

Grade 11 NECAP Student Questionnaire – October 2009

Writing Questions

- 1. How difficult was the writing test?**
 - A. harder than my regular writing work
 - B. about the same as my regular writing work
 - C. easier than my regular writing work
- 2. How hard did you try on the writing test?**
 - A. I tried harder on this test than I do on my regular work.
 - B. I tried about the same as I do on my regular work.
 - C. I did not try as hard on this test as I do on my regular work.
- 3. Did you have enough time to complete the prompts on the writing test?**
 - A. I had enough time to complete the prompts and check my work.
 - B. I had enough time to complete the prompts, but I did not have time to check my work.
 - C. I felt rushed, but I was able to complete the prompts.
 - D. I did not have enough time to complete the prompts.
- 4. How often are you asked to write at least one paragraph in Science class?**
 - A. more than once a day
 - B. once a day
 - C. a few times a week
 - D. never or almost never
- 5. I choose my own topics for writing**
 - A. almost always.
 - B. more than half the time.
 - C. about half the time.
 - D. less than half the time.
 - E. never or almost never.
- 6. I know how to revise my writing to improve it**
 - A. on my own.
 - B. with my teacher's help.
 - C. with help from my family or friends.
 - D. by using all of the above.
 - E. never or almost never.
- 7. I write more than one draft**
 - A. almost always.
 - B. more than half the time.
 - C. about half the time.
 - D. less than half the time.
 - E. never or almost never.
- 8. I discuss my rough drafts with the teacher**
 - A. almost always.
 - B. more than half the time.
 - C. about half the time.
 - D. less than half the time.
 - E. never or almost never.

9. I discuss my rough drafts with other students

- A. almost always.
- B. more than half the time.
- C. about half the time.
- D. less than half the time.
- E. never or almost never.

10. What kinds of writing do you do most in school?

- A. I mostly write narratives/poems.
- B. I mostly write reports/persuasive pieces.
- C. I mostly write about things I've read.
- D. I do all kinds of writing.

11. How often do you use a computer to complete your writing assignments?

- A. almost always
- B. more than half the time
- C. less than half the time
- D. almost never
- E. I don't have access to a computer.

Reading Questions

12. How difficult was the reading test?

- A. harder than my regular reading work
- B. about the same as my regular reading work
- C. easier than my regular reading work

13. How interesting were the reading passages?

- A. All of the passages were interesting to me.
- B. Most of the passages were interesting to me.
- C. Most of the passages were not interesting to me.
- D. None of the passages was interesting to me.

14. How hard did you try on the reading test?

- A. I tried harder on this test than I do on my regular reading work.
- B. I tried about the same as I do on my regular reading work.
- C. I did not try as hard on this test as I do on my regular reading work.

15. How difficult were the reading passages on the test?

- A. Most of the passages were more difficult than what I normally read for school.
- B. Most of the passages were about the same as what I normally read for school.
- C. Most of the passages were easier than what I normally read for school.

16. Did you have enough time to answer all of the questions on the reading test?

- A. I had enough time to answer all of the questions and check my work.
- B. I had enough time to answer all of the questions, but I did not have time to check my work.
- C. I felt rushed, but I was able to answer all of the questions.
- D. I did not have enough time to answer all of the questions.

17. How often do you have reading homework in English class?

- A. almost every day
- B. a few times a week
- C. a few times a month
- D. I usually don't have reading homework in English class.

18. How often do you have reading homework in other subject areas?

- A. almost every day
- B. a few times a week
- C. a few times a month
- D. I usually don't have reading homework in other subject areas.

19. How do you most often learn new vocabulary words?

- A. I am taught new vocabulary words in most of my courses.
- B. I am taught new vocabulary words mostly in my English class.
- C. I learn new vocabulary words on my own using a dictionary or computer.
- D. I rarely learn new vocabulary words.

20. How often do you choose to read in your free time?

- A. almost every day
- B. a few times a week
- C. a few times a month
- D. I almost never read.

21. How do you most often find information about things that interest you?

- A. I use a computer.
- B. I look in books, magazines, or newspapers.
- C. I ask someone.
- D. I watch TV or videos.

22. How often are you asked to write at least one paragraph in English class?

- A. more than once a day
- B. once a day
- C. a few times a week
- D. less than once a week

23. What grade did you receive in the last English course you completed?

- A. A
- B. B
- C. C
- D. lower than C

Mathematics Questions

24. What best describes your school's math program?

- A. Traditional (Algebra I, Geometry I, Algebra II, etc.)
- B. Integrated (Integrated Mathematics I, Integrated Mathematics II)
- C. I don't know.

25. What best describes the last mathematics course you completed?

- A. General Math or pre-Algebra
- B. Algebra I or Integrated Mathematics I
- C. Geometry or Integrated Mathematics II
- D. Algebra II or Integrated Mathematics III
- E. Pre-Calculus/Advanced Mathematics or higher

26. What best describes the mathematics course you are currently taking or will be taking this year?

- A. General Math or pre-Algebra
- B. Algebra I or Integrated Mathematics I
- C. Geometry or Integrated Mathematics II
- D. Algebra II or Integrated Mathematics III
- E. Pre-Calculus/Advanced Mathematics or higher

- 27. How difficult was the mathematics test compared to your current or most recent mathematics class?**
- A. more difficult
 - B. about the same
 - C. less difficult
- 28. How hard did you try on the mathematics test compared to your current or most recent mathematics class?**
- A. I tried harder on this test.
 - B. I tried about the same.
 - C. I did not try as hard on this test.
- 29. How much did you use a calculator on the test?**
- A. When it was allowed, I used it on most questions.
 - B. When it was allowed, I used it on some questions.
 - C. I had a calculator but didn't use it.
 - D. I didn't have a calculator.
- 30. If you left any questions blank on the mathematics test, which statement best describes the reason?**
- A. I didn't know the mathematics needed to answer the questions.
 - B. I knew the mathematics, but have never been given questions like these before.
 - C. Answering the questions would take too much effort.
 - D. I didn't have enough time to answer the questions.
- 31. How often do you work in groups with other students on problem-solving tasks in mathematics?**
- A. almost every day
 - B. a few times a week
 - C. a few times a month
 - D. never or almost never
- 32. How often do you have mathematics homework assignments?**
- A. almost every day
 - B. a few times a week
 - C. a few times a month
 - D. I usually don't have homework in mathematics.
- 33. How often do you use a calculator in mathematics class?**
- A. almost every day
 - B. a few times a week
 - C. a few times a month
 - D. a few times a year or less
- 34. In mathematics class, how often are you asked to explain out loud how you solved a problem?**
- A. almost every day
 - B. a few times a week
 - C. a few times a month
 - D. never or almost never
- 35. How often are you asked to use writing to explain your mathematical ideas?**
- A. more than once a day
 - B. once a day
 - C. a few times a week
 - D. less than once a week
- 36. What grade did you receive in the last mathematics course you completed?**
- A. A
 - B. B
 - C. C
 - D. lower than C