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Directions

In this booklet, you will find questions about you and what you think. For each question, you should choose the answer you think is best.

Let us take a few minutes to practice the kinds of questions you will answer in this booklet.

Example 1 is one kind of question you will find in this booklet.

Example 1

Do you go to school?

*Fill **one** circle only.*

Yes -- ○

No -- ○

Example 2 is another kind of question you will find in this booklet.

Example 2

How often do you do these things?

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or almost never
a) I listen to music	○	○	○	○
b) I talk with my friends	○	○	○	○
c) I play sports	○	○	○	○

Example 3 is another kind of question you will find in this booklet.

Example 3

What do you think? Tell how much you agree with these statements.

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	Agree a lot	Agree a little	Disagree a little	Disagree a lot
a) Watching movies is fun	○	○	○	○
b) I like eating ice cream	○	○	○	○
c) I do not like waking up early	○	○	○	○
d) I enjoy doing chores	○	○	○	○

- Read each question carefully, and pick the answer you think is best.
- Fill in the circle next to your answer.
- If you decide to change your answer, draw an **x** through your first answer and then fill in the circle next to or under your new answer.
- Ask for help if you do not understand something or are not sure how to answer.

About you

1

Are you a girl or a boy?

*Fill **one** circle only.*

Girl -- ○

Boy -- ○

2

When were you born?

Fill the circles next to the month and year you were born.

a) Month	b) Year
January -- ○	1993 -- ○
February -- ○	1994 -- ○
March -- ○	1995 -- ○
April -- ○	1996 -- ○
May -- ○	1997 -- ○
June -- ○	1998 -- ○
July -- ○	1999 -- ○
August -- ○	2000 -- ○
September -- ○	Other -- ○
October -- ○	
November -- ○	
December -- ○	

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How often do you do these things <u>outside of school</u>?

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or almost never
a) I read aloud to someone at home	○	○	○	○
b) I listen to someone at home read aloud to me	○	○	○	○
c) I talk with my friends about what I am reading	○	○	○	○
d) I talk with my family about what I am reading	○	○	○	○
e) I read for fun outside of school	○	○	○	○
f) I read to find out about things I want to learn	○	○	○	○

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How often do you read these things <u>outside of school</u>?

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or almost never
a) I read comic books	○	○	○	○
b) I read stories or novels	○	○	○	○
c) I read books that explain things *(For example, you might read about your favorite athlete, about animals you like, or a place you visited.)*	○	○	○	○
d) I read magazines	○	○	○	○
e) I read newspapers	○	○	○	○
f) I read directions or instructions *(For example, you might read them to put a toy together, to learn how to play a game, or to do something else.)*	○	○	○	○
g) I read brochures and catalogues	○	○	○	○

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About how much time do you spend doing the following things outside of school on a normal school day?

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	5 hours or more	From 3 hours up to 5 hours	From 1 hour up to 3 hours	Up to 1 hour	No time
a) Watching television (including videos or DVD)	○	○	○	○	○
b) Playing video or computer games (including Nintendo®, Gameboy®, or Play Station®)	○	○	○	○	○
c) Reading stories and articles on the Internet	○	○	○	○	○
d) Reading stories and articles in books or magazines	○	○	○	○	○

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In school, how often do these things happen?

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

In school ...	Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or almost never
a) my teacher reads aloud to the class	○	○	○	○
b) I read aloud to the whole class	○	○	○	○
c) I read aloud to a small group of students in my class	○	○	○	○
d) I read silently on my own	○	○	○	○
e) I read books that I choose myself	○	○	○	○

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After you have read something <u>in class</u>, how often do you do these things?

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

After I have read something in class ...	Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or almost never
a) I answer questions in a workbook or on a worksheet about what I have read	○	○	○	○
b) I write something about what I have read (*For example, a summary, a story, or how I felt about what I read*)	○	○	○	○
c) I answer questions aloud about what I have read	○	○	○	○
d) I talk with other students about what I have read	○	○	○	○

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How often does your teacher give you reading to do for homework (for any subject)?

*Fill **one** circle only.*

- I never have reading to do for homework -- ○
- Less than once a week -- ○
- 1 or 2 times a week -- ○
- 3 or 4 times a week -- ○
- Every day -- ○

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If you need help with your reading homework who helps you the <u>most</u>?

*Fill **one** circle only.*

- I never have reading to do for homework -- ○
- I never need help -- ○
- Parents or grandparents -- ○
- Brother or sister -- ○
- Teacher or tutor -- ○
- Someone else -- ○
- There is nobody to help -- ○

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On days when you have reading to do for homework (for any subject), how much time do you spend on this reading?

*Fill **one** circle only.*

- I never have reading to do for homework -- ○
- Half hour or less -- ○
- More than a half hour to 1 hour -- ○
- More than 1 hour -- ○

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How often do you use a computer in each of these places?

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or almost never
a) I use a computer at home	○	○	○	○
b) I use a computer at school	○	○	○	○
c) I use a computer at some other place	○	○	○	○

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How often do you use the Internet to do these things?

