knowledge	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
i)	Print and text concepts	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
j)	Phonological awareness (individual speech sounds)	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
k)	Drawing or writing	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
I)	Listening or reading comprehension	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅

How confident are you in your ability to promote the <u>math learning</u> of the three- and four-year-olds in your classroom and teach...

		Not at all	Not really	Neutral	Somewha t	Completely
m)	Number sense & concepts	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
n)	Number writing and recognition	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
o)	Addition and subtraction	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
p)	Making, copying or extending patterns	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
q)	Measuring	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
r)	Identifying, drawing, or constructing shapes	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
s)	Comparing, contrasting or sorting objects by attributes or a rule	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅

How confident are you in your ability to promote the <u>scientific knowledge</u> of the three- and four-yearolds in your classroom and teach...

			Not		Somewha	Completel
		Not at all	really	Neutral	t	У
t)	Scientific thinking/scientific method	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅
u)	Earth and space	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
v)	Living things	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅
w)	Physical properties	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅

Source: Internal

46. Please select the number that most nearly represents your agreement with each item. (1 = Strongly disagree; 6 = Strongly agree)

		Strongly	Moder- ately	Slightly	Slightly	Moder- ately	Strongly
a)	I integrate the cultural values and lifestyles of racial and ethnic minority groups into my teaching.	Disagree	Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Agree	Agree
b)	I plan many activities to celebrate diverse cultural practices in my classroom.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
c)	I plan school/center events to increase students' knowledge about cultural experiences of various racial and ethnic groups	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
d)	I make changes within the general school/ center environment so that racial and ethnic minority students will have an equal opportunity for success	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
e)	I consult regularly with other teachers or administrators to help me understand multicultural issues related to instruction	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
f)	I rarely examine the instructional materials I use in the classroom for racial and ethnic bias	O_1	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆
g)	I often include examples of the experiences and perspectives of racial and ethnic groups during my classroom lessons	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
h)	I often promote diversity by the behaviors I exhibit	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
i)	I establish strong, supportive relationships with racial and ethnic minority parents	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
j)	I am knowledgeable about particular teaching strategies that affirm the racial and ethnic identities of all children erman et al., 2011	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆

Spanierman et al., 2011

G. Work Environment

The next set of questions asks about your work environment. Your responses will only be used for research and program improvement purposes.

47. Which describes your personal current work situation? (select all that apply)

- O_1 I am working remotely
- O_2 I am working physically at my center

48. As of today, which of the following learning opportunities are you providing to your class? Select all that apply.

- O₁ In-person learning
- O_2 Remote/virtual/online learning
- O_3 Distributing worksheets or packets of lessons/activities for parents to conduct with children
- O₄ Other please specify: _____

49. How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know
a)	This center has worked with at least a few other local organizations (related non-profit organizations, other schools, universities, etc.) in the past.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
b)	Teachers/staff in this center generally believe that their director genuinely believes in the critical importance of the topics of the VIQI project (quality improvement, math, language/ literacy, social-emotional learning, science).	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
c)	This center collects and uses information to figure out what children need to learn best.	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆
d)	I think I have enough understanding or knowledge to work with my children on [math] activities.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
e)	I think I have enough understanding or knowledge to work with my children on [language and literacy] activities.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
f)	I seek out information about new teaching strategies that might help children in my classroom.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
g)	In this community, there are currently new initiatives, funding opportunities, and/or professional development experiences being offered on the topics of the VIQI project (quality improvement, math, language/ literacy, social-emotional learning, science).	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆

