



Reading Student Questionnaire

**2016
Grade 8
(Pilot)**

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1. For school this year, how often do you use the following devices to read a story, article, or book? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	Several times a day	
a. Desktop computer	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	VH260200
b. Laptop computer	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	VH260201
c. Tablet (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	VH260202

2. How often do you receive help from a tutor, family member, or friend with English/language arts **outside of school or after school**?

- (A) Never
- (B) About once or twice a year
- (C) About once or twice a month
- (D) About once or twice a week
- (E) Every day or almost every day

3. In this school year, how often do you borrow reading materials (such as books or magazines) from your school library or media center?

- (A) Never
- (B) About once or twice a year
- (C) About once or twice a month
- (D) About once or twice a week
- (E) Every day or almost every day

4. For school this year, how often have you been asked to write long answers (several sentences or paragraphs) to questions on tests or assignments that involved reading?

- Ⓐ Never
- Ⓑ Once
- Ⓒ Two or three times
- Ⓓ Four to five times
- Ⓔ More than five times

5. 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

6. For your English/language arts class this year, how often do you do each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a. Have a class discussion about something that the whole class has read	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH332888
b. Work in pairs or small groups to talk about something that you have read	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH332889

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7. Now think about reading and writing you do for school. For your **English** class this year, how often do you do each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never or hardly ever	A few times a year	Once or twice a month	At least once a week	
a. Have a class discussion about something that the whole class has read	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	VH240416
b. Work in pairs or small groups to talk about something that you have read	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	VH240415

VH332903

8. For your English/language arts class so far this year, how many times have you done each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never	Once	Two or three times	Four to five times	More than five times	
a. Completed a project about something that you have read (for example, written a play, created a website)	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH332905
b. Conducted research for reading and writing projects	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH332904

VH240417

9. For your **English** class so far this year, how many times have you done each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never	Once	2 or 3 times	4 or 5 times	6 or more times	
a. Done a project about something that you have read (for example, written a play, created a website)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH240421
b. Conducted research for reading and writing projects	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH240419

VH333044

10. In your English/language arts class this year, how often does your class do each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a. Read silently	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333046
b. Explain what we have read	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333052
c. Read books we have chosen ourselves	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333050

VH240422

11. In your English/language arts class this year, how often does your class do each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never or hardly ever	Once or twice a month	Once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a. Read silently	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240424
b. Explain what we have read	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240426
c. Read books we have chosen ourselves	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240428

VH333074

12. In your English/language arts class this year, when reading a story, article, or other passage, how often does your teacher ask you to do the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never or hardly ever	Once in a while	Sometimes	Often	Always or almost always	
a. Summarize the passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333075
b. Interpret the meaning of the passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333076
c. Question the motives or feelings of the characters	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333079
d. Identify the main ideas of the passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333078
e. Identify the themes of the passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333094
f. Analyze two or more texts on the same topic	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333077

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13. In your English/language arts class this year, when reading a story, article, or other passage, how often does your teacher ask you to do the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never or hardly ever	Once or twice a month	Once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a. Summarize the passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240438
b. Interpret the meaning of the passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240439
c. Question the motives or feelings of the characters	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240440
d. Identify the main themes or main ideas of the passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240443

14. In your English/language arts class this year, how often do you use a computer or other digital device to do each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a. Learn and practice vocabulary	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333112
b. Practice spelling and grammar	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333113
c. Access reading-related websites (for example, websites with book reviews and lists of recommended books)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333116
d. Conduct research for reading and writing projects	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333120
e. Read books or articles	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333115

15. In your English/language arts class this year, how often do you use a computer to do each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never or hardly ever	Once or twice a month	Once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a. Learn and practice vocabulary	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240448
b. Practice spelling and grammar	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240449
c. Access reading-related websites (for example, websites with book reviews and lists of recommended books)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240459
d. Conduct research for reading and writing projects	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240454
e. Read books or articles using a computer or other digital technology	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240453

16. In your English/language arts class this year, when reading a story, article, or other passage, how often does your teacher ask you to do the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never or hardly ever	Once in a while	Sometimes	Often	Always or almost always	
a. Evaluate the main evidence in a persuasive/argument passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260256
b. Analyze the author's organization of information in a passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333142
c. Critique the author's craft or technique	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333144

