

Grade 8 NECAP Science Student Questionnaire

1. How difficult was this science test?
 - a. It was harder than my regular science schoolwork.
 - b. It was about the same as my regular science schoolwork.
 - c. It was easier than my regular science schoolwork.
2. How hard did you try on this science test?
 - a. I tried harder on this test than I do on my regular science schoolwork.
 - b. I tried about the same as I do on my regular science schoolwork.
 - c. I did not try as hard on this test as I do on my regular science schoolwork.
3. How well did you understand the directions your teacher gave you when you were taking sessions 1 and 2 of this science test?
 - a. I understood the directions very well.
 - b. I needed some help understanding the directions.
 - c. I needed a lot of help understanding the directions.
4. Did you have enough time to answer the questions on sessions 1 and 2 of this science test?
 - a. I had enough time to answer the questions and check my work.
 - b. I had enough time to answer the questions, but I did not have time to check my work.
 - c. I felt rushed, but I was able to finish answering the questions.
 - d. I did not have enough time to finish answering the questions.
5. How much did you use a calculator on the test?
 - a. I used it on most of the questions.
 - b. I used it on some of the questions.
 - c. I didn't use it on very many questions.
 - d. I didn't use a calculator but wanted to.
 - e. I didn't need a calculator.
6. How often did you use the reference sheet?
 - a. I used it on all of the questions that suggested it and even for some questions that didn't.
 - b. I used it on most of the questions that suggested it.
 - c. I used it on some of the questions that suggested it.
 - d. I didn't use it on very many questions.
7. How well did you understand the directions your teacher gave you when you were taking the inquiry task?
 - a. I understood the directions very well.
 - b. I needed some help understanding the directions.
 - c. I needed a lot of help understanding the directions.
8. Did you have enough time to complete the first part of the inquiry task with your partner(s)?
 - a. I had plenty of time to finish.
 - b. I had just the right amount of time to finish.
 - c. I felt rushed, but I was able to finish.
 - d. I did not have enough time to finish.

9. Did you have enough time to answer the questions that you did on your own in the inquiry task?
- I had plenty of time to finish.
 - I had just the right amount of time to finish.
 - I felt rushed, but I was able to finish.
 - I did not have enough time to finish.
10. How often do you do science experiments or inquiry tasks in your class like the one that you did on this science test?
- a few times a week
 - a few times a month
 - a few times a year
 - never or almost never
11. How often do you work with other students on science experiments or inquiry tasks?
- always
 - sometimes
 - never
 - My teacher usually does the science experiment or inquiry task and we watch.
 - We do not do science experiments or inquiry tasks in my class.
12. What was your science grade on your most recent report card?
- A
 - B
 - C
 - lower than C
13. How often do you have science class this year?
- I have science every day.
 - I have science 3 or 4 days a week.
 - I have science 1 or 2 days a week.
 - I have science some weeks but not others.
 - I don't have science this year.
14. How often do you have science homework?
- every day
 - a few times a week
 - a few times a month
 - I usually don't have homework in science.
15. How would you best describe the content of your science class this year?
- Earth Space Science
 - Life Science
 - Physical Science
 - Environmental Science
 - General or Integrated Science
16. Do you use a science journal or science notebook to write about your thoughts and experiences in science class?
- yes
 - no