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1. **Age:** 27
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Major:** Classics
4. **Marital Status:** Married
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Sr
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** medium
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.0
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** 1

Y	11.	<b>Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?</b>
N	12.	<b>Do you read comic books regularly?</b>
N	13.	<b>Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?</b>
N	14.	<b>Do you read graphic novels regularly?</b>
N	15.	<b>Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed) regularly?</b>
N	16.	<b>Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?</b>
Y	17.	<b>Do you read blogs?</b>
Y	18.	<b>Do you read online news articles?</b>
N	19.	<b>Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?</b>
N	20.	<b>Do you read the online version of such material?</b>
Y	21.	<b>Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?</b>
N	22.	<b>Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?</b>
Y	23.	<b>Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?</b>
N	24.	<b>Do you ever read self-help material?</b>
Y	25.	<b>Do you habitually do required reading for class?</b>

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	E-mail or RSS feed
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Hyperion by Dan Simmons
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Popular Science
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Fast
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Night
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	Fiction
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	~900
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	75-80%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	~20
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	10

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

I enjoy reading on all subjects. Fictional reading does feel like a release. I often forgo other tasks to spend time reading.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

Reading was very encouraged in my house growing up. We had many series of books: *the Boxcar Children*, *Nancy Drew* and *The Hardy Boys*, Little Golden Books. My mother read out of anthologies to my brother, sister, and I when we were young,

and as we grew older, visits to the library to select books we enjoyed were frequent. *The Hungry Caterpillar* and *Wild Geese Flying* were books that I remember enjoying as a family.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My mother is nearly always reading something for enjoyment. My sister enjoys reading, but my brother tends to read comics or graphic novels more than other types of materials. My step-father reads the paper regularly, but does not always read novels or other books in his free time.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I usually gravitate toward hard-cover novels. I like the speculative fiction genre, and I tend to exhaust an author's body of work before reaching out to try anyone new. The books I read range from near 1000 pages to more modest <500 page works.

**40. Describe your worst reading experience.**

I can't recall anything that I've read that I disliked. There have been textbooks which I have considered relatively dry, but in general, bad reading experiences are not memorable.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

I recently read the novel *Hyperion* by Dan Simmons. This book is the type that simultaneously inspires you to want to become a writer to create such great prose, while making you positive that you could never approach that level of artistry. He combines a connection with other great literature with original storytelling. It is an excellent read.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather view photographs. I think in such an emotionally difficult situation, visibly experiencing the event is more cathartic.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

I am pretty open-minded about the content of the reading I do.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

I recently read a paperback book with less than .5 inch margins and ~10 pt font. This was very intimidating. I prefer to read books with comfortable margins that are trade-paperback- or hardcover-sized.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

I traditionally read too quickly, and can skim without realizing, especially in academic writing. I would probably not take a reading-techniques class unless it focused on reading speed.

1. Age: 20
2. Gender: Male
3. Major: Sports Administration
4. Marital Status: Single
5. Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0): 3
6. Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr): Soph
7. Time zone college is located in: Eastern
8. Size of college (small, medium, large): Medium
9. Estimate of your overall GPA: 2.5
10. Languages you are fluent in: 1

Y	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
Y	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
Y	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
N	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed) regularly?
N	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
N	17.	Do you read blogs?
Y	18.	Do you read online news articles?
N	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
Y	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
Y	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
Y	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
N	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Internet
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Anything James Patterson
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	ESPN
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Slow
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Night
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	Romantic
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	Around 10
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	About half
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	None
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	7

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

Reading only seems like a chore when it is assigned and not on a subject that interests me. I love to read books that I choose to read for leisure. When it's a book of my choice I can wrapped up into the book and always have trouble putting it down. When it is a book that I have to read for a class or a subject that does not interest me I have trouble following the text and a even bigger problem not being able to focus.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember**

**having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

When I was young I read probably the same books that most kids read at the same age. I don't remember the names but I remember they were mainly fantasy books. As I grew older into a teenager I didn't read unless I had to because it wasn't "cool". Finally in high school and now in college I read more than ever but mainly for school. When summer comes around I try to read as many books as I can for leisure because it is hard to do so during the school year. I remember I have had the Harry Potter series around the house since it came out. And when I was younger I had books series such as the Boxcar Children and a variety of others. I don't remember ever having picture books besides when I was a baby.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My family was never huge on reading. My parents read the usual magazines and what not but not really books for leisure. This changed recently when I went off to college, my mom started to read a lot more since I wasn't around to keep her company while my dad is at work. My brother has a lot of mental problems so my parents would always read up on books to find ways to help. That is really in neither category of leisure or work. My brother never really read. We always joke that he just waits for it to come out on DVD.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I love reading murder mysteries. My favorite is the Alex Cross series by James Patterson. Although I haven't gotten into Stephen King yet I have heard he is a great writer and I am hoping to read some of his books sometime too. If it is a book I am enjoying or think I will enjoy then the page numbers don't matter to me. I enjoy reading the Harry Potter series and those books are extremely long but oddly enough when it comes to a book like that I am glad it is long.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

My worse reading experience is every time I have to read a book for school that has no interest to me. It usually happened in high school where I was assigned a book to read and write a report on and I didn't have a choice on what the book was I was stuck with what was assigned.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

My best reading experience was when I read my first James Patterson book. Even though I had read a couple of Harry Potter books by that time I never knew how much I enjoyed reading until I read that first James Patterson book. That opened up a new world to me and told me something I never knew about myself: that I enjoy reading.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather see pictures. I already know a good amount of what happened that sad day. As the age old saying goes pictures have a 1000 words. By looking at the pictures over reading I can come up with pretty much my own story and ideas that go along with what happened.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Philosophical reading intimidates me the most. I like to read without having to read too much into something and having to think in depth about what I am reading while I am reading it just to try to understand it. I also dislike romantic novels. I tried to read one because it got great reviews and I just never got into it.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

Intimidating text to me is very small text that covers the whole page. Reading text like that gives me a headache and bunches words together. Size of books and paper doesn't matter to me it's when the text is all jumbled on the paper and looks like a big blob of words.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can**

**become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

My main two weaknesses in reading is that I am a slow reader and I sometimes tend to start day dreaming. I sometimes have to reread words, sentences, and even paragraphs because I couldn't understand what was being say because. I also sometimes will read something and relate it to something in my life and start day dreaming about that situation. That will make me have to go back and reread as well.



