Community English Program (CEP)
Teacher's College, Columbia University
Level: Advanced Studies

This survey is to help us get to know you and why you want to study English.
Please answer thoughtfully and honestly. This is <u>not</u> a test!

Name / Nickname: _____ **Nationality:** _____

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

1. When did you come to the U.S.? _____

2. What is your native language? _____

3. Do you know any other languages? If yes, what are they? _____

4. How long and where have you studied English? _____

5. What are your English goals? Rank your *top 3 goals* below from most important (1) to least important (3):

____ get a job	____ improve conversation skills
____ get a better job	____ improve writing
____ improve speaking	____ learn about American culture
____ improve reading	____ for TOEFL, IELTS, GRE or other test
____ improve grammar	____ other: _____

6. What do you think you are good at in English? Rank your skills from best (1) to worst (6):

____ reading	____ writing	____ listening
____ speaking	____ grammar	____ pronunciation
____ other: _____		

7. Which activities are most helpful to you in learning English? (check all that apply)

□ reading	□ games	□ listening to songs
□ watching TV	□ field trips	□ pair/group work
□ pronunciation drills	□ conversation	□ writing stories
□ grammar exercises	□ other: _____	

8. Please tell us about your reading habits. For each statement below, write the number that best describes you:

4 = Strongly Agree	3 = Agree	2 = Not sure / No opinion	1= Disagree	0 = Strongly Disagree	*

8a. I enjoy reading.	
8b. My family read to me as a child.	
8c. I often read in my spare time.	
8d. I enjoy reading in English.	
8e. I only read for school or work.	

9. What kinds of texts do you usually read? For each item, write the number that best describes your habits:

3 = I often read this kind of text	2 = I sometimes read this kind of text	1 = I never read this kind of text.	0 = I don't know what this is.	*

Fiction (e.g. novels, short stories)		Magazines	
Non-fiction (e.g. biographies, history, travel)		Comic Books	
Poetry		Websites	
Newspapers		Blogs	
Cookbooks		Other:	

10. What topics are interesting to you? (check all that apply)

□ American culture	□ sports	□ global issues/politics
□ food/cooking	□ jobs/work	□ pop culture (music, movies, fashion, etc.)
□ technology	□ cultural differences	□ other: _____

11. Which of the following do you have at home? (check all that apply)

□ computer (laptop or desktop)   □ iPad or tablet computer   □ smartphone

12. Which websites and software are you familiar with? (check all that apply)

□ Google	□ Facebook	□ YouTube
□ Amazon	□ Twitter	□ Skype
□ Microsoft Word	□ Microsoft Power Point	□ Instagram
□ Blogger	□ other: _____	

13. Do you have experience with group work in language classes? Please write the number that best describes you:

4 = Strongly Agree	3 = Agree	2 = Not sure / No opinion	1 = Disagree	0 = Strongly Disagree	*

13a. As a student, I have had many opportunities to work with my classmates.	
13b. I enjoy working with other students.	
13c. I prefer working with other students.	
13d. I hope we do a lot of pair and group work in this English class.	

14. We would like to know more about you! Please write at least 6-8 sentences to answer the following questions:

    a.   Why did you come to New York?
    b.   What do you like *best* about New York?
    c.   What do you like *least* about New York?

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Thank you for taking the time to answer these questions! Your answers will help us create a course to fit your needs.