In this section, please tell us about yourself and your family. The section has 15 questions. Mark your answers in your booklet.

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
Section 3

For the rest of the questions in this section, fill in only one oval for each question.

3. Does your family get a newspaper at least four times a week?
   - ☐ Yes
   - ☐ No
   - ☐ I don’t know.

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

5. 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)

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

7. 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.

8. Is there a world atlas in your home? It could be a book of maps of the world, or it could be on the computer.
   - ☐ Yes
   - ☐ No
   - ☐ I don’t know.

9. 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
10. 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

11. On a school day, about how many hours do you usually watch TV or videotapes outside of school?
- None
- 1 hour or less
- 2 or 3 hours
- 4 or 5 hours
- 6 hours or more

12. 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

13. How far in school did your mother go?
- She did not finish high school.
- She graduated from high school.
- She had some education after high school.
- She graduated from college.
- I don’t know.

14. How far in school did your father go?
- He did not finish high school.
- He graduated from high school.
- He had some education after high school.
- He graduated from college.
- I don’t know.

15. 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
This section is about reading and writing. The section has 24 questions. Mark your answers in your booklet. Fill in only one oval for each question.

Questions 1–4. The following questions are about reading and writing. For each question, please mark the answer that best describes you.

1. When I read books, I learn a lot.
   ☐ This is not like me.
   ☐ This is a little like me.
   ☐ This is a lot like me.

2. Reading is one of my favorite activities.
   ☐ This is not like me.
   ☐ This is a little like me.
   ☐ This is a lot like me.

3. Writing things like stories or letters is one of my favorite activities.
   ☐ This is not like me.
   ☐ This is a little like me.
   ☐ This is a lot like me.

4. Writing helps me share my ideas.
   ☐ This is not like me.
   ☐ This is a little like me.
   ☐ This is a lot like me.
5. 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

6. 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

7. How often do you write in a private diary or journal outside of school?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - Once or twice a month
   - Once or twice a week
   - Almost every day

8. How often do you write stories or poems for fun outside of school?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - Once or twice a month
   - Once or twice a week
   - Almost every day

9. How often do you write e-mails to your friends or family?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - Once or twice a month
   - Once or twice a week
   - Almost every day
10. How often do you read stories or poems for fun outside of school?
   ☐ Never or hardly ever
   ☐ A few times a year
   ☐ Once or twice a month
   ☐ At least once a week

11. How often do you read to learn about real things (such as facts about dinosaurs or other countries) for fun outside of school?
   ☐ Never or hardly ever
   ☐ A few times a year
   ☐ Once or twice a month
   ☐ At least once a week

12. How often do you read stories or articles that you find on the Internet for fun outside of school?
   ☐ Never or hardly ever
   ☐ A few times a year
   ☐ Once or twice a month
   ☐ At least once a week
13. 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

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 write in a journal about something that you have read for class?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - A few times a year
   - Once or twice a month
   - At least once a week

16. So far this year, how many times have you written a book report?
   - Never
   - Once
   - 2 or 3 times
   - 4 or 5 times
   - 6 or more times

17. So far this year, how many times have you made a presentation to the class about something that you have read?
   - Never
   - Once
   - 2 or 3 times
   - 4 or 5 times
   - 6 or more times

18. So far this year, how many times have you done a school project about something that you have read (for example, written a play, created a poster)?
   - Never
   - Once
   - 2 or 3 times
   - 4 or 5 times
   - 6 or more times
Questions 19-22. The following questions ask about the subjects that you study in school this year.

19. How often do you read paperbacks, softcover books, or magazines for reading?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - A few times a year
   - Once or twice a month
   - At least once a week

20. How often do you read paperbacks, softcover books, puzzle books, or magazines for science?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - A few times a year
   - Once or twice a month
   - At least once a week

21. How often do you read paperbacks, softcover books, or magazines for social studies or history?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - A few times a year
   - Once or twice a month
   - At least once a week

22. How often do you read paperbacks, softcover books, puzzle books, or magazines for math?
   - Never or hardly ever
   - A few times a year
   - Once or twice a month
   - At least once a week
23. 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

24. When you have reading assignments in school, how often does your teacher give you time to read books you have chosen yourself?

☐ Never or hardly ever
☐ Once or twice a month
☐ Once or twice a week
☐ Almost every day