1. **Age:** 19
2. **Gender:** female
3. **Major:** Zoology
4. **Marital Status:** none
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Soph.
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.8
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

N	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
N	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
N	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
N	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
N	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
N	17.	Do you read blogs?
Y	18.	Do you read online news articles?
Y	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
N	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
Y	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
Y	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
N	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
N	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Books and internet.
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Do not have one.
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	World
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	slow
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	at night
31.	<b>What type intimidates you the least?</b>	Big bold print.
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	About 30
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	Stories and information about animals and ghosts.
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	2
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	4

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

My attitudes toward reading varies. I like reading about things that I am interested in but when it is something that is required by any of my classes, I hate it. Reading for school is very boring and is more so like a chore than any of the chores I have to do. I think what ruined reading for me is the Sustained Silent Reading that was required for my elementary school where I had to read a certain number of books and take a test on it.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

I read a lot when I was young but when I got older I do not read as much. I remember all my I Spy books and reading the Bible at home. I remember reading *The Caterpillar who Ate Everything* when I was young and *The Call of the Wild* when I was a teen.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My mom reads a lot and the rest of my family does not. My family only reads when it is required. My one cousin likes to read magazines.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I prefer reading books with pictures on the covers and pages. Books that are more interesting with more descriptive visual words so that I could easily follow along. The text in the book must not be too small either.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

When I was in middle school they made me read about subjects I did not believe in. I did not have a say in my own opinions I had to follow in what the story believed in. Most of the books dealing with murders, cheating, and horrifying events.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

I enjoy reading at home. I could read whatever I want to read and what I believe in. I can be myself.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would like to do both because it is an interesting topic to me. Seeing the pictures will help me remember what happened that day. Reading about 9/11 will help me understand better about what happened, and will also help give a better description of what was going on at the time.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Subjects that go against my beliefs and what I feel are right.

Topics that go against my own morals tend to be suppressing others feelings and do not seem sympathetic. These stories should not be forced upon the students by the teachers.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

History books are intimidating. They are long and too hard to follow along. They are boring and do not use vivid language to make history fun. History books are huge compared to other text books.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

I do not ask questions about what is going on. I do not try to figure out the vocabulary that I do not understand. I read slow. Yes I would like to take a reading techniques class if it was provided.

1. **Age:** 20
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Major:** Physical Education
4. **Marital Status:** Single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Soph
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** Large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 2.9
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

Y	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
N	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
N	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
N	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
N	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
Y	17.	Do you read blogs?
Y	18.	Do you read online news articles?
N	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
Y	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
N	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
N	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
N	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Visually
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Call Of The Wild/ London
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Sports Illustrated
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Slow
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Day
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	Learning Material
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	30
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	70%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	2
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	5

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

I like Reading when it is online or voluntary. It feels more like a chore than a release to me. I think this way because I never was into reading when I was little.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

I didn't have any reading habits. When I was really little I liked bedtime stories read to me. I don't remember a favorite book.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My mom reads a lot of mystery stories. My brother likes to read Manga books about cartoons and stuff. My dad doesn't read much, occasionally a fishing magazine.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I mostly read the headlines from NFL.com and MSN.com to catch up on current events.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

Reading the Namesake as a freshman requirement for entering Kent State.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

Reading Call of the Wild or reading about Mythology in my 6<sup>th</sup> grade English class.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather read about it to find out what happened. The pictures alone could not tell you what was going on.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Poetry intimidates me the most. I just don't understand why people make such a big deal about requiring children to know some form of Shakespeare poetry before graduating High School.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

Historic Documents are extremely intimidating because of language barriers between times and also they are all handwritten.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading**

**technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

I would say that my reading weaknesses are not properly looking at sources documented by others works to see if they are credible.

1. Age: 23
2. Gender: M
3. Major: Zoology
4. Marital Status: S
5. Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0): 2
6. Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr): Sophomore
7. Time zone college is located in: Eastern
8. Size of college (small, medium, large): Large
9. Estimate of your overall GPA: 3.0
10. Languages you are fluent in: English

N	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
Y	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
N	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
Y	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
Y	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
N	17.	Do you read blogs?
Y	18.	Do you read online news articles?
N	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
N	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
Y	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
N	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
Y	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Email
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Heavier Than Heaven
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Scientific America
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Medium/Fast
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Day
31.	<b>What type intimidates you the least?</b>	Magazine
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	30
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	70-80
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	20-30
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	8

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

I like to read things that pertain to my interests. It feels like a release because I can drift into the details of the book and become absorbed with whatever I am reading.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

We had Huckleberry Fin, Tom Sawyer, and many picture books such as Winnie The Pooh. I never began reading regularly or purchasing books of my own until I was around 16 years in age.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My family regularly reads magazines and parents sometimes read novels. My siblings never read very much. Some of my cousins read fiction novels with fantasy themes.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I am more likely to read non-fiction informational material because I like there to be a purpose behind what I am reading. The cover should have some type of headline that will draw my interests and should be relatively short if time is short.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

I don't like to read Shakespeare because it seems almost impossible to get the true meaning out of the confusing word structure.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

My best reading experience is reading short articles that have the basic information about the described facts. They are easy reads that can portray good information relatively fast.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather read about it because I can create my own pictures in my head. I would want to read because I can get an idea of exactly what happened, who was involved, and why. If you were just looking at the pictures then you can only make up your own story that may not be the true.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

The type that intimidates me the most is when it is written in old style language such as Shakespeare. It is hard to understand and get the meaning out of it because it is not traditional to what we learn today.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

Small print in a book with a lot of pages is intimidating because its a lot to read and there are a lot of words on one page making it hard to read, straining to the eyes, and sometimes hard to follow.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

I tend to read too fast and then start to think, What did I read? Sometimes I read the words and then realize I have no idea what I just read, which makes me have to read it again. I could be a better reader if I just slow down, take more notes, and reminisce on what I read. I would think about taking a reading class if I could fit it into my schedule.

