**Interests and Reading Survey** Name:

**Part 1: Getting to Know Each Other** Period:

1. What is your favorite subject in school?
2. What is your favorite free time activity?

3. What obligations do you have besides school?

Work If so, how many hours per week? Where?

Sports If so, what sports?

Music If so, what?

Family (taking care of siblings, chores, etc.) If so, what?

Community/School Activities If so, please list:

1. What is your favorite movie?
2. What type of music do you like best?
3. Name one of your favorite musicians/musical groups:
4. Do you have a favorite poet? (Circle one) Yes No

If yes, please tell me who:

**Part 2: Getting to Know Reading Preferences**

1. What are some different reasons people read?
2. What does someone have to do to be a good reader? (Circle only the **THREE** most important ones.)
* Read aloud well
* Understand what they read
* Read a lot
* Pronounce all the words correctly
* Know when they are having trouble understanding
* Read different kinds of books
* Read fast
* Enjoy reading
* Read with expression
* Concentrate on the reading
* Read harder books
* Know the meaning of most of the words
* Use strategies to improve their understanding
* Other

10. Do you think you are a good reader? (Circle One) Yes No It depends

Explain why:

11. Do you think reading will be important to your future? (Circle one) Yes No

Explain why:

12. From what you can remember, learning to read was (Circle one):

* very easy for you
* easy for you
* hard for you
* very hard for you

13. During the past 12 months, how many books have you read?

14. In general, how do you feel about reading? Explain.

15. What kinds of books do you like to read? (Circle all the ones you like to read.)

* science fiction
* adventure/action
* horror
* mysteries
* how-to books
* sports
* (auto)biography
* thrillers
* true-life drama
* poetry
* short stories
* history
* science/nature
* humor
* picture books
* comic books
* romance
* fantasy/myth
* information books
* teen problems
* none
* other (describe

16. What do you usually do when you read? (Circle ***all***that describe what you do.)

* I read silently.
* 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 with 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 read aloud to myself in a quiet voice.
* I look up words I don’t know in the dictionary.
* I picture what is happening in the reading.
* I try to read with expression.
* I put what I’m 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 the reading.