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		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Don't Know
	In general, teachers in this center feel like their director is "on their side."	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
ŕt	Teachers in this center feel like the amount of stress in their job is manageable.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
ŀ	If I learned about an exciting new teaching practice, I feel confident that I could use it effectively in my own classroom.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
á	When I was searching for this job, I only applied for teaching and teaching-related positions, not other types of jobs.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
(This center has strong relationships with other local organizations such as churches, nonprofits, etc.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
ć	Teachers in this center talk to each other for advice/support when faced with a difficult teaching situation.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
1	If someone told me they had a new idea that might improve my teaching, I would ask them to tell me more about it.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
	People who observe me teaching would say I enjoy working with and teaching children.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
á	Teachers in this center would say the director has a history of making decisions that are in the best interest of the children.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
t	Teachers at this center are trying to meet specific goals for children's development in the topics of the VIQI project (math, language/literacy, social- emotional learning, science).	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
t	Teachers at this center have positive memories of trying to learn a new teaching strategy or curriculum in the past.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
t	People in this center decide how to improve their teaching based on what is going on in their classroom.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
(When I face a challenging situation in the classroom, I can usually figure out how to best deal with it.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
	This center provides support for teachers when they begin to feel overwhelmed.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
	In the past, the director in this center has effectively helped teachers improve their teaching.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
	I work hard at my job because it has a major impact on children's development.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
x) -	The schedule here allows time for teachers to talk to one another and exchange ideas.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆
	Teachers in this center could name at least one	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆

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	Neither					
	Strongly		Agree nor		Strongly	Don't
	Disagree	Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Agree	Know
teaching strategy or curriculum that was added in						
the past five years and is still being used well.						

Source: Wanless, 2014

[INTERVENTION TEACHERS RECEIVE ITEM #50 WHILE CONTROL GROUP TEACHERS RECEIVE ITEM #51]

50. Thinking about the VIQI curriculum, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

		Strongly disagree						Strongly agree
a)	Our leadership is committed to the new curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
b)	Leaders ensure teachers have the materials they need to successfully implement the new curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
c)	Leaders ensure teachers receive the professional development needed to successfully implement the new curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
d)	Our leadership encouraged all teaching staff to embrace the new curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O_3	O_4	O_5	O ₆	O ₇
e)	Leaders at this center have not been personally involved with the implementation of the new curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
f)	Leaders at this center believe this new curriculum is important.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
g)	Leaders at this center are open to feedback and concerns about the new curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
h)	I don't think the leaders at this center really even want the new curriculum implemented.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
i)	Our leadership has put all their support behind this change in curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇

51. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the curriculum you are using this year (2021-2022)?

		Strongly disagree						Strongly
		uisagiee						agree
j)	Our leadership is committed to the curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
k)	Leaders ensure teachers have the materials they need to successfully	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇

	implement the curriculum.							
I)	Leaders ensure teachers receive the professional development needed to successfully implement the curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
m)	Our leadership encouraged all teaching staff to embrace the curriculum.	O ₁	O_2	O_3	O_4	O_5	O ₆	O ₇
n)	Leaders at this center have not been personally involved with the implementation of the curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
o)	Leaders at this center believe this curriculum is important.	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O_5	O ₆	O ₇
p)	Leaders at this center are open to feedback and concerns about the curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
q)	I don't think the leaders at this center really even want the curriculum implemented.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
r)	Our leadership has put all their support behind this curriculum.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	07

JOB EXPERIENCES

52. This next set of questions is used to assess how staff members feel about their job and their reactions to work. Please read each statement carefully and decide if you ever feel this way about your job.

CHOOSE ONE ON EACH ROW.

		Never	A few times a year or less	Once a month or less	A few times a month	Once a week	A few times a week	Every day
a)	I feel emotionally drained from my work.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
b)	I feel used up at the end of the workday.	O ₁	O_2	O_3	O_4	O_5	O ₆	O ₇
c)	I feel fatigued when I get up in the morning and have to face another day on the job.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
d)	Working with people all day is really a strain for me.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
e)	I feel burned out from my work.	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
f)	I feel frustrated by my job.	O ₁	O_2	O_3	O_4	O_5	O ₆	O ₇
g)	I feel I'm working too hard on my job.	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
h)	Working with people directly puts too much stress on me.	O ₁	O ₂	O ₃	O ₄	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇
i)	I feel like I'm at the end of my rope.	O ₁	O_2	O ₃	O_4	O ₅	O ₆	O ₇

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53. How long do you plan to remain in teaching?

