AFRICAN POPULATION AND HEALTH RESEARCH CENTER
EDUCATION RESEARCH PROGRAMME
TEACHER QUESTIONNAIRE (BASELINE)

THIS QUESTIONNAIRE SHOULD BE ADMINISTERED TO TEACHERS OF ENGLISH
IN CLASS SIX IN THE SCHOOL VISITED

In the process of developing this study tool, several sources were consulted and mainly included the Human Sciences and Research council (HSRC) and the South Africa Consortium for Monitoring and Evaluating Educational Quality II – Kenya (SACMEQ II).

1.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1.1 START TIME

1.2 DATE OF INTERVIEW (DD/MM/YYYY)

1.3 FIELD INTERVIEWER’S (FI) CODE

1.4 FULL NAME OF THE TEACHER

1.4a TSC/EMPLOYMENT NUMBER

1.5 FULL NAME OF SCHOOL

1.6 CURRENT KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATION INDEX FOR THE SCHOOL

1.7 PREVIOUS KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATION INDEX FOR THE SCHOOL

1.8 FI: IN WHICH PROVINCE IS THE SCHOOL LOCATED?

01=COAST; 02=CENTRAL; 03=EASTERN; 04=NAIROBI; 05=RIFT VALLEY; 06=WESTERN

07=NYANZA; 08=NORTH EASTERN

1.9 FI: GIVE THE NAME OF THE DISTRICT WHERE THE SCHOOL IS LOCATED

1.10 INTRODUCTION AND CONSENT

Good morning/afternoon/evening sir/madam. My name is (NAME OF FIELD INTERVIEWER). I work with the African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC) which carries out research on education, Health, Urbanization, and Well being. The APHRC works in Kenya and in the sub-Saharan Africa region. Under the Education theme, we visit primary schools to collect data on school infrastructure, enrolment, staffing and management. This time round, we would like to collect data from [NAME OF SCHOOL] and we will be interviewing teachers handling class six. From them, we seek data on their professional and academic training, subjects they teach at class six as well involve them in correcting problems faced by standard six pupils in mathematics. The results of this research will be disseminated to schools participating in the study and at national level in order to inform education policy in Kenya.

Your responses will be held with utmost confidentiality and will only be available to members of the research team. Your responses will not cause any disadvantage to you or your school. If you accept to participate in this study, you will be doing so professionally and voluntarily and there will not be any monetary returns. Any benefits of the research will be policy oriented intended to improve the teaching and learning processes in our schools. You are free to ask questions as we proceed. You may also refuse to respond to questions you do not feel comfortable answering. This interview will take about 30 minutes.

1.11 Would you like to participate in this research? 1=YES; 2=NO;

[IF 1=YES, THANK THE RESPONDENT AND PROCEED TO SECTION 2.0 ]

1.12 Kindly let me know the reason why you would not wish to participate in this research

01=TOO BUSY/DO NOT HAVE TIME; 02=TIRED OF RESEARCH; 03=RESEARCH NOT BENEFICIAL;

04=NOT INTERESTED; 96=OTHER (specify)

[CHECK 1.11: IF 2=NO, THANK THE RESPONDENT, AND SKIP TO SECTION 6.0]

2.0 SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT YOU

2.1 FI: INDICATE SEX OF TEACHER/RESPONDENT 1=FEMALE; 2=MALE

2.2 What is the date of your birth? (DD/MM/YYYY)

2.3 What is the highest level of academic education you have attained?

01=PRIMARY EDUCATION; 02=JUNIOR SECONDARY EDUCATION;

03=SECONDARY EDUCATION (O-LEVEL); 04=SECONDARY EDUCATION (A-LEVEL);

05=BACHELOR’S DEGREE OR HIGHER (OTHER THAN BACHELOR OF EDUCATION)

96=OTHER (specify)
2.4 What is the highest level of certification of your pre-service teacher training?
01=NO TEACHER TRAINING (UT); 02=CERTIFICATE; 03=DIPLOMA; 04=DEGREE; 05=PGDE
96=OTHER (specify) [IF 01, SKIP TO 2.6]

2.5 How many years of pre-service teacher training have you received altogether?

2.6 How adequately do you feel prepared for teaching the English curriculum?
01=VERY INADEQUATE; 02=INADEQUATE; 03=SOMEHOW ADEQUATE; 04=ADEQUATE;
05=VERY ADEQUATE

2.7 In the last 18 months, how many in-service teacher training short courses have you attended that were specific to English? [FI: WRITE e.g. 04 FOR 4, 00 FOR 0 etc.] [IF 00, SKIP TO 2.10]

