Reading
Student Questionnaire

2011
Grade 4
In this section, please tell us about yourself and your family. The section has 10 questions. Mark your answers in your booklet. Fill in only one oval for each question except where instructed otherwise.

1. Are you Hispanic or Latino? Fill in one or more ovals.
   - No, I am not Hispanic or Latino.
   - Yes, I am Mexican, Mexican American, or Chicano.
   - Yes, I am Puerto Rican or Puerto Rican American.
   - Yes, I am Cuban or Cuban American.
   - Yes, I am from some other Hispanic or Latino background.

2. Which of the following best describes you? Fill in one or more ovals.
   - White
   - Black or African American
   - Asian
   - American Indian or Alaska Native
   - Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
For the rest of the questions in this section, fill in only one oval for each question.

3. Does your family get any magazines regularly?
   ☐ Yes
   ☐ No
   ☐ I don’t know.

4. About how many books are there in your home?
   ☐ Few (0–10)
   ☐ Enough to fill one shelf (11–25)
   ☐ Enough to fill one bookcase (26–100)
   ☐ Enough to fill several bookcases (more than 100)

5. Is there a computer at home that you use?
   ☐ Yes
   ☐ No

6. Is there an encyclopedia in your home? It could be a set of books, or it could be on the computer.
   ☐ Yes
   ☐ No
   ☐ I don’t know.

7. About how many pages a day do you have to read in school and for homework?
   ☐ 5 or fewer
   ☐ 6–10
   ☐ 11–15
   ☐ 16–20
   ☐ More than 20

8. How often do you talk about things you have studied in school with someone in your family?
   ☐ Never or hardly ever
   ☐ Once every few weeks
   ☐ About once a week
   ☐ Two or three times a week
   ☐ Every day

9. How many days were you absent from school in the last month?
   ☐ None
   ☐ 1 or 2 days
   ☐ 3 or 4 days
   ☐ 5 to 10 days
   ☐ More than 10 days
10. How often do people in your home talk to each other in a language other than English?

- Never
- Once in a while
- About half of the time
- All or most of the time
SECTION 4

This section has 22 questions. Mark your answers in your booklet. Fill in only one oval for each question except where instructed otherwise.

1. How often do you feel you learn a lot when you read books?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - Sometimes
   - Often
   - Always or almost always

2. How often do you feel reading is one of your favorite subjects?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - Sometimes
   - Often
   - Always or almost always

3. How often do you use either the school library or the public library to get information for a school project or homework?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - Once or twice a month
   - Once or twice a week
   - Every day or almost every day

4. How often do you use either the school library or the public library to get information for your own use?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - Once or twice a month
   - Once or twice a week
   - Every day or almost every day

5. Do you study or do work for reading at an after-school or tutoring program?
   - Yes
   - No

6. How often do you read for fun on your own time?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - Once or twice a month
   - Once or twice a week
   - Almost every day
7. How often do you talk with your friends or family about something you have read?
- ☐ Never or hardly ever
- ☐ Once or twice a month
- ☐ Once or twice a week
- ☐ Almost every day

8. How often does your teacher ask you to make a presentation to the class about something that you have read?
- ☐ Never or hardly ever
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always or almost always

9. How often does your teacher ask you to read articles or stories in a magazine or in newspapers?
- ☐ Never or hardly ever
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always or almost always

10. How often does your teacher ask you to read aloud?
- ☐ Never or hardly ever
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always or almost always

11. How often does your teacher ask you to read silently?
- ☐ Never or hardly ever
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always or almost always

12. How often does your teacher ask you to read a book you have chosen yourself?
- ☐ Never or hardly ever
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always or almost always
13. How often does your teacher ask you to write something about what you have read?

☐ Never or hardly ever
☐ Sometimes
☐ Often
☐ Always or almost always

14. For school this year, how often do you work in pairs or small groups to talk about something that you have read?

☐ Never or hardly ever
☐ A few times a year
☐ Once or twice a month
☐ At least once a week

15. For school this year, how often do you have a class discussion about something that the class has read?

☐ Never or hardly ever
☐ A few times a year
☐ Once or twice a month
☐ At least once a week

16. When reading a story in class, how often does your teacher ask you to explain the story in your own words?

☐ Never or hardly ever
☐ Sometimes
☐ Often
☐ Always or almost always

17. When reading a story in class, how often does your teacher ask you to talk about what the characters do and feel?

☐ Never or hardly ever
☐ Sometimes
☐ Often
☐ Always or almost always

18. When reading a story in class, how often does your teacher ask you to talk about how you feel about the story?

☐ Never or hardly ever
☐ Sometimes
☐ Often
☐ Always or almost always
19. For school this year, how often have you been asked to write long answers to questions on tests or assignments that involved reading?

- Never
- Once or twice this year
- Once or twice a month
- At least once a week

20. How hard was this test compared to most other tests you have taken this year in school?

- Easier than other tests
- About as hard as other tests
- Harder than other tests
- Much harder than other tests

21. How hard did you try on this test compared to how hard you tried on most other tests you have taken this year in school?

- Not as hard as on other tests
- About as hard as on other tests
- Harder than on other tests
- Much harder than on other tests

22. How important was it to you to do well on this test?

- Not very important
- Somewhat important
- Important
- Very important