1. **Age:** 19
2. **Gender:** Female
3. **Major:** Psychology
4. **Marital Status:** Single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 12
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Soph.
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** medium
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.6
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

Y	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
N	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
Y	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
N	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
N	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
N	17.	Do you read blogs?
N	18.	Do you read online news articles?
Y	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
N	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
Y	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
N	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
N	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	What is your best way to receive information?	email
27.	What is your favorite book?	twilight
28.	What is your favorite magazine?	cosmopolitan
29.	Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?	slow
30.	Would you rather read during the day or night?	night
31.	What type intimidates you the least?	Short novels
32.	Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?	10
33.	What percent of what you read do you recall?	70%
34.	How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?	5
35.	From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)	4

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

It depends on the reading. When I have to read for a class then it is a chore but reading is usually the first homework I do because it is easier and more fun than other homework and studying. If it is a good book then reading is a stress release for me.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

I never used to enjoy reading as a child. Up until the last few years I had never read a book for fun but now I enjoy reading. I remember picture books as a child but reading was never a big

part of my childhood. However, I did always read the books mandatory for school even though most children didn't.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My mom enjoys reading and reads many books a year and is part of a book club. My dad does not read unless for work. I do not remember my parents reading to me and my brothers much as children but I think they did when we were infants.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I am most likely to read academic journals because as a student it is necessary for research. For fun I am most likely to read books I have heard about or are popular. I also am more likely to read novels that are also movies. I recently read a book so I had read the book before I saw the movie. I'm also more likely to choose to read a book if the cover is appealing.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

My worst reading experience was probably some of the boring novels I had to read in high school. Also having to read academic journals for research papers in college. When I have 10 articles that are all 6-15 pages in length and all very boring and repetitive it is a hard reading experience.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

The twilight saga. I am a very slow reader and these books are very long which would usually put me off but I really got into them and could not stop reading. This is the first book I've ever read that I had to go get the next one and I just couldn't put them down.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would like both together I think the pictures add reality and emotion to it. But, without the text there is not a complete understand of what the picture is and it can add more to the whole story.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Long scholarly articles intimidate me the most, especially when they have big sophisticated words. Sometimes if I do not understand the language in an article or book whether it be from the sophisticated words or from old language, it is hard to understand the underlying.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

When the text is very small that defiantly puts me off. Boring traditional text doesn't exactly put me off but different exciting text is more likely to draw my attention so I read it.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

My weakness in reading is that I find it hard to concentrate. When I read something sometimes I may read it but not actually take it in and understand or comprehend what I'm reading. Sometimes when this happens I have to completely re read the whole paragraph.

1. **Age:** 20
2. **Gender:** male
3. **Major:** Interpersonal Communication
4. **Marital Status:** Single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Soph
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** Large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.0
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

Y	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
N	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
N	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
Y	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
Y	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
N	17.	Do you read blogs?
Y	18.	Do you read online news articles?
N	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
N	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
Y	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
N	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
Y	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Internet, Newspaper
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Mother Night
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Muscle and Fitness
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Medium
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Day
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	Satire
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	25
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	60%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	3
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	7

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

No. I enjoy Reading. It lets me relax and enjoy the story. Yes, my attitude changes per reading.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

I never read a lot as a child. My sister read Aesop's Fables to

me, but I never started reading for pleasure until after high school.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

Out of my family, my eldest brother read many books for pleasure. My brother read all of Clive Barker's work.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I read the cover, inside flap.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

I attempted to read rainbow six when I was ten. I was so lost in words I just gave up.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

I Read Armageddon In Retrospect in about two days. Fabulous book!

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather read because you can get more from words that pictures couldn't describe. Pictures are just one view, where words can paint a mental picture of the whole day.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Academic journals.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

8pt font, single space, over five hundred pages back to back. Normal eight by eleven sheet. It would be an academic journal about some vary obscure topic that is very dry.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can**

**become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

I fall asleep very easily, so if I am not interested in what im reading, ill doze off. I also try to read fast but do not remember the content. If they were a course that was free, I wouldn't mind taking it. But if would have to fit my schedule.

1. **Age:** 19
2. **Gender:** female
3. **Major:** fashion design
4. **Marital Status:** single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** sophomore
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** don't know
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

N	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
Y	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
N	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
N	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
N	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
N	17.	Do you read blogs?
Y	18.	Do you read online news articles?
Y	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
Y	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
Y	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
N	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
N	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Internet or email
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Harry Potter (all)
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	vogue
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	medium
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Doesn't matter
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	Magazine reading
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	40
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	80%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	8
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	7

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

I like to read if it is something I pick out; when it is something I have to read it feels like a chore. I think reading is an escape from the real world but reading for class is just stressful and often boring.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

I read a lot as a child and all through high school. Books I remember having around Harry Potter my parents loved Dean

Koontz so every one of his books and anything I brought home from the library.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My parents always read every night. My younger sibling reads a lot my twin does not. My cousin reads every day most of my family reads often.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

Fantasy anything that is an escape from the real world I don't want to have to think a lot when I'm reading otherwise it is not a relaxing or fun experience.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.** The book called *The Things We Carried*. It was so confusing it was impossible to follow. I hated this book!

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

I enjoyed reading Edgar Allen Poe in middle school it was a new type of reading and I enjoyed the twisted aspect of it.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather read depending on the reading if it was witness accounts or family comments I would be interested in reading that.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Scientific or business reading it's confusing and easily loses my interest.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

I'm not sure there is one I will always try something once.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

I think I read too slow sometimes I will read something over and over and not even remember what I read. I think by reading more often I can improve my speed and by learning how to focus my concentration I can learn to absorb more of what I read. If the class were free I probably wouldn't take it simply because I don't have the time. If it were required I wouldn't mind because I think it would be a useful class.

1. **Age:** 24
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Major:** Secondary Education
4. **Marital Status:** Single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 1
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Sophomore
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** Large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.0
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

N	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
N	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
N	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
Y	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
N	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
N	17.	Do you read blogs?
N	18.	Do you read online news articles?
N	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand materials)?
N	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
Y	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
N	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
N	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Other people tell me.
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Cather in the Rye
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Sports Illustrated
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Slow
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Day
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	Newspaper
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	2
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	10%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	1
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	1

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

Reading to me feels like a chore. I would rather have someone show me or tell me how to do something. I was never excited about reading growing up. In school no one took there time to help me with my reading habits.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

Growing up books there were a lot of books in my house. I would glance through the books from time to time. We had the "Boxcar Kids" series in my house. My older brother would read those books.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

Some of my brothers and sisters read. They enjoy reading John Krishman books. My mom doesn't like to read and I don't know if I the reason I don't like to read is because of her.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I read newspapers and magazines. I don't read the entire magazine just one or two articles. In the newspaper I usually only read the sports section and the main section. Everything else really doesn't matter to me.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

I got really sick from reading inside of my parent's car. I don't like to read in any moving car because of that experience. When I do read in a car I have to have a window down.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

The best experience I have had is the first time I finished a book that was more than 100 pages. I was 10 years old. I felt like that was such a big accomplishment for me.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather see pictures because I can understand what happened better. Instead of reading the same paragraph 2 or 3 times just so I can understand what I am reading. Pictures are worth 1000 words.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Text books scare me the most. They have a lot of information in the books. I tend to always get sleepy from reading text books.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

A same book with no pictures inside or on the cover and the book is at least 500 words. The text is too small and the book loses all of its appeal to me. I will never read a book like that.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

I have to have something on in the background. Whether it is a TV or a radio. I need to focus in more when I am reading and even reward myself for reading a certain amount of the book or chapter.

