What Page Are You On?
Springfield Adult Learning Center's Student & Staff Independent Reading Project

Anonymous Reader Interest Survey

1. In general, how do you feel about reading?

2. In what languages do you or your family read?

3. Do you ever read for pleasure, meaning other than for school assignments or other required reading?
   - Yes
   - No

4. What kinds of things do you read for pleasure? (Identify all that apply.)
   - Newspaper
   - Cookbooks
   - Other: ____________________
   - Novels or stories
   - Website Pages
   - ____________________
   - Letters or Email
   - Song Lyrics
   - _________
   - Magazines

5. What kinds of books do you like to read for pleasure?
   - Science fiction
   - Short stories
   - Adventure/action
   - History
   - Horror
   - Science/nature
   - Mystery
   - Humor
   - How-to-books
   - Picture books
   - Sports
   - Comic books or graphic novels
   - Autobiography or biography
   - Romance
   - Thrillers
   - Fantasy/mythology
   - True-life drama
   - Other: ____________________
   - Poetry

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6. What do you usually do when you read? (Identify all that apply.)

○ I read silently
○ I read aloud to myself but in a quiet voice, almost like a whisper
○ I look over what I’m going to read first to get an idea of what it is about
○ I try to pronounce all the words correctly
○ I get distracted a lot while I’m reading
○ I ask myself questions about what I’m reading
○ I have trouble remembering what I read
○ I try to get the reading over as fast as I can
○ I read a section again if I don’t understand it at first
○ I try to concentrate on the reading
○ I try to figure out the meaning of words I don’t know
○ I look up words I don’t know in the dictionary
○ I try to picture what is happening in the reading
○ I try to read with expression
○ I put what I am reading into my own words
○ I try to understand what I read
○ I try to read smoothly
○ I think about things I know that connect to what I am reading
○ I like to be read to
○ Other: _______________________
                                                      ______________________

7. In your opinion, what does someone have to do to be a good reader? (Identify all that apply.)

○ Read aloud well
○ Understand what they read
○ Read a lot
○ Pronounce all words correctly
○ Know when they are having trouble understanding what they are reading
○ Read different kinds of books
○ Read fast
○ Enjoy reading
○ Read with expression
○ Concentrate on the reading
○ Read hard books
○ Know the meaning of all the words
○ Use strategies to improve their understanding
○ Other: ______________________
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8. What is the best way for you to read when you need to or choose to?

○ Read silently to myself
○ Read aloud by myself or with someone else
○ I listen to someone else read to me (in person or audio book)
9. How often do you read for pleasure, other than for school assignments?
   - Every day
   - Often, but not every day
   - Once in a great while, but not often
   - Never

10. How long do you usually read for pleasure when reading other than for school assignments?
    - 1-10 minutes
    - 11-30 minutes
    - 31-60 minutes
    - Greater than 60 minutes
    - Never

11. How do you choose what you want to read for pleasure?
    - I look at the book cover
    - I ask a teacher or librarian
    - I pick a book that looks easy enough to read
    - I ask a family member, friend, or classmate
    - I look for an interesting title
    - I look for a particular author
    - I pick from a bestseller list
    - I look for books on a particular subject
    - I read the book cover or jacket
    - I see how long the book is
    - I look in a special display at the library or bookstore
    - I look to see if the book has received an award
    - Other: ______________________

12. Do you ever talk with anyone about something you have read?
    - Every time
    - Often, but not every time
    - Once in a great while, but not often
    - Never

13. If you borrow books, where do you get them?
    - Friends
    - Family members
    - Teachers
    - Library
    - Other: ______________________

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