As long as I'm able
Until I am eligible for retirement benefits from this job
Until I am eligible for retirement benefits from another job
Until I am eligible for Social Security benefits
Until a specific life event occurs (e.g., parenthood, marriage)
Until a more desirable job opportunity comes along
Definitely plan to leave as soon as I can
Undecided at this time

Source: National Center for Education Statistics, 2011-2012

H. Teaching Domain-Specific Content

The items included in this section ask about your knowledge of teaching practices within the domains of: language and literacy, science, and math. You may not be familiar with all of the content in these sections. Answer the questions as best you can based on your knowledge and beliefs.

TEACHING LANGUAGE AND LITERACY

The next set of questions focus on knowledge and teacher practices in the area of language and literacy. You may not be familiar with all of the content in this section. We expect people will have different levels of familiarity with the questions being asked. We would like for you to answer the questions as best you can based on your knowledge and beliefs.

54. Carefully read each of the following multiple-choice questions. Choose only one answer from the choices provided to you for each question. If you are unsure of the right answer, please make your best guess.

- a) During group time, Ms. Betty is about to read a book to her 5-year-olds. As she reads, she runs her finger along underneath the text. Why does she do this?
 - O_1 To help children connect sounds and letters.
 - O_2 To keep children's attention.
 - O_2 To help children understand how print works.
 - ${f O}_{\scriptscriptstyle{A}}$ ~ To improve children's letter knowledge.
- b) Which of the following practices might <u>best</u> help children learn how letters are related to their letter names?
 - O_1 Matching pictures and beginning sounds.
 - O_2 Singing the alphabet song slowly and pointing to each letter.
 - O_2 Asking children to spell the letters of their name.
 - ${f O}_{\,\scriptscriptstyle A}\,$ Saying the letters of the alphabet out of order.
- c) All of the following instructional activities improve children's understanding of how we use print in daily activity EXCEPT:
 - O_1 Creating a print-rich environment.
 - O_2 Copying simple words.
 - O_3 Writing a menu.
 - O_4 Reading a recipe.

d) Each of the following is an effective way to foster language development EXCEPT:

- O₁ Asking children to plan, do, and review their free-choice activities.
- O₂ Expanding children's responses, such as "You'd like to play in the kitchen and make pizza? And what kind of pizza would you like to make today?"
- O_3 Re-reading a favorite book.
- O_4 Encouraging children to respond to questions in complete sentences.

TEACHING LANGUAGE AND LITERACY CONTINUED

Carefully read each of the following multiple-choice questions. Choose only one answer from the choices provided to you for each question. If you are unsure of the right answer, please make your best guess.

- e) Someone who engages children every day in play, discussions, conversations, and singing songs is likely to be providing which of the following?
 - O1 Opportunities for recognizing the relationship between sounds and letters.
 - O_2 Experiences for children to learn and use new language rules.
 - O₃ Opportunities for oral language development.
 - O_4 Kinesthetic tactile experiences, such as physical activities.
- f) Each of the following activities is helpful for promoting oral language development EXCEPT:
 - O₁ Naming letters.
 - O_2 Outdoor play.
 - O₂ Singing.
 - O_4 Free-choice time.
- g) Which of the following activities best promotes vocabulary development?
 - O_1 Reading a story.
 - O₂ Writing.
 - O₃ Talking.
 - O_4 Watching television.
- h) Which of the following <u>best</u> explains why developing phonemic awareness in English may be especially challenging for a child for whom English is a second language?
 - O_1 The sound system of the child's first language may not use an alphabet.
 - O_2 Some languages may require attention only to whole words, not sounds in words.
 - O_2 Sometimes teachers may not articulate sounds clearly.
 - O_{\star} The sound structure of the child's first language may be different from English.

i) Which of the following practices best help preschoolers blend sounds in words?