1. **Age:** 21
2. **Gender:** male
3. **Major:** communication
4. **Marital Status:** none
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** soph
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:**2.5
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

Y	11.	<b>Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?</b>
N	12.	<b>Do you read comic books regularly?</b>
Y	13.	<b>Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?</b>
N	14.	<b>Do you read graphic novels regularly?</b>
N	15.	<b>Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?</b>
Y	16.	<b>Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?</b>
N	17.	<b>Do you read blogs?</b>
Y	18.	<b>Do you read online news articles?</b>
N	19.	<b>Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?</b>
N	20.	<b>Do you read the online version of such material?</b>
N	21.	<b>Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?</b>
N	22.	<b>Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?</b>
N	23.	<b>Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?</b>
N	24.	<b>Do you ever read self-help material?</b>
Y	25.	<b>Do you habitually do required reading for class?</b>

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Email, television
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	The outsiders
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	maxim
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	medium
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	day
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	entertainment
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	10
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	50
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	8
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	6

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

I feel that some reading is a chore. If it is not my choice of book or reading material I feel like it is a chore. My outlook on reading changes with my mood, sometimes I enjoy it, sometimes I would rather do something else.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

I don't remember how much I read as a child. I do recall reading *superfudge* by Judy Blume. I also remember having the

goosebumps books around my house.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My family does read a lot. My mother and older brother are big into fiction stories while my father is more of a non-fiction reader. I am probably the one who reads the least in my intermediate family.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I am most likely to read non-fiction information books. It may be something I am interested in, maybe a book on animals or geography.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

My worst reading experience would be freshman year in college. I was not very equipped to read text books and had a hard time getting situated with these books.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

My best reading experience has been that of lately. I am reading very commonly now and I think it is becoming more of a leisure activity for me than a chore.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather see pictures. I think a picture says a thousand words and describes what words cannot.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Academic reading is the most difficult for me. It has the most thought in it and takes the most time.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

A intimidating text book is a large, hard covered book with little tiny words and a lot of footnotes and citations.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

My weakness is remembering what I have just read. I probably would not take a class if it was not required.

1. **Age:** 20
2. **Gender:** M
3. **Major:** Major: operations management
4. **Marital Status:** no
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Soph
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 2.8
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

N	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
Y	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
N	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
Y	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
N	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
N	17.	Do you read blogs?
Y	18.	Do you read online news articles?
N	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
N	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
Y	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
N	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
N	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	internet
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Michael Moore books
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Popular science/ mechanics
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Medium/fast
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Doesn't matter
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	magazines
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	0
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	80%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	None until the 8 this semester
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	5

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

It feels good when it is by my choosing. When I have to read something for class that has nothing to do with my major and is not at all useful, it angers me a bit. I furiously hate reading novels.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

I read wishbone books if I had to write a book report. I read captain underpants for earlier ones. My favorite picture book was The Hallo-Wiener

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

Parents don't read, nor did they graduate high-school. Don't have siblings, don't know cousins very well. One of my uncles reads, but that's about it.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I enjoy magazines with information about new technology and sometimes shiny pictures to help describe. I also enjoy the Wall Street Journal and some online articles.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

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**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

Every popular mechanics/science I've read

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

It would depend on the information content. If the reading was just about how horrible and tragic everything was and describing how it looked, I'd rather just see a picture. If the reading is something like possibly a theory of what actually happened 9/11 (different theories) or about what the president did and didn't do, then I'd rather read.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Reading that I have to do for a report that I didn't get to completely choose the subject. This kind of reading is very hard for me to get into. If I pick a topic, then I'll be interested.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font,**

**etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

Nothing on the cover, smelling old, big words in old English.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

I would under no circumstances take a reading class unless absolutely required. Reading can be an acquired skill, but is learned on your own if you're interested. If you're interested, you'll figure it out and don't need a class (beyond learning how to read in elementary school).

1. **Age:** 20
2. **Gender:** F
3. **Major:** Chemistry/ life sciences education
4. **Marital Status:** Single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0.5
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Jr
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large and small
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.0
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

Y	11.	<b>Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?</b>
N	12.	<b>Do you read comic books regularly?</b>
Y	13.	<b>Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?</b>
Y	14.	<b>Do you read graphic novels regularly?</b>
Y	15.	<b>Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?</b>
N	16.	<b>Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?</b>
N	17.	<b>Do you read blogs?</b>
N	18.	<b>Do you read online news articles?</b>
N	19.	<b>Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?</b>
N	20.	<b>Do you read the online version of such material?</b>
Y	21.	<b>Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?</b>
N	22.	<b>Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?</b>
N	23.	<b>Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?</b>
Y	24.	<b>Do you ever read self-help material?</b>
Y	25.	<b>Do you habitually do required reading for class?</b>

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Books
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Books by Feist or Lackey
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Readers digest
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Fast
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Depends on my mood
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	Required readings
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	400-500
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	30%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	30
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	9

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

Reading is like an escape for me. It makes me completely forget everything that is going on in the real world and lose myself in the book. However, required reading feels like a chore because I know there is a purpose behind it besides fun and I am constantly trying to figure out what material I will be required to know for the test/ paper.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

I have always been a reader for as long as I could remember. I read books like the *Odyssey* and *Lord of the Rings* when I was 10.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My father and my sister both read a lot but my brother almost never reads unless he is forced to. My sister reads mostly novels where as my dad reads both novels and non-fiction books.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I am most likely to read longer science fiction novels that take place on a world that doesn't have very advanced technology or those that are set in the past.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

I loved the *Odyssey* when I read it on my own in 5<sup>th</sup> grade but when I was told to read it for class in high school the teacher ruined the book for me.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

Any experience where I get to read for fun is one of my best.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

Pictures because it is something real- not something in someone's mind that the actual photo is worth a thousand words. However I would rather read than see drawings because it is impossible to capture the imagination in a drawing.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Required reading intimidates me because I don't enjoy it and know it will be hard to get myself to finish it.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

No book will get a negative response on sight from me.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

My weakness is that I forget the plot lines because I often read so many books that within a month or two I have forgot the basic plot. However I don't want to correct this because it allows me to reread my favorite books without becoming bored.

1. **Age:** 19
2. **Gender:** female
3. **Major:** early childhood education
4. **Marital Status:** single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0) :** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Sophomore
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 2.7
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

Y	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
Y	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
N	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
Y	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
Y	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
Y	17.	Do you read blogs?
N	18.	Do you read online news articles?
N	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
Y	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
Y	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
Y	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Reading.
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	A tree grows in Brooklyn
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Seventeen
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Medium
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Whenever I have free time
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	Magazines
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	I would say around 60
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	60
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	4 – 9
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	It depends on the material.