17. In your English/language arts class this year, when reading a story, article, or other passage, how often does your teacher ask you to do the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never or hardly ever	Once or twice a month	Once or twice a week	I don't know.	
a. Evaluate the main arguments or evidence in a persuasive passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240434
b. Analyze the author's organization of information in a passage	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240436
c. Critique the author's craft or technique	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240435

18. How much does each of the following statements describe a person like you? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Not at all like me	A little bit like me	Somewhat like me	Quite a bit like me	Exactly like me	
a. I read only if I have to.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260270
b. Reading is one of my favorite activities.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260271
c. I like talking about books with other people.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260272
d. I find it difficult to finish books.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260273
e. I feel happy if I receive a book as a present.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260274
f. I think reading is important.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260275
g. I enjoy going to a bookstore or a library.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260277
h. I read only to get information that I need.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260278
i. I like to exchange books with my friends.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260281

19. How often do you do each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a. Read for fun on your own time	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333224
b. Talk with your friends or family about something you have read	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333225

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20. How often do you do each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never or hardly ever	Once or twice a month	Once or twice a week	Almost every day	
a. Read for fun on your own time	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240411
b. Talk with your friends or family about something you have read	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240408

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21. Please indicate how much you agree with the following statements about reading. Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Agree	Strongly agree	
a. When I read books, I learn a lot.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	VH333182
b. Reading is one of my favorite activities.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	VH333181
c. Reading is enjoyable.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	VH333183

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22. Please indicate how much you DISAGREE or AGREE with the following statements about reading and writing. Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	
a. When I read books, I learn a lot.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240404
b. Reading is one of my favorite activities.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240400
c. Reading is enjoyable.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	VH240402

23. Besides doing homework, how much time do you spend reading **outside of school**?

- Ⓐ Less than 30 minutes a day
- Ⓑ 30 minutes up to 1 hour a day
- Ⓒ 1 up to 2 hours a day
- Ⓓ 2 up to 3 hours a day
- Ⓔ 3 up to 4 hours a day
- Ⓕ More than 4 hours a day

24. On a typical school day, how much time do you use a computer or other digital device to do your **English/language arts** schoolwork and homework?

- Ⓐ Less than 30 minutes
- Ⓑ 30 minutes up to 1 hour
- Ⓒ 1 up to 2 hours
- Ⓓ 2 up to 3 hours
- Ⓔ 3 up to 4 hours
- Ⓕ More than 4 hours

25. Which of the following statements are true about the ways in which you and your teachers use computers or other digital devices in your English/language arts class? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Yes	No	
a. There are computers or other digital devices that I can use for my English/language arts schoolwork.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH260664
b. There is Wi-Fi or some other Internet connection that I can use for my English/language arts schoolwork.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH260665
c. My English/language arts teacher uses computers or other digital devices when teaching my class.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH260666
d. My English/language arts teacher requires us to use computers or other digital devices to complete assignments.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH260667

26. Do you think you would be able to do each of the following when reading? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	I definitely can't	I probably can't	Maybe	I probably can	I definitely can	
a. Figure out the meaning of a word you don't know by using other words in the text	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260848
b. Explain the meaning of something you have read	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260849
c. Understand the feelings of characters in a story	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260850
d. Figure out the main idea of a text	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260851
e. Figure out the theme of a text	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260852
f. Judge the reliability of sources (for example, how a website might be biased or inaccurate)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260857
g. Credit others for their ideas (for example, citing sources, using endnotes and footnotes in reports)	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260858
h. Find text in a reading passage to help you answer a question on a test	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260859
i. Recognize when you don't understand something you are reading	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260861
j. Recognize the difference between fact and opinion in a text	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260863
k. Critique an author's craft or technique	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260866
l. Use evidence in a text to support my answer	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260867
m. Identify the author's perspective in a persuasive text	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260868

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27. How often do you typically do each of the following things **outside of school**? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a. Talk about books (print or online) with other people	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D	<input type="radio"/> E	VH260907
b. Go to my local library to borrow books (print or online)	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D	<input type="radio"/> E	VH260911
c. Read blogs	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D	<input type="radio"/> E	VH260913
d. Use social media (for example, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D	<input type="radio"/> E	VH333261
e. Help friends with reading homework	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D	<input type="radio"/> E	VH260917

VH333279

28. In this school year, did you participate in a book club?

- A Yes
- B No

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29. Have you ever participated in a summer reading program?