- O_1 Identifying words that begin with the same sound.
- O_2 Distinguishing sounds in words.
- O_3 Stretching the sounds out in a word and putting them together.
- O_4 Hearing different sounds, and identifying the letters that correspond to those sounds.

j) All of the following are important ways to encourage preschooler's early writing EXCEPT:

- O_1 Encouraging correct spelling.
- O_2 Taking dictation for children unwilling to write.
- O_3 Displaying children's writing around the room.
- O_A Having a designated writing area equipped with crayons, pencils, stencils, and several types of paper.

k) Kyesha is a 4-year old preschooler with reading skills at the kindergarten level. What is the best approach to take with Kyesha to create a supportive learning environment for her?

- Keep her involved in all group activities so her peers do not notice the difference in her ability. O₁
- Encourage her parents to enroll her in kindergarten immediately. O_2
- Make sure she has plenty of opportunities to interact with books on her own. O₃
- Have her act as a tutor to other children who may show little interest in reading. O_4

Source: Neumann, 2007

TEACHING SCIENCE

The next set of questions focus on the area of young children's science education. We would like for you to answer the questions as best you can based on your knowledge and beliefs.

55. Read the scenario below. As you read, think about the science you "see" happening in the scenario.

The class is outside on the playground. Sasha is still finishing her popsicle. "It's so sticky!" says Sasha as her popsicle melts down her hand. "It's too hot out here! The sun's making my popsicle melt!" she says. Before Sasha can eat it, the final piece of popsicle falls to the floor. She squats down to look at it and watch it melt. "It's makin' a lake," she says. Ben comes to see what's going on.

"No, it's making a river, see" he points to a line of red syrup that's running down the sidewalk. "Rivers are big. That's too small" says Sasha, pointing at the melted popsicle.

A line of ants crawls towards the melting popsicle.

"Look! The ants want to eat my popsicle!" Sasha says. "You can't eat popsicles. That's people food. You eat leaves," she says to the ants.

"Maybe they like popsicles better" says Ben. "Let's find out." Ben pulls a leaf off of a nearby bush and places it next to the puddle of melted popsicle. "I think they are going to like the popsicle better," he says. The children watch the ants. Some of them move toward the melted popsicle.

"Look!" Says Sasha, "one, two, three. Three ants are eating my popsicle. Nobody is eating the leaf!"

"I guess they like popsicles better," says Ben.

Thunder rumbles in the distance. "Oh no! It's going to rain!" says Ben, "maybe the ants can hide under the leaf to stay dry" he says as their teacher calls them to go inside.

Here is a list of science concepts. Choose all of the science concepts that you can "see" in the scenario.

CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY States of matter

 \square_7 Making observations Cause and effect

\square_2	Asking	questions
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Patterns

Earth's features

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□₃	Constructing explanations	□,	Life science	□ ₁₅	Stability and change
\square_4	Predicting	□ ₁₀	Experimenting		Ecosystems
\square_5	Interpreting data		Scale, proportion, and quantity	□17	Structure and function
\square_6	Using math		Systems		Engineering
				□19	Physical characteristics

56. Read the following scenario. Refer to it to help you answer this group of questions. Choose the one option that best applies.

Mark uses a paper towel to clean up some water that spilled. "Look!" he says, "the paper is changing colors! It's drinking the water!"

a) Which science practice can you identify in the scenario?

- O₁ Making observations
- O₂ Making predictions
- O_3 Experimenting
- $O_4 \quad \text{Asking questions} \quad$

b) Which science discipline can you identify in the scenario?

- O₁ Life science
- O₂ Physical science
- O_3 Earth and Space science
- O₄ Engineering

57. Read the following scenario. Refer to it to answer this group of questions. Choose the one option that best applies.

Mark's teacher wants to provoke him to engage in a scientific practice so that he can understand a specific crosscutting concept. Mark's teacher says, "I wonder if the plastic bag will change color too. What can you do to find out?"

a) What science practice is she trying to provoke Mark to engage in?

- O₁ Making observations
- O₂ Making predictions
- O_3 Experimenting
- O₄ Interpreting data

b) What crosscutting concept is she trying to get Mark to think about?

- O₁ Patterns
- O_2 Structure and function

- O₃ Systems
- O_4 Cause and effect

58. Read the following scenario. Refer to it to answer this group of questions. Choose the one option that best applies.

Amelia is in the block center. She is rolling marbles into a stack of blocks and watching them fall down. "I think this car will knock the block down too!" she says.

a) Which science practice can you identify in the scenario?