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

My attitude towards reading does vary. I think it depends on the material I am reading and if I feel passionate about it as well. Reading is not a chore, but it is also not my favorite thing to do. I would participate in other activities for fun besides reading, but I do enjoy a good book from time to time. I am just rather apathetic towards reading because of the time it takes and am also impatient when it comes to finding out endings and would just rather know right away.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember**

**having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

Around my house there were many large picture books and I enjoyed being read to very much as a child. I have two sisters and I would always ask them to read to me and eventually would read those books myself. I would like to play 'teacher' and hold the book in front of me and slowly flip through the pages so that my 'audience' could clearly see the photos. I remember having Dr. Seuss books around the house as well as the 'Babysitter's Club' books.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My family has a variety of reading habits. My dad absolutely loves reading and owns many books. The books he likes to read are anything to do with history or political aspects. My mom enjoys reading magazines and a few novels here and there. My sister is obsessed with the 'Twilight' series right now and always has one of those books in her hands.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I enjoy books with light content that have lessons underlying the text. I also like flipping through magazines or blogs online because I think it is interesting to see what other people have to say coming from their own personal mind.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

I don't exactly have a bad reading experience so I can not answer that.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

I would say anything as a child. The excitement that comes from learning to read or being read to was amazing and will always be fond childhood memories.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would look at photos because they tell a lot more and you can

get a feel for that the words are trying to say rather than reading the words you can view it first hand.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Large textbooks with small text and confusing wording.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

See above answer.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

My weakness would be following through and reading all the way and becoming passionate about what I am reading rather than judging and not giving the book a chance.

1. **Age:** 20
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Major:** Accounting
4. **Marital Status:** Single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Sophomore
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** Medium
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.0
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

Y	11.	<b>Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?</b>
N	12.	<b>Do you read comic books regularly?</b>
N	13.	<b>Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?</b>
N	14.	<b>Do you read graphic novels regularly?</b>
N	15.	<b>Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?</b>
Y	16.	<b>Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?</b>
Y	17.	<b>Do you read blogs?</b>
Y	18.	<b>Do you read online news articles?</b>
N	19.	<b>Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand material)?</b>
N	20.	<b>Do you read the online version of such material?</b>
Y	21.	<b>Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?</b>
N	22.	<b>Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?</b>
N	23.	<b>Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?</b>
Y	24.	<b>Do you ever read self-help material?</b>
N	25.	<b>Do you habitually do required reading for class?</b>

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Read it myself
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	A Million Little Pieces
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Game Informer
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Fast
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Day
31.	<b>What type intimidates you the least?</b>	Books
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	20
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	70%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	10
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	6

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

Reading does not always feel like a chore even if it is required for class if it is not too difficult to grasp. If it is repetitive or written in a way that seems overcomplicated it is a chore. I do feel like it is a release when I am leisure reading, but my attitude definitely varies depending on the situation

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

When I was younger I would read a lot. I had to read books of my own choice for certain amounts of time a week and I enjoyed

that. My favorite books were always the Harry Potter series. I read other teen novels which I can't remember, and other series such as Animorphs.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My mother and sister read frequently. I am not sure about my cousins. My mom reads a lot of Stephen King and other similar novels. My sister reads typical teenage girl novels.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I'm most likely to read adventure novels or autobiographical books. The cover does not bother me too much, and I don't look for a particular thing.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

The Odyssey. It sucked.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

A Million Little Pieces by James Frey. I could not put the book down.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather see pictures because it allows me to interpret the events myself and not read biased text.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Scholarly books. Sometimes They are really hard to follow and grasp all the material but at the same time I know I want to know those things.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

Large, thick book. Small font. Definitely negative

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

I sometimes read too fast and stop paying attention to the words my eyes are running over. I don't think I need a class though, I never really had a problem with reading other than making myself do required things that don't interest me.

1. **Age:** 19 yrs
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Major:** Nursing
4. **Marital Status:** Not married
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Fresh.
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** Large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.6-3.75
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

Y	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
Y	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
N	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
Y	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
Y	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
N	17.	Do you read blogs?
Y	18.	Do you read online news articles?
Y	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
N	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
Y	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
Y	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
N	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Via email or phone
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Number the Stars
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Elle
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Fast
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	At night
31.	<b>What type intimidates you the least?</b>	Short Stories and articles
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	A lot (60+)
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	The longer the book, the less I feel that I retain
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	More than 20
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	6

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

Reading is a chore when it's a subject that is of no interest to me, or pertaining to a topic I know nothing about. Otherwise, I enjoy reading a lot and I feel like it is a release because I like putting myself in the story.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books?**

Any teen novels or adventure series? As a child I remember a few picture books that I still enjoy looking back on. As a teenager I read a lot of drama novels and crime stories, and as a young

adult I like to read a lot about history, and the past.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My mother and my father both read a great deal, but about different subjects. My dad reads a lot about sports, and crime and my mother reads about history and culture. My sister only reads what she has to read usually.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I like to read about World War II and the civil war a lot. Struggle and passion interest me in these stories. I also love to read old love stories and books set in the far past.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

In high school we had to read a book about a tribe of Indians, and their way of life. I don't remember the title, but I was disturbed by the material, and didn't enjoy the book.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

In ninth grade we read a satire called *Animal Farm*, which personified the animals as figures of communism. I enjoyed the book a lot, and gained historical knowledge from the story.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather see pictures, because images often have a more dramatic effect on the public than just readings. Ideally, I would like to see both.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Articles written about psychology and the mind. They are always extremely complicated, and hard to follow for me.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

Physically, it is written in old English, or difficult language. The cover is usually plain.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

Sometimes I read very fast, and start to skim past the parts I should be reading. I just need to slow down sometimes and focus on gaining the understanding.

