

HOME LANGUAGE SURVEY ENGLISH VERSION

Name of Student: _____
Surname / Last Name First Given Name Second Given Name

School: _____ Age: _____ Grade Level: _____ Teacher Name: _____

Directions to Parents and Guardians:

The California *Education Code* contains legal requirements which direct schools to determine the language(s) spoken in the home of each student. If a language other than English is your child's primary language, your student will be tested for English proficiency and may receive English language development services.

As parents or guardians, your cooperation is requested in complying with this legal requirement. Please respond to each of the four questions listed below as accurately as possible. For each question, write the name(s) of the language(s) that apply in the space provided. Please answer all questions.

1. Which language did your child learn when he/she first began to talk? _____
2. Which language does your child most frequently speak at home? _____
3. Which language do you (the parents or guardians) **most frequently** use when speaking **with your child**? _____
4. Which language is most often spoken by adults in the home? (parents, guardians, grandparents, or any other adults) _____

Please sign and date this form in the spaces provided below, then return this form to your child's teacher. Thank you for your cooperation.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

IF YOUR ANSWER TO QUESTIONS #1, #2 OR #3 IS ANYTHING OTHER THAN "English," PLEASE COMPLETE THE QUESTIONS ON PAGE 2.

INFORMAL PRIMARY LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT

Dear Parent:

When you filled out the Home Language Survey, you indicated that you, your child, or someone in your home spoke a language other than English. We would like to know more about your child's skills in your home language.

Child's name: _____ Home Language: _____

Speaking and Understanding

Is your child able to understand almost everything that is said in his or her home language? ☐ Yes ☐ No

What percentage of time do you speak your home language to your child? ☐ 0% ☐ 25% ☐ 50% ☐ 75% ☐ 100%

What language does your child speak at home? ☐ Home language ☐ English

Reading and Writing

Please check the box that best describes your child's ability to read in the home language.

☐ Does not read it ☐ Reads it a little ☐ Reads it well

Does your child write letters or messages to friends or relatives in the home language? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please check the box that best describes your child's ability to write in the home language.

☐ Does not write in it ☐ Writes in it sometimes ☐ Writes in it well

School Experience

If you came to the United States from another country, did your child attend school in that country? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you answered "Yes" to the question above, how many total years did your child attend school in that country? _____