- O₁ Asking questions
- O₂ Making predictions
- O₃ Experimenting
- O₄ Interpreting data
- b) Which crosscutting concept can you identify in the scenario?
 - O₁ Patterns
 - O_2 Structure and function
 - O_3 Systems
 - O_4 Cause and effect

59. Read each scenario and answer the questions that follow. Choose the one option that best applies.

Santana drops two rocks down the slide. One is big and white, the other is smaller and dark grey. He does this several times. The large white rock always flies off the end of the slide and tumbles all the way to the playground gate. The smaller grey rock drops off the end of the slide and doesn't go any further. "The white rock always wins!" he says.

- a) Which of the following could the teacher say to best help Santana understand the cause and effect relationship between the weight of the rock and the distance it travels?
 - O_1 What do you notice about the weight of the rocks?
 - O_2 Can we measure how far the rock went?
 - O_3 Why do you think the big rock is heavier than the little one?
 - O_4 I see you experimenting with the rocks. What happens when you go down the slide?

b) What can the teacher add to the classroom to provoke children to think about the structure and function of different materials?

- O₁ Adding an umbrella to dramatic play
- O₂ Adding rubber gloves and mittens to the water table
- $\mathsf{O}_{\scriptscriptstyle 3}$ $\,$ Adding sponges to the science center $\,$
- $O_{4}\quad$ Adding seeds and a magnifying glass to the science center

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Camille notices a seed in her watermelon during snack time.

- c) What is the best way for the teacher to help her understand that seeds are part of a system?
 - O_1 Cut open different kinds of fruits to find seeds
 - O_2 Read an informational book about plants
 - O_3 Cut open different seeds and observe what is inside
 - O₄ Compare and sort different seeds

A teacher is guiding a small group of children in making dough by mixing flour and water. Charlie's dough is sticky and won't hold a shape. He looks at Maria's dough that she has rolled into a tight ball. Then he looks at his teacher and shows her his sticky fingers.

- d) What can the teacher do to help Charlie experiment with the materials at the table and "fix" his dough?
 - O₁ The teacher can add more flour to Charlie's dough and help him mix it.
 - O₂ The teacher can give Charlie a cup of water and a cup of flour and say, " Do you think we should add more water or flour? Let's choose one and see what happens."
 - O₃ The teacher can say, "Uh-oh, Charlie! Your dough is too wet. Let's add more flour. What do you predict will happen if we put more flour in the dough?"
 - O₄ The teacher can ask Maria to help Charlie "fix" his dough.

The children are interested in elephants. The teacher wants to help the children understand that elephants move their big ears to help them stay cool.

- e) Which of the following would be the best way for children to explore the structure and function of the elephants' ears?
 - O_1 $\;$ Taking a field trip to the zoo to observe elephants flapping their ears
 - O₂ Watching videos of elephants in the wild flapping their ears and pausing the video to ask children questions like, "Why is the elephant flapping his ears? How do you think he feels?"
 - O₃ Using different sized paper plates as fans
 - O₄ Building elephant ears out of paper plates and a headband to allow the children to pretend to be elephants

The children are cleaning up the playground. They have a pile of rocks, sticks, and leaves, and a pile of plastic bottle caps and juice box straws. These two piles can serve as data.

- f) Which of the following is the best way to get the children to interpret their "data"?
 - O₁ I notice you have two piles. Should we put the natural things back on the playground and the plastic things in the garbage?
 - O_{2} $\,$ You have collected a lot of garbage. What do you think will happen to the garbage?

- O_3 I notice you have two piles. Can we make a third pile using playground toys?
- O₄ I notice you have a pile of plastic things and a pile of natural things. On the playground, which is there more of...plastic things or natural things?

Source: Alexander, 2017

TEACHING MATHEMATICS

The next set of questions focus on knowledge and teacher practices in the area of mathematics. You may not be familiar with all of the content in this section. We expect people will have different levels of familiarity with the questions being asked. We would like for you to answer the questions as best you can based on your knowledge and beliefs.