1. **Age:** 20
2. **Gender:** Female
3. **Major:** Journalism and Mass Communications
4. **Marital Status:** Single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Soph.
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** Large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 2.75
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English, French

Y	11.	<b>Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?</b>
N	12.	<b>Do you read comic books regularly?</b>
Y	13.	<b>Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?</b>
N	14.	<b>Do you read graphic novels regularly?</b>
Y	15.	<b>Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?</b>
Y	16.	<b>Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?</b>
Y	17.	<b>Do you read blogs?</b>
Y	18.	<b>Do you read online news articles?</b>
Y	19.	<b>Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?</b>
Y	20.	<b>Do you read the online version of such material?</b>
N	21.	<b>Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?</b>
N	22.	<b>Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?</b>
Y	23.	<b>Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?</b>
N	24.	<b>Do you ever read self-help material?</b>
Y	25.	<b>Do you habitually do required reading for class?</b>

26.	What is your best way to receive information?	E-mail
27.	What is your favorite book?	Catcher in the Rye
28.	What is your favorite magazine?	People
29.	Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?	Medium
30.	Would you rather read during the day or night?	Night
31.	What type intimidates you the least?	Leisure reading
32.	Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?	15
33.	What percent of what you read do you recall?	70%
34.	How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?	5
35.	From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)	8

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

Reading feels like a chore when I am doing academic reading. On the other hand, leisure reading where I am picking the material and doing it on my own time feels like a release. Therefore my attitude changes toward reading.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books?**

Any teen novels or adventure series? I remember reading numerous picture books and nursery rhyme books as a child. During my high school years I thoroughly enjoyed reading

Catcher in the Rye, which continues to be my favorite book. Also, as a young adult, books I have read on my own include Into the Wild and the Twilight series, all of which I loved.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My mom is a huge reader when it comes to history and wars. This however was not passed down! My siblings do not read much if it's not required. I occasionally read leisurely when I have time.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I have a wide range of leisure material I read. As I said earlier Catcher in the Rye, Into the Wild, and Twilight are some of my favorite books, but they definitely do not all fit into the same category. My taste ranges and whatever I am in the mood for I will read.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

My worst experience was a book I read in high school called a Brave New World. It was about altering children through Petri dishes and cloning. Nothing about the book got me attached or connected in any way.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

Twilight was probably my best experience. The author had a way of sucking me into her story and made me constantly wanting more. When I wasn't reading the book, I was thinking about it. It definitely had me hooked.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

A few years ago I would have said pictures. But as I am getting older, I am became a bigger reader. So I probably would want to read about it to get the details. Although, I definitely would be missing out without the pictures.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you**

**the most? Why?**

Academic material scares me. If I am leisure reading and I don't understand the topic, then I simply close the book and I don't have to worry about it. However, if I am reading academic material that I will be tested on or that is required and I don't understand it then I am screwed. That greatly intimidates me.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

An intimidating textbooks is thick and small font. Showing that there is a lot of intense reading and details.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

I would consider the class. Like I said before I am becoming a bigger reader now that I am getting older, but until now I was a pretty slow reader who would only read if required. Doing the least amount of reading possible for a class is my weakness. If I learn to read better and enjoy it, that weakness would change.

1. **Age:** 24
2. **Gender:** male
3. **Major:** Computer Information Systems
4. **Marital Status:** single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 3
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Jr
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** Large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.2
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** 2

Y	11.	Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?
N	12.	Do you read comic books regularly?
Y	13.	Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?
N	14.	Do you read graphic novels regularly?
Y	15.	Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?
N	16.	Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?
N	17.	Do you read blogs?
Y	18.	Do you read online news articles?
N	19.	Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?
N	20.	Do you read the online version of such material?
N	21.	Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?
N	22.	Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?
N	23.	Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?
N	24.	Do you ever read self-help material?
Y	25.	Do you habitually do required reading for class?

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	email
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Dangerous Minds
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	ESPN
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Medium
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Night
31.	<b>What type intimidates you the least?</b>	Magazines
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	A lot
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	60-70
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	3
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	5

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

My attitude towards reading depends on what I'm reading. If I have a book that interests me and I can actually retain the knowledge for later use then I love reading it. When I have to read something for class or homework and I don't like it then it becomes boring and uninterested. I'm just not a big fan if it doesn't pertain to me.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

To the extent of my knowledge I can remember having Dr. Seuss

in the house, Nancy Drew, R. L. Stine and The Hardy Boys. That's about all I remember from the top of my head.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My father reads the newspaper and news articles online everyday. My mother reads the Bible. My little sister is into the Twilight books.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I like to read History, Firearms, Military, and Sports Knowledge. All of these things interest me and I enjoy learning about. I can relate to most of the information and it makes it a lot easier for me to read and understand.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

College Writing I would have to be my worst experience. We had multiple book we had to read for class. None of which I enjoyed reading and we had to answer questions and such that pertained to the stories. I never did very well and I hated the entire experience.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

Anything related to the Marine Corps or Military itself. I can understand and instruct anything about that subject because for the past 6 years of my life I've done nothing but that. It wasn't a chore for me it was a way of life.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather read about the history and facts of 9/11. It's interesting to hear the opinions of authors and what they have to say about what lead up to those events. Seeing pictures from that day doesn't really explain the whole picture.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

I guess you could say very educational and proper books scare me in a sense to not read them. One I don't think I would understand anything in the books. Two it's not interesting to me at all. It's not that I don't think I'm incapable of reading them but just that I really don't want to.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

An intimidating book looks thick and old, small complicated words. The title would be something of no interest and I probably would understand what the book would even be about.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

Some of my weakness in reading techniques are I skim, which makes me skip some important parts of a book. I rush myself and forget sometimes what I'm reading about. I could slow down and allow myself more time to read what I have to read. No I wouldn't take classes.

1. **Age:** 20
2. **Gender:** male
3. **Major:** marketing
4. **Marital Status:** single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** soph
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.2
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** 1

N	11.	<b>Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?</b>
N	12.	<b>Do you read comic books regularly?</b>
N	13.	<b>Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?</b>
N	14.	<b>Do you read graphic novels regularly?</b>
N	15.	<b>Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?</b>
Y	16.	<b>Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?</b>
N	17.	<b>Do you read blogs?</b>
N	18.	<b>Do you read online news articles?</b>
N	19.	<b>Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?</b>
Y	20.	<b>Do you read the online version of such material?</b>
Y	21.	<b>Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?</b>
N	22.	<b>Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?</b>
Y	23.	<b>Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?</b>
N	24.	<b>Do you ever read self-help material?</b>
N	25.	<b>Do you habitually do required reading for class?</b>

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	The Internet
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	1984
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Not sure
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Medium
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Night
31.	<b>What type intimidates you the least?</b>	News articles
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	3
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	40
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	2
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	4

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

Reading usually feels like a chore to me. I think it feels this way because most of the reading I do is for school. My attitude does vary if I am reading something that I feel will greatly benefit me.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

When I was first learning how to read I remember reading a lot of Dr. Seuss. As I got older I read animorph books on a daily basis. After that I started to read less.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My mom loves to read and reads every single day while my dad almost never reads anything unless he has to.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I will mostly read books on poker. The content is mostly on how to get better at poker and learning different strategies and terms. Usually paper back books with medium sized print.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

