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Student Survey - English Level 1 Pilot 2016

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Information on the Survey and Participants

The student survey was designed to measure students' self-reported satisfaction and experience of the digital examinations, including establishing whether the students regularly use electronic devices at home and at school.

There were some technical issues experienced during the English Level 1 Digital Examination that were resolved by the time the Media and Classical Studies Level 1 Digital Examinations took place. Students who participated in the English Level 1 Pilot Examination were emailed the survey to complete as it was not made available to them at the end of the examination. Only 34 out of a possible 1393 (2.9%) responses were received. This not considered a representative enough number of respondents to draw any conclusions of students' experience of the English Digital Examination. Nonetheless the results for the closed ended questions have been compiled and are presented here.

Note that not all 34 respondents answered all the questions in the survey.

Appendix 1 contains a count of responses for each closed ended question. Appendix 2 is a full list of the survey questions.

Main findings

Overall satisfaction

24 of 27 respondents agreed or strongly agreed with the statement 'Overall I found doing this exam digitally was a positive experience'.

Exam preparation

18 of 32 respondents found the sample assessments very useful in preparing for the digital exam. Ten respondents reported not being aware of the existence of the sample assessments.

23 of 26 respondents disagreed or strongly disagreed with the statement 'I spent more time preparing for this digital exam than I would have if I had been doing it on paper'.

On the day

30 of 31 respondents reported they used their own device to complete their examination, and one respondent reported that they used a school provided device. 29 of 31 respondents reported they used a laptop. One respondent used a desktop and 1 respondent used a tablet.

21 of 34 respondents experienced network or device issues accessing or completing the digital examination.

27 of 29 respondents reported that they found it easy or very easy to navigate through the digital examination.

24 of 29 respondents reported that they found it easy or very easy to enter their responses to the examination questions.

Digital technology at home

29 of the 30 respondents reported having more than one device at home. 20 of the 30 respondents reported having three different types of devices available at home.

Digital technology at school

24 of 30 respondents reported that digital technology is used in class to support their learning very often or quite often. No respondents reported that digital technology was never used in class.

28 of 30 respondents reported that digital technology is used for homework to support their learning very often or quite often. No respondents reported that digital technology was never used for homework.

20 of 30 respondents reported that digital technology is used in internal assessments to support their learning very often or quite often, 9 respondents reported it was used occasionally, and 1 respondent reported it was never used.

Summarised responses by question

Question 1. What device did you use to complete this digital exam?

	Count	Percentage
My own Laptop	29	0.94
My own Tablet	1	0.03
School provided Desktop	1	0.03
Total	31	1

Question 2. Did you experience any network or device problems accessing or completing this digital exam?

	Count	Percentage
No problems	13	0.38
Yes	21	0.62
total	34	1

Question 3. What devices do you have access to in your home? Select all that apply.

	Count	Percentage
Laptop	1	0.03
Laptop, Desktop computer	1	0.03
Laptop, Tablet	1	0.03
Smartphone, Laptop	7	0.23
Smartphone, Laptop, Desktop computer	3	0.1
Smartphone, Laptop, Desktop computer, Tablet	12	0.4
Smartphone, Laptop, Tablet	5	0.17
Total	30	0.99

Question 4. I found the sample assessments very useful in preparing me for the digital exam.

	Count	Percentage
Agree	17	0.53
Disagree	4	0.12
I didn't know they existed	10	0.31
Strongly agree	1	0.03
Total	32	0.99

Question 5. How much is digital technology used for homework to support your learning?

	Count	Percentage
Very often	14	0.47
Quite often	14	0.47
Occasionally	2	0.07
Never	0	0
Total	30	1.01

Question 5. How much is digital technology used in class to support your learning?

	Count	Percentage
Very often	11	0.37
Quite often	13	0.43
Occasionally	5	0.17
Never	1	0.03
Total	30	1

Question 5. How much is digital technology used in internal assessments to support your learning?

	Count	Percentage
Very often	13	0.43
Quite often	7	0.23
Occasionally	9	0.3
Never	1	0.03
Total	30	0.99

Question 8. How easy was it to navigate through the digital exam?

	Count	Percentage
Very easy	6	0.21
Easy	21	0.72
Difficult	1	0.03
Very difficult	1	0.03
Total	29	0.99

Question 9. How easy did you find entering your responses to the digital exam?

	Count	Percentage
Very easy	10	0.34
Easy	14	0.48
Difficult	4	0.14
Very difficult	1	0.03
Total	29	0.99

Question 10. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement "I spend more time preparing for this digital exam than I would have if I had been doing it on paper"?

	Count	Percentage
Strongly agree	0	0
Agree	3	0.12
Disagree	17	0.65
Strongly disagree	6	0.23
Total	26	1

Question 11. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement "Overall I found doing this exam digitally was a positive experience"?

	Count	Percentage
Strongly agree	11	0.41
Agree	13	0.48
Disagree	2	0.07
Strongly disagree	1	0.04
Total	27	1

Student Survey questions

- Question 1. What device did you use to complete this digital exam?
- Question 2. Did you experience any network or device problems accessing or completing this digital exam?
- Question 3. What devices do you have access to in your home? Select all that apply?
- Question 4. I found the sample assessments very useful in preparing me for my digital exam.
- Question 5. How much is digital technology used to support your learning in class?
- Question 5. How much is digital technology used to support your learning for homework?
- Question 5. How much is digital technology used to support your learning for internal assessments?
- Question 6. What did you like most about completing the exam digitally? List us to three things you liked.
- Question 7. What did you dislike most about completing the exam digitally? List us to three things you disliked.
- Question 8. How easy was it to navigate through the digital exam?
- Question 9. How easy did you find entering your responses to the digital exam?
- Question 10. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement “I spent more time preparing for this digital exam than I would have if I had been doing it on paper”?
- Question 11. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement “Overall I found doing this exam digitally was a positive experience”?
- Question 12. Are there any features or functions that you think future digital exams should include? Please identify these.
- Question 13. Please add any other feedback you have on this digital exam.