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	Every day or almost every day	Once or twice a week	Once or twice a month	Never or almost never
a) Look up information for school	○	○	○	○
b) Look up things about sports	○	○	○	○
c) Find out about music	○	○	○	○
d) Find out about other activities and interests	○	○	○	○
e) Chat, e-mail, or instant message with friends	○	○	○	○

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a. How often do you borrow books from your school or local library?

*Fill **one** circle only.*

At least once a week -- ○

Once or twice a month -- ○

A few times a year -- ○

Never or almost never -- ○

b. When you borrow books from your school or local library, are they mainly in English?

Yes---- ○ No--- ○

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What do you think about reading? Tell how much you agree with each of these statements.

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	Agree a lot	Agree a little	Disagree a little	Disagree a lot
a) I read only if I have to	○	○	○	○
b) I like talking about books with other people	○	○	○	○
c) I would be happy if someone gave me a book as a present	○	○	○	○
d) I think reading is boring	○	○	○	○
e) I need to read well for my future	○	○	○	○
f) I enjoy reading	○	○	○	○

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How well do you read? Tell how much you agree with each of these statements.

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	Agree a lot	Agree a little	Disagree a little	Disagree a lot
a) Reading is very easy for me	○	○	○	○
b) I do not read as well as other students in my class	○	○	○	○
c) When I am reading by myself, I understand almost everything I read	○	○	○	○
d) I read slower than other students in my class	○	○	○	○

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What do you think about your school? Tell how much you agree with these statements.

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	Agree a lot	Agree a little	Disagree a little	Disagree a lot
a) I like being in school	○	○	○	○
b) I think that teachers in my school care about me	○	○	○	○
c) I feel safe when I am at school	○	○	○	○
d) Students in my school show respect to each other	○	○	○	○
e) Students in my school care about each other	○	○	○	○
f) Students in my school help each other with their work	○	○	○	○

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Did any of these things happen at school during the last month (as far as you know)?

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

At school ...	Yes	No
a) something was stolen from me	○	○
b) something was stolen from someone in my class	○	○
c) I was bullied by another student	○	○
d) someone in my class was bullied by another student	○	○
e) I was injured by another student	○	○
f) someone in my class was injured by another student	○	○

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Which language did you speak before you started school?

If you spoke more than one language at the same time before you started school you can check "Yes" for more than one language.

	Yes	No
a) English	○	○
b) Spanish	○	○
c) Vietnamese	○	○
d) Chinese	○	○
e) a Filipino language	○	○
f) Other	○	○

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How often do you speak English at home?

*Fill **one** circle only.*

I always speak English ○

I sometimes speak English and sometimes speak another language ○

I never speak English ○

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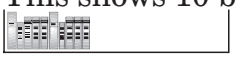
About how many books are there in your home?

(Do not count magazines, newspapers, or your school books.)

*Fill **one** circle only.*

None or very few (0-10 books) -- ○

This shows 10 books

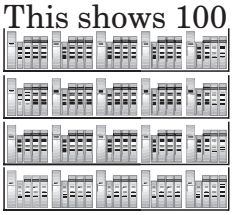


Enough to fill one shelf (11-25 books) -- ○

This shows 25 books

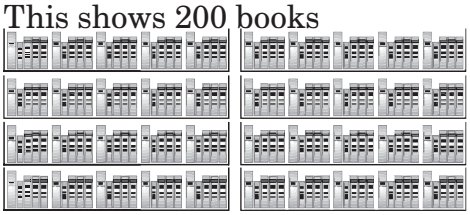
Enough to fill one bookcase (26-100 books) -- ○

This shows 100 books



Enough to fill two bookcases (101-200 books) -- ○

This shows 200 books



Enough to fill three or more bookcases (more than 200) -- ○

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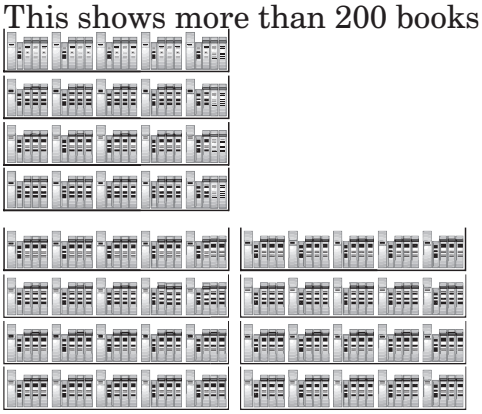

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Do you have any of these things at your home?

*Fill **one** circle for each line.*

	Yes	No
a) Computer (do not include Nintendo®, Gameboy®, or other TV/video game stations)	○	○
b) Study desk/table for your use	○	○
c) Books of your very own (do not count your school books)	○	○
d) Daily newspaper	○	○
e) Your own room	○	○
f) Your own mobile (cell) phone	○	○
g) Video or digital camera (camcorder)	○	○
h) More than one car, truck, or van	○	○
i) More than one bathroom	○	○

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Were you born in the United States ?

*Fill **one** circle only.*

Yes --

No --

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Was your mother born in the United States?

*Fill **one** circle only.*

Yes --

No --

I do not know --

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Was your father born in the United States?

*Fill **one** circle only.*

Yes --

No --

I do not know --

Thank You!

Thank you for filling out the questionnaire!

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