2.8 Mention the names of the in-service teacher training short courses attended

2.9 How many days altogether have you attended this in-service?

2.10 How many complete years (including this year 2009) have you been a school teacher?

2.11 How many complete years (including this year 2009) have you been a school teacher at this school?

2.12 How many complete years (including this year 2009) have you been an English teacher?

2.13 How many complete years (including this year 2009) have you been an English teacher in class 6?

2.14 How many streams of class six do you teach English?
1=ONE; 2=TWO; 3=THREE; 4=MORE THAN THREE

2.15 Which are those streams? [FI: THESE DIFFER BY SCHOOL, e.g. 6A, 6B, 6C or 6K1, 6K2, 6K3 etc?]

2.16 In total, how many English lessons do you teach in class six in a week?

2.17 How often does the school Head teacher watch you teach English?
1=OFTEN; 2=SOMETIMES; 3=RARELY; 4=NEVER

2.18 How often does the deputy Head teacher/HOD/Senior teacher/master teacher in the school watch you teach English?
1=OFTEN; 2=SOMETIMES; 3=RARELY; 4=NEVER

2.19 How many times did an English curriculum or subject advisor from the zonal/division/district or province visit you in your classroom, at this or any other school in the last 18 months?
01=NEVER; 02=ONCE; 03=TWICE; 04=MORE THAN TWICE; 05=NOT TEACHING IN THE LAST 18 MONTHS [IF 1=NEVER, SKIP TO 3.0]

2.20 Which of the following activities did the English curriculum or subject advisor undertake if s/he visited?
1=YES; 2=NO

A LOOKED AT LEARNERS WORK IN CLASS
B CHECKED MY FILES AND RECORDS
C DISCUSSED MY TEACHING AND AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT
D SUGGESTED ATTENDING A TRAINING SESSION
E EXPLAINED CURRICULUM CONTENTS
F RECOMMENDED NEW TEACHING MATERIALS OR METHODS
G GAVE ME NEW MATERIALS AND TEXTBOOKS
H OTHER(SPECIFY)
2.21 Have you covered any of the following English topics so far in your class 6 this year?

1=YES; 2=NO; 3=CANNOT REMEMBER

[FI: PROBE TO ASCERTAIN THE TEACHER HAS COVERED ALL THE FOLLOWING IN EACH TOPIC:
LISTENING & SPEAKING, READING, WRITING, WORDPOWER & LANGUAGE PRACTICE]

A HEALTH AND HYGIENE
B SHOPPING
C CELEBRATIONS
D DRUGS
E DIRECTION
F HOME
G ACCIDENTS
H TRAVEL
I VIRTUES
J CRAFT
K ENVIRONMENT
L ATHLETICS
M CHILD LABOUR
N GAMES
O ART

2.22 In total, how many lessons do you teach in all subjects and classes in this school in a week?

2.23 How often do you deal with learner discipline problems?

01=SEVERAL TIMES A DAY; 02=ONCE A DAY; 03=SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK;
04=ONCE A WEEK; 05=LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH; 06=NEVER 96=OTHER (SPECIFY)

2.24 How often do learners in the school threaten or hurt other learners?

01=SEVERAL TIMES A DAY; 02=ONCE A DAY; 03=SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK;
04=ONCE A WEEK; 05=LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH; 06=NEVER 96=OTHER (SPECIFY)

2.25 How often do teachers in the school threaten or hurt learners physically?

01=SEVERAL TIMES A DAY; 02=ONCE A DAY; 03=SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK;
04=ONCE A WEEK; 05=LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH; 06=NEVER 96=OTHER (SPECIFY)

2.26 How often do outsiders threaten or hurt learners in your school?

01=SEVERAL TIMES A DAY; 02=ONCE A DAY; 03=SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK;
04=ONCE A WEEK; 05=LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH; 06=NEVER 96=OTHER (SPECIFY)

2.27 What activity takes you out of school most often?

01=UNION MEETINGS; 02=DEPARTMENTAL OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS;
03=CONSULTATIONS WITH OTHER TEACHERS; 04=DOMESTIC RESPONSIBILITIES
05=RESPONSIBILITIES RELATED TO SECOND JOB;
06=RESPONSIBILITIES RELATED TO MY COMMUNITY SUCH AS LOCAL POLITICS
07=CONSULTATIONS WITH LEARNERS
08=CONSULTATIONS WITH PARENTS OR GUARDIANS OF LEARNERS
09=TRAINING OR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
96=OTHER (specify) 99=I AM NEVER TAKEN OUT OF MY CLASSES

2.28 What is your typical means of transport from your residence to this school?

01=WALKING; 02=BICYCLE; 03=MOTOR-CYCLE; 04=PUBLIC TRANSPORT;
05=DRIVING PRIVATE/SCHOOL VEHICLE; 96=OTHER (Specify)

