



Writing Student Questionnaire

2017
Grade 4

VH240003

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

- Ⓐ Not very important
- Ⓑ Somewhat important
- Ⓒ Important
- Ⓓ Very important

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2. How easy or difficult was this test?

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

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

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

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4. How challenging was taking this test?

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

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5. 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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6. Are you Hispanic or Latino? Select **one or more** answer choices.

- Ⓐ 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.

7. Which of the following best describes you? Select **one or more** answer choices.

- Ⓐ White
- Ⓑ Black or African American
- Ⓒ Asian
- Ⓓ American Indian or Alaska Native
- Ⓔ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

8. 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)

9. Do you have any of the following in your home? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Access to the Internet	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH271105
b. Clothes dryer just for your family	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH336756
c. Dishwasher	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH336759
d. Your own bedroom	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH336762
e. A desktop or laptop computer (including Chromebooks) that you can use	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH591976
f. A tablet (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) that you can use	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH271110
g. A smartphone (for example, iPhone, Samsung Galaxy, HTC One) that you can use	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	VH271112

10. How often do you use the Internet for homework at home?

- A Never
- B About once or twice a month
- C About once or twice a week
- D Almost every day
- E Every day

11. How many days were you absent from school in the last month?

- A None
- B 1 or 2 days
- C 3 or 4 days
- D 5 to 10 days
- E More than 10 days

12. 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

13. Do any of the following people live in your home? Select **one** answer choice on each row.

	Yes	No	
a. Mother	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	VH271145
b. Stepmother	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	VH271146
c. Foster mother or other female legal guardian	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	VH271147
d. Father	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	VH271148
e. Stepfather	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	VH271149
f. Foster father or other male legal guardian	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	VH271150

14. In this school year, how often did you use a **laptop or desktop computer** (including Chromebooks) during your classes at school?

- Ⓐ Never
- Ⓑ In some classes
- Ⓒ In about half of the classes
- Ⓓ In more than half of the classes
- Ⓔ In all or almost all classes

15. In this school year, how often did you use a **tablet** (for example, Surface Pro, iPad, Kindle Fire) during your classes at school?

- Ⓐ Never
- Ⓑ In some classes
- Ⓒ In about half of the classes
- Ⓓ In more than half of the classes
- Ⓔ In all or almost all classes

16. 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	Very much like me	
a. I finish whatever I begin.	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH271338
b. I try very hard even after making mistakes.	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH271339
c. I keep working hard even when I feel like quitting.	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH271342
d. I keep trying to improve myself, even when it takes a long time to get there.	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH271345

17. In 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 started working on assignments right away rather than waiting until the last minute.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH271370
b. I paid attention and resisted distractions.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH271372
c. I stayed on task without reminders from my teacher.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH271374
d. I paid attention in class even when I was not interested.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH271375

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	Very much like me	
a. I like complex problems more than easy problems.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH271750
b. I like activities that challenge my thinking abilities.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH271752
c. I enjoy situations where I will have to think about something.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH271753
d. I enjoy thinking about new solutions to problems.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH271756

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19. In this school year, how often have you felt any of the following ways about your school? 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 felt awkward and out of place at school.	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH271942
b. I felt happy at school.	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH271944
c. I felt that I learned something that I can use in my daily life.	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH336903

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20. Write the ZIP code of your home address in the box.

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21. For school this year, how often do you write stories?

- Ⓐ Never or hardly ever
- Ⓑ A few times a year
- Ⓒ Once or twice a month
- Ⓓ At least once a week

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22. For school this year, how often do you write reports?

- Ⓐ 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 do you write letters?

- Ⓐ Never or hardly ever
- Ⓑ A few times a year
- Ⓒ Once or twice a month
- Ⓓ At least once a week

24. For school this year, how often do you typically write for each of the following purposes? 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. To explain something that you know or have read	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH312245
b. To convince or persuade someone	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH312246
c. To describe a real experience (for example, write about factual events or personal experiences)	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH312247
d. To describe an imagined experience (for example, tell a fictional story)	Ⓐ	Ⓑ	Ⓒ	Ⓓ	Ⓔ	VH312248

25. For school this year, how often do you look for information on the Internet to include in your writing?

- Ⓐ Never or hardly ever
- Ⓑ A few times a year
- Ⓒ Once or twice a month
- Ⓓ At least once a week

26. In a day, about how much time do you spend writing **on paper** for school assignments?

- Ⓐ None
- Ⓑ About 10 minutes
- Ⓒ About 30 minutes
- Ⓓ About 1 hour
- Ⓔ More than 1 hour

27. In a day, about how much time do you spend writing **on a computer** for school assignments?

- Ⓐ None
- Ⓑ About 10 minutes
- Ⓒ About 30 minutes
- Ⓓ About 1 hour
- Ⓔ More than 1 hour

28. Which best describes the way you type on a keyboard?

- Ⓐ I don't know how to type using a keyboard.
- Ⓑ I can type with one or two fingers, but I have to search for where the letter keys are.
- Ⓒ I can type with one or two fingers, and I know where most of the letter keys are.
- Ⓓ I can type with all ten fingers when I look at the keyboard.
- Ⓔ I can type with all ten fingers without looking at the keyboard.
- Ⓕ I type using a way other than both hands.

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

	I definitely can't	I probably can't	Maybe	I probably can	I definitely can	
a. Explain something in my writing	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH311982
b. Convince someone of something in my writing	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH616470
c. Tell an imaginary story in my writing	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH311984
d. Write a paper using correct grammar	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH315010

30. Thinking about your English/language arts class this year, 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 to be a better writer than my classmates.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH312048
b. I want my teacher to think I am a good writer.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH312050
c. I want to have my classmates believe I can write well.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH312043
d. I want to become a better writer.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH312042
e. I want to improve how I express my ideas.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH312038
f. I want to better organize my ideas when writing.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH312051

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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. Writing is one of my favorite activities.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH312353
b. Writing is easy for me.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH312356
c. I enjoy expressing my thoughts in writing.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH314723
d. I enjoy sharing my writing with others.	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	VH314733

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32. In a typical week, how many days do you spend writing **on your own and not for school**—for example, writing stories or keeping a journal at home? Fill in a number **between 0 and 7**.

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33. How often do you write to your friends or family using a computer or other digital device (for example, writing e-mails, blog posts, text messages, instant messages, or personal web pages)?

- (A) Never or hardly ever
- (B) Once or twice a month
- (C) Once or twice a week
- (D) Every day or almost every day