

Appendix 1

Survey Questionnaire

[Your responses will be recorded only for research purposes and confidentiality will be strictly maintained]

SECTION I: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: **Sex:**

Department: **Session of Honours:**

Residential Hall:

SECTION II: PARTICIPANT'S HABIT

1) How long have you been reading English newspapers regularly?

- Started recently (1-6 months)
- 6 months to 1 year
- 1 year to 2 years
- 2 years to 3 years
- More than 3 years

2) How often do you read English newspaper?

- Every day
- A few times a week
- About once a week
- A few times a month
- Rarely

3) How much time do you spend on reading English newspaper a day?

- Less than 1 hour
- 1-2 hours
- 2-3 hours
- More than 3 hours

4) How many English newspapers do you read in a day?

- One
- Two
- Three
- More than three

5) Which English newspaper do you usually read? (You may choose *more than one* answer)

- Daily Sun*
- The Independent*
- The Daily Observer*
- The Bangladesh Today*
- Dhaka Tribune*
- The Daily Star*
- Financial Express*
- New Age*
- Other online or offline newspapers (please specify):

6) Which sections do you usually read in an English newspaper? (You may choose *more than one* answer)

- Business
- Entertainment
- Editorial (including Op-Ed/sub-editorial)
- International
- Politics
- Sports
- Other (please specify):

7) How often do you have discussions with your friends on recent affairs quoted from an English newspaper?

- Very Frequently (80% to 100%)
- Frequently (60% to 80%)
- Occasionally (40% to 60%)
- Rarely (20% to 40%)
- Very Rarely (1% to 20%)
- Never (0%)

SECTION III: SKILL DEVELOPMENT

8) Why do you like to read English newspapers? (*You may choose more than one answer*)

- To enrich vocabularies
- To develop English reading habit
- For job preparation
- For GRE/GMAT/IELTS/TOEFL or any other standardized test
- For academic excellence
- As a hobby
- To learn exclusive features only available in English newspapers
- As for being more comfortable reading English
- Other (please specify):

9) How often do you take notes while reading English newspaper?

- Always (75% to 100%)
- Usually (50% to 75%)
- Sometimes (25% to 50%)
- Rarely (1% to 25%)
- Never (0%)

10) What do you think about your comprehension level of reading English newspaper?

- Very Good (80% to 100%)
- Good (60% to 80%)
- Acceptable (40% to 60%)
- Poor (20% to 40%)
- Very Poor (1% to 20%)

SECTION III: SELF-ASSESSMENT

Please answer the following questions by ticking the appropriate box:

For your convenience	
Very High	80% to 100%
Above Average	60% to 80%
Average	40% to 60%
Below Average	20% to 40%
Very Low	0% to 20%

Questions	Very High	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Very Low
1. To what extent do you consider the impact of reading newspapers on developing your overall language skills?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. To what extent do you consider the impact of reading newspapers on developing your reading skills?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. To what extent do you consider the impact of reading newspapers on developing your writing skills?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. To what extent do you consider the impact of reading newspapers on developing your speaking skills?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. How do you evaluate the facilities in your hall's newspaper room?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. To what extent do you consider the impact of reading newspapers on developing your English vocabulary?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Appendix 2

Interview Questions

1. From your experience, have English newspapers been effective for improving your English skills? Why or why not?
2. How has reading English newspapers personally helped *you* develop reading skills?
3. In your own learning journey, how has reading English newspapers contributed to improving *your* writing abilities?
4. Can you describe how reading English newspapers has enriched *your* vocabulary? Do you feel this has noticeably improved *your* English proficiency?
5. What challenges, if any, have *you* encountered while reading English newspapers?
6. Could you share a personal example of how reading English newspapers has impacted *your* second language learning journey?
7. Drawing from your experience, what strategies do you believe would enhance this habit for second language acquisition, specifically for a student residing in a university dormitory?