2.29 Using this means (in 2.27), how long does it take you to get to school?

[ENTER RESPONSE IN MINUTES e.g. 2hrs=120 minutes]

2.30 How many of the families of the learners you teach do you know?

01=ALL THE FAMILIES; 02=THREE QUARTERS OF THE FAMILIES; 03=ABOUT HALF OF THE FAMILIES
04=ABOUT A QUARTER OF THE FAMILIES; 05=NONE OF THE FAMILIES 96=OTHER (specify)
2.31 Do you frequently face the following problems in your class(es)?  
1=YES; 2=NO

[FI: READ OUT THE OPTIONS ONE AT A TIME AND CODE APPROPRIATELY]

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<td>NEW POLICIES/WORK LOAD/CANNOT COVER THE SYLLABUS</td>
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2.32 Is there an education resource center which serves your school? 1=YES; 2=NO

IF 2, SKIP TO 3.0]

2.33 Have you visited the education resource center in the last 18 months? 1=YES; 2=NO

IF 2, SKIP TO 3.0]

2.34 What reasons made you visit the education resource center? 1=YES, MENTIONED; 2=NOT MENTIONED

[FI: PROBE AND CODE APPROPRIATELY]

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<td>SEEK ADVICE FROM THE STAFF OF THE RESOURCE CENTER</td>
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3.0 SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR PLACE OF ABODE/HOME

3.1 Which of the following things do you have access to in the place (home) where you stay during the school week?

1=YES; 2=NO

[FI: READ OUT THE OPTIONS TO THE RESPONDENT. INCLUDE ITEMS CURRENTLY BROKEN BUT CAN BE REPAIRED]

A DAILY NEWSPAPER
B WEEKLY OR MONTHLY MAGAZINE
C RADIO
D TV SET
E VIDEO CASSETTE RECORDER (VCR)/DVD
F CASSETTE PLAYER
G TELEPHONE/MOBILE PHONE
H REFRIGERATOR/FREEZER
I CAR
J MOTORCYCLE
K BICYCLE
L PIPED WATER
M ELECTRICITY, GENERATOR, SOLAR
N TABLE TO WRITE ON
O TOILET IN THE HOUSE

3.2 Approximately how many of the following livestock are owned by the household or place where you stay during the school week?

[FI: PLEASE WRITE THE NUMBER IN THE BOXES FOR EACH ITEM e.g. 0012 FOR 12]

A Cattle
B Sheep
C Goats
D Horses
E Donkeys
F Pigs
G Poultry
H Camels

3.3 What is the main source of lighting by which you can read in the place (home) where you stay during the school week?

1=FIRE; 2=CANDLE; 3=PARAFFIN OR OIL LAMP; 4=GAS LAMP; 5=ELECTRIC LIGHTING, SOLAR, GENERATOR; 6=THERE IS NO LIGHTING

4.0 SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT ENGLISH

4.1 Does the school report for each pupil include a specific section for comment on English? 1=YES; 2=NO

4.2 How important do you consider the following pupil activities in the teaching of English?

1=NOT IMPORTANT; 2=OF SOME IMPORTANCE; 3=VERY IMPORTANT

[FI: PROBE AND APPROPRIATELY INDICATE ALL THAT APPLY]

A LISTENING AND SPEAKING (INCLUDING DICTATION, STORY TELLING, DEBATE)
B READING (INCLUDING STORY COMPREHENSION, STUDYING & INTERPRETING GRAPHS FROM MAGAZINES, NEWSPAPERS ETC)
C WRITING: SENTENCES ABOUT PICTURES, COMPOSITION, COPYING WRITTEN TEXTS ETC
D WORKING ALONE TO SOLVE ENGLISH PROBLEMS
E WORKING IN PAIRS OR GROUPS TO SOLVE ENGLISH PROBLEM
F PREPARING PROJECTS OR POSTERS TO BE SHOWN TO CLASS
G HOME ASSIGNMENTS
H QUIZZES, TESTS, EXAMINATIONS, etc
4.3 Of the eight activities listed above (in question 4.2), select the one you consider to be the most important.
[FI: INDICATE LETTER CORRESPONDING TO THE MOST IMPORTANT ACTIVITY CHOSEN]

4.4 Do you ask parents or guardians to sign pupils' books to indicate that they have completed their English home assignments?
1=YES; 2=NO