Reading Shakespeare in high school

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

Reading 1984 in high school

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather read about 9/11. The pictures would be fun to look at but it would get boring faster than reading would.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Text book reading because it is reading that I am required to do and it is not voluntary.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

Big book with small font all black and white with no pictures.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required? When I read I tend to drift off and think about other things and then I come back and realize that I have no idea what I just read.**



1. **Age:** 20
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Major:** Newspaper Journalism
4. **Marital Status:** Single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Soph.
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.0
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

N	11.	<b>Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?</b>
N	12.	<b>Do you read comic books regularly?</b>
Y	13.	<b>Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?</b>
N	14.	<b>Do you read graphic novels regularly?</b>
N	15.	<b>Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?</b>
N	16.	<b>Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?</b>
Y	17.	<b>Do you read blogs?</b>
Y	18.	<b>Do you read online news articles?</b>
N	19.	<b>Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?</b>
N	20.	<b>Do you read the online version of such material?</b>
Y	21.	<b>Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?</b>
N	22.	<b>Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?</b>
N	23.	<b>Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?</b>
N	24.	<b>Do you ever read self-help material?</b>
N	25.	<b>Do you habitually do required reading for class?</b>

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Over the internet
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Clemente
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Sports Illustrated
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Medium
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Night
31.	<b>What type intimidates you the least?</b>	Nonfiction books
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	30
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	60%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	0
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	8

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

Reading doesn't feel like a chore at all. It can take you back in history so you learn so much which you can apply to your own life. I don't know why exactly I feel this way about reading, but I do like history very much.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

As a kid, I would love to look at books, but not necessarily read them. When I grew older and became a teenager, I read a few John Grisham novels, *The Firm*, *Runaway Jury*, and *The Pelican*

Brief. Now I am mostly interested in history and nonfiction books.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

I don't think my parents read a lot. They seem to have books, but I don't remember ever seeing them read them. They do read some magazines like *People* and the newspaper every day.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I am most likely to read biographies about historical or sports figures. I generally don't decide if I am going to read a book by looking at the cover. To me, what it looks outside and inside is unimportant. I do like to see pictures in the book because it can sometimes supplement a passage or scene described in the book.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

Reading *Macbeth* in a high school English class. I couldn't understand most of the book and I was not able to dive any deeper. It had a greater meaning than just the plot, but I couldn't figure it out.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.** Roberto Clemente is one man I respect a lot and reading his biography was very exciting. The book went very in-depth and left no stone unturned. I couldn't put the book down. It was absolutely fantastic.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather look at the pictures. To me, the visuals are more a powerful description of what happened. It also shows emotions on people's faces which cannot be read in a book.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Any type of fiction. I can't read any deeper into the meaning of the book and what the author is saying. I feel I cheated myself if I

simply read a book for plot and did not understand the deeper information of the author's intentions.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

I hate very thick books that don't have any color. Also, if it is just nothing but words without pictures or graphs, I think I am in trouble. Any time I see a big book with small print, I do my best to avoid it and only read what I have to.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

Sometimes I just skim something and totally forget what I just read. Then I have to go back and re-read it until I understand it. If there was a reading-techniques class, I would probably take it. I could learn a lot and it would be very helpful and useful for me.

1. **Age:** 30
2. **Gender:** male
3. **Major:** integrated social studies
4. **Marital Status:** single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** soph
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.4
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

Y	11.	<b>Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?</b>
N	12.	<b>Do you read comic books regularly?</b>
N	13.	<b>Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?</b>
N	14.	<b>Do you read graphic novels regularly?</b>
N	15.	<b>Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?</b>
Y	16.	<b>Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?</b>
N	17.	<b>Do you read blogs?</b>
Y	18.	<b>Do you read online news articles?</b>
N	19.	<b>Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?</b>
N	20.	<b>Do you read the online version of such material?</b>
N	21.	<b>Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?</b>
N	22.	<b>Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?</b>
N	23.	<b>Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?</b>
N	24.	<b>Do you ever read self-help material?</b>
Y	25.	<b>Do you habitually do required reading for class?</b>

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Online
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	James Patterson books
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Sports Illustrated
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Medium
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Night
31.	<b>What type intimidates you the least of reading?</b>	Leisure
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	20
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	60%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	3
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	7

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

Reading is more fun when it is not a required task. The subject of reading is a main factor in my attitude. If I can pick a subject I like, I will be more inclined to read.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

I read a lot more as a child. The house was always full of books in different subjects. Trips to the library was a regular occurrence that allowed me to explore different materials.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My mom read often and my dad did occasionally. My mom read different types of books while my dad read mostly newspapers.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

If it is not an assigned reading, I will mostly read newspapers or magazines. I like to stay informed and materials that cover many areas that I can quickly catch up on is the one I'd choose.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

In the 8<sup>th</sup> grade, we were assigned many books that did not interest me. At a time where it is important to encourage reading, I felt that it would benefit more to somehow integrate our interests into our readings.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

Two summers ago, I was on vacation at a lake house and I took a few books with me. It was great to sit on the porch and look forward to reading James Patterson mysteries.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would now probably choose reading about 9/11 because I've seen so many pictures of it. It would now be interesting to hear from people who have been apart of the horrific day.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

I think readings from earlier centuries intimidates me the most. I find it difficult to understand sentences with many words that I am not familiar with.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font, etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

I think the text, paper, font, etc. does not intimidate me. The

subject or substance of the material is what intimidates me.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

If it is not a subject I don't like, I will skim a lot. Doing so sometimes prevents me from gaining what I'm supposed to from the material. I need to be more open to learning of subjects I'm not too familiar with so that I don't skim so much.

1. **Age:** 21
2. **Gender:** male
3. **Major:** construction management
4. **Marital Status:** single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Jr.
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.00
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

N	11.	<b>Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?</b>
N	12.	<b>Do you read comic books regularly?</b>
N	13.	<b>Do you read popular magazines (one or more than one) regularly?</b>
N	14.	<b>Do you read graphic novels regularly?</b>
N	15.	<b>Do you read any national or city newspaper (printed version) regularly?</b>
Y	16.	<b>Do you read your college's campus newspaper regularly?</b>
N	17.	<b>Do you read blogs?</b>
Y	18.	<b>Do you read online news articles?</b>
N	19.	<b>Do you read tabloid materials (check-out-stand magazines)?</b>
Y	20.	<b>Do you read the online version of such material?</b>
N	21.	<b>Within the last year, have you read, from start to finish, at least one full-length article in an academic journal?</b>
N	22.	<b>Do you read regularly from religious literature or sacred books?</b>
N	23.	<b>Do you habitually read about pop-culture and entertainment?</b>
N	24.	<b>Do you ever read self-help material?</b>
Y	25.	<b>Do you habitually do required reading for class?</b>

