

SURVEY QUESTIONS FOR FFL PARENTS
California Library Literacy Services

Learner _____ **Pre Test** ___ **Post Test** ___ **Date** _____

Introduction – to be read to each participant by the interviewer

I would like to ask you a few questions about some of the activities you do with your child. Your answers will help us know how to improve our program. Please speak freely. Your answers will be used to evaluate our program, not to evaluate you. I will write down what you say, but that information is confidential. We are asking other learners the same questions, but no names will be used. Is this OK?

1. Do you read books to your child(ren) or share books with them?

[Mark “Yes” or “No” as the answer to Q#1. If “Yes”, ask Q#1A.]

YES _____ NO _____

Q1A: How often do you read or share books with your child(ren)?

[Record frequency. If necessary, clarify by saying “So you read or share books...” using the frequency you think the person meant.]

DAILY _____ 6x a week _____ 5x _____ 4x _____ 3x _____ 2x _____ 1x _____ LESS THAN 1x A WEEK

2. Do you and your child(ren) play with words? Like making up rhymes, telling stories, or singing songs together? [Mark “Yes” or “No” as the answer to Q#2. If “Yes”, ask Q#2A.]

YES _____ NO _____

Q2A: How often do you and your child(ren) play with words together?

[Record frequency. If necessary, clarify by saying “So you play with words...” using the frequency you think the person meant.]

DAILY _____ 6x a week _____ 5x _____ 4x _____ 3x _____ 2x _____ 1x _____ LESS THAN 1x A WEEK

3. Do you take your child(ren) to the library?

[Mark “Yes” or “No” as the answer to Q#3. If “Yes”, ask Q#3A.]

YES _____ NO _____

Q3A: How often do you take your child(ren) to the library?

[Record frequency. If necessary, clarify by saying “So you go to the library...” using the frequency you think the person meant.]

WEEKLY _____ EVERY 2 or # WEEKS _____ MONTHLY _____ LESS THAN 1x A MONTH

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Instructions for Survey Questions for Adult Learners in Family Literacy

Why Are We Doing This?

This survey helps us determine whether or not our library literacy services are making a difference in people's lives! We are measuring progress in 3 areas:

1. Time parents spend reading to children under 5
2. Time parents spent in word play with their children under 5
3. Family visits to the library

The goal is to aggregate data statewide above the differences that the California Library literacy programs make in people's lives. Being able to talk to a legislator or funder about how much more parents are reading to their pre-school children will add a dimension to our discussion that goes far beyond just reporting how many children and families we serve!

Who Gets Asked These Questions? When? And By Whom?

Each new adult learner who has at least one child 5 years old or younger is asked these questions at "intake."

The learner will be asked the questions again after s/he has met at least one of his/her goals in the family member role. This "Post-Test" can be completed by a tutor or other person assigned to gather this information, either in person or by phone. If s/he has not yet met one of his/her family member, complete this post-test anyway.

If the participant has more than one child, ask the questions about his/her "children" as one. Do not repeat the questions for each child; this survey is about the parent and not the child(ren). Ask the questions no matter what age the child(ren), newborn to age 5.

What Do We Do With the Completed Forms?

Return this sheet with your learner's role/goal survey.