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ACCOMPANYING NOTES
TEACHER QUESTIONNAIRE

"Population of Teachers to Whom Teacher Questionnaires should Be Given"

Population I

All classroom teachers in selected schools who are teaching students aged 10-11 or younger. In large schools a sub-sample of this population of teachers can be taken. All selected teachers should be requested to complete the General Section of the questionnaire; if any are teaching science (in any form) they should be asked to complete the Science section; if any are also specific teachers of reading, they should be asked to complete the Mother Tongue section.

Populations II and IV

All teachers in selected schools who are teaching Science, (and Mother Tongue for countries testing in Reading Comprehension and/or Literature). All selected teachers should be requested to complete the General Section of the questionnaire; in addition, science teachers should be asked to complete the science section and Mother Tongue teachers, the Mother Tongue section.

General Section

- Q.3 The term 'university degree level' means B.A./B.Sc. level.
- Q.7 This is full-time training and such phenomena as 'Referendarzeit' in Germany should be included. The term 'excluding part-repetition of courses' refers to repeating a year in a higher education course. Thus, if it has taken a teacher 4 years to complete what is normally a 3 year course this should be recorded as 3 years.
- Q.12 By general teachers' association or union is meant either regional or national association e.g., National Education Association, American Federation of Teachers, N.U.T. etc.

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Q.28 The term 'printed drill material' includes both work books and other books which comprise primarily many routine exercises.

Q.38 This should be treated as an unscaled variable. National Centers should develop a set of up to nine categories which will cover the range of possible circumstances in their country. The categories should be arranged in order of their position in the academic hierarchy (if possible).

Category A will be "I have received no training at all".

Categories B, C and D should be used for institutions which do not give degrees.

Categories E, F and G should be used for institutions giving first degrees but not allowing for graduate study.

Categories H, I and J should be reserved for university type institutions.

See the General Notes for further explanation of unscaled variables.

Science

Q.1-5 If the word "semester" is not used, replace with "year" or "term" whichever is appropriate. However the question should be asked in such a way that the international coding can be used on the answer card. Where, for example, in physics both a laboratory and lecture class have been taken in a semester, this is one semester.

Q.6-10 This may be rephrased into hours or days in some countries where appropriate, but must be coded in terms of the international code.

Mother Tongue

The Dry Run Teacher Reading Comprehension and Literature Questionnaires have been collapsed into one Teacher Mother Tongue Questionnaire. All Mother Tongue teachers should answer Qs. 1-27 and only Literature Teachers should then continue with Qs. 28-59.

Q. 2-6 These may be rephrased into hours or days in some countries where appropriate, but code in terms of the international code.

(6 hours = 1 day; 5 days = 1 week)