26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Verbally, or through actually doing something
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Harry Potter
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Espn
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Medium
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	Night
31.	<b>What type intimidates you the least?</b>	Sports reading
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	20
33.	<b>Of what you read, what percentage do you consistently remember?</b>	75%
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	10
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	3

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

When I am assigned reading through school I do feel like it is a chore to read. When I am just reading on my own I usually enjoy it because I am reading something that I am interested in. I feel this way about reading because I generally do not read on my own.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

When I was younger I used to read books all the time, I

remember my favorite book growing up was number the stars. Also when I started middle school I read the entire Harry Potter book, which still today is some of my favorite books.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

The only person in my family who reads regularly would be my dad. He reads almost every day, besides for him though no one in my family reads.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

On my own I am most likely to read articles online. Every day I read multiple articles on nba.com, I choose to read these because it is something that I am interested in.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

I have never really had a bad reading experience. I do not really like reading in front of large classrooms because I am afraid that I will mess up and make a fool of myself.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

My best reading experience is when I am just sitting in my room at night reading something that I enjoy, without any interruptions.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would rather see the wreckage, planes, etc. because I feel like I can visually picture what happened. To me pictures can say a thousand words just by looking at it. What takes ours to read can often times be summed up into a few pictures.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

Material that has a lot of big words that I don't understand the meaning of. Or reading that I totally disagree with.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font,**

**etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

Intimidating text looks like a big thick book. Usually has a blank cover without any pictures, maybe just a title.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

My weakness would probably understand big words. I need to build a stronger vocabulary and freshen up on reading more advanced books from scholars.

1. **Age:** 20
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Major:** Journalism & Mass Communication
4. **Marital Status:** not married
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** 0
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** Soph.
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 2.74
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** 1

Y	11.	<b>Within the last year, have you read a non-required book from cover to cover that was over 100 pages?</b>
N	12.	<b>Do you read comic books regularly?</b>
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26.	<b>What is your best way to receive information?</b>	Images work better then reading usually
27.	<b>What is your favorite book?</b>	Angel & Demons
28.	<b>What is your favorite magazine?</b>	Espn
29.	<b>Are you a slow, medium, or fast reader?</b>	Medium
30.	<b>Would you rather read during the day or night?</b>	night
31.	<b>What type of reading intimidates you the least?</b>	Casual reading
32.	<b>Besides textbooks, how many books do you own?</b>	Around 20
33.	<b>What percent of what you read do you recall?</b>	Around $\frac{3}{4}$ if the book is good
34.	<b>How many books do you check out from the library per semester, on average?</b>	Around 3
35.	<b>From 1 to 10, how much do you care about reading (1 being lowest?)</b>	7

**36. Describe your attitude toward reading. Does it always feel like a chore? Does it feel like a release? Why do you think you feel this way toward reading? Does your attitude toward reading ever vary?**

My attitude towards reading depends on how interested I am in the book. If I read a good book I can read it for hours but bad books can feel like a chore. I can read a book in a day if it is really interesting. Good stories are very engaging and you want to know what happens in them.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

When I was young, my books were like Goodnight Moon and a

few others. Simple books that were fun to read. When I was younger I was big into Goosebumps I had around 40 of them and had read them all. Harry Potter was also big and I read all of those. Lately Da Vinci Code and sci-fi books are what I read usually.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My parents don't read many books or anything. They read the newspaper and magazines usually.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).** Well I like interesting books like sci-fi and mystery novels. They have to an engaging plot.

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

In high school I read a book called Ethan Frome. The whole book was very depressing and boring and at the end he tried to kill himself by crashing a sled into a tree. It was a terrible ending.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

Last year my friend got me into a series called The Lost Fleet. It's a book series about a fleet of ships in space and is very well done. I read the first two books in a week.

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

Pictures because they can capture better what happened that day. It's one thing to read about an event but seeing what happened has more of an impact.

**43. What type of reading material (content) intimidates you the most? Why?**

I have always had a problem with long pieces of boring writing. I really enjoy dialogue and spaces without that can be boring to me.

**44. For you, what does an intimidating text look like, physically? Describe what sort of cover, size, paper, font,**

**etc. would get a definite negative reaction from you.**

Usually a very large book with small text can make me not want to read it. Books need to find a good balance of size and text size with me.

**45. Everyone has at least a few weaknesses in reading technique. What are yours? What are some ways you can become a better reader? Would you take a reading-techniques class if it were free but not required?**

My problem is when I start to get bored I will skim through parts of a book. This sometimes makes me miss important information and hurts my reading. I should try to focus better on reading everything. I would probably not take a reading class if it was not required. I look at reading as something to relax.

1. **Age:** 20
2. **Gender:** female
3. **Major:** Hospitality Management
4. **Marital Status:** single
5. **Number of years spent outside USA (if none, then 0):** none
6. **Year at college (Fresh., Soph., Jr, Sr):** sophomore
7. **Time zone college is located in:** Eastern
8. **Size of college (small, medium, large):** Large
9. **Estimate of your overall GPA:** 3.0
10. **Languages you are fluent in:** English

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I enjoy reading books that I like. It only ever feels like a chore when its for school and it's something I am not interested in. My attitude towards reading varies depending on if I am in school or not.

**37. Describe your reading habits as you grew up (childhood, teenager, young adult). List some books that you remember having around the house. Do you remember any large picture books? Any teen novels or adventure series?**

I read a lot when I was younger mostly longer books when I could read. My parents always read to me as a child and showed

me picture books. I remember a very hungry caterpillar and The Music of the Dolphins when I was older.

**38. Describe your family in terms of their reading habits. Did your parents read? Did your siblings read? Cousins? If so, what did they read the most?**

My parents read all the time, my dad likes political books, my mom likes books about animals. All my siblings like to read as does the rest of my family.

**39. Describe the material you are most likely to read. Describe both content and material form (cover, pages, etc.).**

I like funny books, and true stories

**40. Describe your worse reading experience.**

Reading the book "Things Fall Apart" for school it was long.

**41. Describe your best reading experience.**

I really enjoyed "Uncle Tom's Cabin".

**42. If you had to choose only one or the other, would you rather read about 9/11 or see pictures of the wreckage, planes, etc. Why do you feel this way?**

I would want to see pictures because I can think for myself not read what someone else is thinking.

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Academic reading

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Plain looking and big, very small font is never good, no pictures is too boring.

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I may read too fast and miss information, yes I would take a free

reading techniques class because it would better me in reading for academics.