4.5 How important do you consider the following goals in the teaching of English?
[FI: READ OUT, PROBE AND CODE APPROPRIATELY]
1=NOT IMPORTANT; 2=OF SOME IMPORTANCE; 3=VERY IMPORTANT
A CONFIDENCE IN SPEAKING AND WRITING ENGLISH LANGUAGE
B READING SKILLS INCLUDING COMPREHENSION OF WRITTEN ENGLISH
C SATISFACTION FROM DOING ENGLISH
D PROBLEM SOLVING (TRANSFER OF SKILLS TO EVERY DAY LIFE & APPLYING KNOWLEDGE)
E OPENING UP CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
F DEVELOPMENT OF LIFE SKILLS

4.6 Of the six goals listed above (in question 4.5), select the one you consider to be the most important.
[FI: INDICATE LETTER CORRESPONDING TO THE MOST IMPORTANT ACTIVITY CHOSEN]

4.7 How often do you use the following approaches when teaching English?
[FI: READ OUT, PROBE AND CODE APPROPRIATELY]
1=OFTEN; 2=SOMETIMES; 3=RARELY; 4=NEVER
A USING EVERYDAY PROBLEMS (VERBALLY, WRITTEN OR WORKSHEETS)
B TEACHING THE WHOLE CLASS AS A GROUP
C TEACHING IN A SMALL GROUP
D TEACHING INDIVIDUALLY
E TEACHING THROUGH QUESTION AND ANSWER TECHNIQUES
F GIVING POSITIVE FEEDBACK
G RELATING TO EVERYDAY LIFE SITUATIONS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE
H BASIC TRAINING SKILLS
I EXPLAINING ENGLISH VOCABULARIES
J USING AVAILABLE LOCAL MATERIALS

4.8 How often do you give your pupils a written test in English?
01=I DO NOT TEST THE PUPILS; 02=ONCE PER YEAR; 03=ONCE PER TERM;
04=TWO OR THREE TIMES PER TERM; 05=ONCE A MONTH; 06=TWO OR MORE PER MONTH

5.0 QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR STANDARD SIX CLASS AND YOUR TEACHING

5.1 How many books do you have in your classroom library or book corner? (FI: PROBE BUT DO NOT INCLUDE MAGAZINES OR NEWSPAPERS. IF THERE IS NO CLASSROOM LIBRARY OR BOOK CORNER WRITE '000' IN THE BOXES PROVIDED)

5.2 How many of the following do you have in your classroom or teaching area?
[FI: WRITE '00' IF NONE]
A SITTING PLACES FOR PUPILS (ON CHAIRS OR ON BENCHES)
B WRITING PLACES FOR PUPILS (ON DESKS OR TABLES)
5.3 Which of the following are available in your classroom or teaching area?  
1=YES, 2=NO  
[FI: PROBE AND CODE APPROPRIATELY]

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<td>CHALK (OR OTHER MARKERS)</td>
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<td>A WALL CHART OF ANY KIND</td>
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<td>A CUPBOARD OR LOCKER</td>
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<td>ONE OR MORE BOOKSHELVES</td>
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<td>A TEACHER’S CHAIR</td>
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5.4 Do you have access to the following items/materials in your school?  
1=YES, 2=NO  
[FI: READ OUT THE OPTIONS, PROBE AND CODE APPROPRIATELY]

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<td>GEOMETRICAL INSTRUMENTS (e.g. COMPASS, PRO-TRACTOR) FOR USE ON WRITING BOARD</td>
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<td>D</td>
<td>TEACHER’S GUIDE (ENGLISH)</td>
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5.5 How many hours, on average, do you spend in a typical school week working on lesson preparation?  
1=NEVER; 2=ONCE A YEAR; 3=ONCE A TERM; 4=ONCE OR MORE A MONTH

5.6 How often do you usually meet with the parents or guardians of the pupils in your class to discuss pupil performance or related matters?  
1=NEVER; 2=ONCE A YEAR; 3=ONCE A TERM; 4=ONCE OR MORE A MONTH

6.0 COMMENTS, INTERVIEW RATING AND WIND UP

6.1 RECORD COMMENTS ABOUT THE INTERVIEW

6.2 RATE THE INTERVIEW  
1=VERY BAD; 2=BAD; 3=AVERAGE; 4=GOOD; 5=VERY GOOD

6.3 RESULT OF INTERVIEW  
01=COMPLETED; 02=RESPONDENT CANNOT ANSWER (e.g. IS CHALLENGED)  
03=RESPONDENT IS OUT OF SCHOOL FOR EXTENDED PERIOD;  
05=RESPONDENT’S WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN; 96 OTHER (specify);  
97=RESPONDENT REFUSED TO BE INTERVIEWED

6.4 RECORD END TIME

6.5 FIELD SUPERVISOR/TEAM LEADER’S CODE

6.6 DATA ENTRY CLERK’S CODE