60. Each item below has two different statements about a child showing a skill in the area of mathematics. For each item, choose the one statement that describes the math skill that a child is likely to learn first. If both skills are equally easy for a young child, choose the circle next to "Same." If you do not know the answer, choose "Do not know."

a)

- O₁ Jamie says the counting words in order from 1 to 10 (i.e., "1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10").
- O₂ Jamie says the counting words in order from 6 to 10 (i.e., responds to teacher request, "Can you count starting with the number 6? Six..." by saying: "...7, 8, 9, 10").
- O₃ Same.
- O_4 Do not know.

b)

- O_1 Pauli counts a group of seven buttons without touching them.
- O_2 Pauli counts a touchable group of seven buttons.
- O₃ Same.
- O_4 Do not know.

c)

O_____Ali correctly answers the question, "Are there more teddy bears or more turtles?"





O₃ Same.

 O_4 Do not know.

TEACHING MATHEMATICS CONTINUED

Each item below has two different statements about a child showing a skill in the area of mathematics. For each item, choose the one statement that describes the math skill that a child is likely to learn first. If both skills are equally easy for a young child, choose the circle next to "Same." If you do not know the answer, choose "Do not know."

d)

- O₁ Shea correctly answers the question "Here are two groups of teddy bears. How many altogether?" when presented with two groups of two teddy bears.
- O_2 Shea correctly answers the question, "What is two plus two?"
- O_3 Same.
- O_{A} Do not know.

e)

- O₁ Jaiden answers, "How many buttons" after counting a set of six buttons.
- O_2 Jaiden counts a row of six buttons (i.e., "1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6").
- O₃ Same.
- O_4 Do not know.

f)

- O₁ Cimarron says the counting words in order from 1 to 10 (i.e., "1, 2, 3, 4, ...).
- O₃ Same.
- O_4 Do not know.

g)

- O_1 Pilar counts a circle of seven buttons.
- O_2 Pilar counts a row of seven buttons.
- O_3 Same.
- O_4 Do not know.

h)

- O₁ Amari is presented with two groups of buttons, one with five buttons and one with two buttons. When asked "How many altogether?" in the two groups, Amari counts all of the buttons beginning with the group of five buttons ("1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7") to get to the answer.
- O₂ Amari is presented with two groups of buttons, one with five buttons and one with two buttons. "How many altogether?" In the two groups, Amari counts on from the first set ("5, 6, 7,) to get to the answer.



- O₃ Same.
- O_4 Do not know.

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TEACHING MATHEMATICS CONTINUED

Each item below has two different statements about a child showing a skill in the area of mathematics. For each item, choose the one statement that describes the math skill that a child is likely to learn first. If both skills are equally easy for a young child, choose the circle next to "Same." If you do not know the answer, choose "Do not know."

i)

- O₁ In a line of five toy sheep facing the same direction, Indigo answers the question, "Point to the second sheep in line."
- O₂ In a line of five toy sheep facing the same direction, Indigo answers the question, "Point to the first sheep in line."

O₃ Same.

O₄ Do not know.

j)

- O₁ Daevon recognizes one-digit numerals (for instance, can point out a "4" in a group of printed numbers."
- O_2 Daevon reads single digit number words (for instance, can read the word "four").

O₃ Same.

 $O_{4} \quad \text{Do not know.}$

Source: Platas, 2008

If you completed a VIQI teacher survey this fall, then you have reached the end of the survey. Thank you very much!

If this is YOUR FIRST TIME completing a VIQI teacher survey, please continue and finish the last few questions.

61. In what year were you born?



62. What is your sex?

- O_1 Female
- O_2 Male

63. What is your Ethnicity?

SELECT ONE.

- O_1 Hispanic or Latino
- O₂ Not Hispanic or Latino

64. What is your Race?

SELECT ONE OR MORE.