- A Yes
- B No

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30. Last summer, did you participate in a summer reading program?

- A Yes
- B No

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31. How much does each of the following statements describe a person like you? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Not at all like me	A little bit like me	Somewhat like me	Quite a bit like me	Exactly like me	
a. I want other students to think I am good at reading.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260928
b. I want to show others that my English/language arts schoolwork is easy for me.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260929
c. I want to look smart in comparison to the other students in my English/language arts class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260930
d. I want to learn as much as possible in my English/language arts class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260931
e. I want to master a lot of new skills in my English/language arts class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260932
f. I want to pass my English/language arts class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260933
g. I want to become a better reader this year.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260934
h. I want to get better grades than most other students in my English/language arts class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260935
i. I want to get good grades in my English/language arts class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260936
j. I want to avoid making mistakes in front of my classmates in my English/language arts class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260937
k. I want to understand as much as I can in my English/language arts class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260938
l. I want to hide how nervous I am about reading.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH333328

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32. In your English/language arts class this school year, how often have you done each of the following? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never or hardly ever	Less than half of the time	About half of the time	More than half of the time	All or almost all of the time	
a. I came to my English/language arts class prepared.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260952
b. I remembered and followed directions from my English/language arts teacher.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260953
c. I started working on reading assignments right away rather than waiting until the last minute.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260954
d. I paid attention and resisted distractions during English/language arts class.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260955
e. I stayed on task without reminders from my English/language arts teacher.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260957
f. I paid attention in my English/language arts class even when I was not interested.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH260958

33. How often do you typically read each of the following **outside of school** (print or online)? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Never	About once or twice a year	About once or twice a month	About once or twice a week	Every day or almost every day	
a. Stories or novels	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH261066
b. Poems	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH261067
c. Plays	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH261068
d. Autobiographies	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH261069
e. Comic books	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH261070
f. Magazines	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH261071
g. Blogs or personal web pages	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH261073
h. E-mails	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH261074
i. Text messages	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH261075

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34. 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

VH240002

35. 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

VH240003

36. How important was it to you to do well on this test?
- Ⓐ Not very important
 - Ⓑ Somewhat important
 - Ⓒ Important
 - Ⓓ Very important

37. How easy or difficult was this test?

- Ⓐ Extremely difficult
- Ⓑ Quite difficult
- Ⓒ Somewhat difficult
- Ⓓ Somewhat easy
- Ⓔ Quite easy
- Ⓕ Extremely easy

38. How many questions do you think you answered correctly on this test?

- Ⓐ None or almost none
- Ⓑ Some but less than half
- Ⓒ About half
- Ⓓ More than half but not all
- Ⓔ All or almost all

39. How similar were the questions on this test to the questions on your **English/language arts** quizzes and tests at school?

- Ⓐ Not similar at all
- Ⓑ Not similar
- Ⓒ Somewhat similar
- Ⓓ Quite similar
- Ⓔ Extremely similar

40. How much do you agree with each of the following statements? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Agree	Strongly agree	
a. I applied a lot of effort to succeed on this test.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	VH260334
b. Taking this test was stressful.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	VH260335
c. Taking this test was challenging.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	VH260336
d. I felt time pressure when taking this test.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	VH260338

41. How much effort did you apply to succeed on this test?

- (A) No effort at all
- (B) Very little effort
- (C) Some effort
- (D) Quite a bit of effort
- (E) A lot of effort

42. How stressful was taking this test?

- (A) Not stressful at all
- (B) A little stressful
- (C) Somewhat stressful
- (D) Quite stressful
- (E) Extremely stressful

43. How challenging was taking this test?

- Ⓐ Not challenging at all
- Ⓑ A little challenging
- Ⓒ Somewhat challenging
- Ⓓ Quite challenging
- Ⓔ Extremely challenging

44. How much time pressure did you feel when taking this test?

- Ⓐ No time pressure at all
- Ⓑ A little bit of time pressure
- Ⓒ Some time pressure
- Ⓓ Quite a bit of time pressure
- Ⓔ A lot of time pressure

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