- \Box_1 American Indian or Alaska Native
- \square_2 Asian
- \square_3 Black or African American
- □₄ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- \square_5 White

65. What languages do you speak <u>fluently</u> and what languages do you regularly speak in your classroom?

CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY IN BOTH COLUMNS.

		l speak fluently	I regularly speak this language in my classroom
a)	English	\square_1	
b)	Spanish	\square_2	\square_2
c)	Haitian Creole	\square_3	
d)	Mandarin	\square_4	\square_4
e)	Portuguese	\square_5	
f)	Arabic	\square_6	\square_6
g)	Vietnamese	\square_7	
h)	Farsi	\square_8	
i)	Russian	D ₉	Π ₉
j)	Armenian		

66. Indicate the total number of years that you have worked in the positions listed below, <u>counting this year</u>.

a)) How many years have you been a teacher?				
	O ₁	This is my first year	O_5	11 to 15 years	
	O ₂	1 to 2 years	O ₆	16 to 20 years	
	O ₃	3 to 5 years	O ₇	More than 20 years	
	O ₄	6 to 10 years			
b)	b) How many years have you been a teacher for 3- and 4-year-olds?				
	O ₁	This is my first year	O_5	11 to 15 years	
	O_2	1 to 2 years	O ₆	16 to 20 years	
	O ₃	3 to 5 years	O ₇	More than 20 years	
	O_4	6 to 10 years			
c) How many years have you been a teacher at your current center?					
	O ₁	This is my first year	O_5	11 to 15 years	
	O ₂	1 to 2 years	O ₆	16 to 20 years	
	O ₃	3 to 5 years	O ₇	More than 20 years	
	O_4	6 to 10 years			

67. What is the highest level of schooling you have completed?

CHOOSE ONE.

- O_1 Less than a High School Diploma/GED \rightarrow SKIP TO 70
- O_2 High School Diploma/GED \rightarrow SKIP TO 70
- O_3 Vocational or Technical Diploma after High School \rightarrow SKIP TO 70
- O_4 Some College but no Degree \rightarrow SKIP TO 70
- O₅ Associate's Degree
- O₆ Bachelor's Degree
- O₇ Graduate or Professional School but no Degree
- O₈ Master's Degree
- O₉ Education specialist or professional diploma based on at least one year of course work at a Master's Degree level
- O_{10} Doctorate
- O_{11} Other

68. Indicate major field of study of your highest level degree.

CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY.

 \Box_6 Curriculum and instruction □ 1 Early childhood education \square_7 Bilingual/bicultural education \square_2 Elementary education Other education-related major (such as educational psychology, \square_8 \square_3 Special education education administration, music education, etc.) \square_9 Non-education major (such as history, English, etc.) \square_{Λ} Child development **Reading specialist**

69. What teaching credentials and licenses do you currently hold?

CHOOSE ALL THAT APPLY.

- 1 Child Development Associate (CDA) credential
- 2 State-awarded Preschool Certificate
- \square_3 State Department of Education Teaching License or Certificate in Early Childhood Education
- **I**₄ State Department of Education Teaching License or Certificate in Elementary Education
- \Box_5 State Department of Education Teaching License or Certificate in Another Area
- \square_6 None

This is the end of the survey.

Thank you!

Communication to Participants Regarding Survey and Honorarium

Overview: The follow-up survey that will be administered to consented teachers/assistant teachers will be accompanied by a letter or email that introduces the survey. If a survey is not received, a follow-up reminder letter or email(s) may be sent.

SURVEY LETTERS/EMAILS

The following items will be addressed in communications to teachers/assistant teachers regarding the survey administered at follow-up:

- Brief reminder about the study and a brief description of the survey
- Description of how to return the survey
- Deadline for submission
- Toll-free number or study email address for technical issues or questions about the survey

THANK YOU LETTERS/EMAILS

Teachers/Assistant teachers who submit a survey will receive a thank you letter or email. The note will thank them for completing the survey and encourage future participation. The following items will be addressed in thank you notes:

- Thank you for participation
- Study importance
- Acknowledgement of the honorarium to their center or them as a thank you for their time
- [if necessary] Reminder about future data collections