

**Exhibit 12.1: PIRLS 2016 Reading Items for Concurrent Calibration**

Item Type	Points	Items Released in 2011		Items Common in 2011 and 2016		Items Introduced in 2016		Total	
		Items	Points	Items	Points	Items	Points	Items	Points
Multiple-Choice	1	29	29	45	45	41	41	115	115
	1	12	12	16	16	33	33	61	61
Constructed Response	2	12	24	15	30	17	34	44	88
	3	1	3	5	15	3	9	9	27
<b>Total</b>		<b>54</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>291</b>

**PIRLS 2016 Reading Items for Concurrent Calibration by Reading Purposes and Comprehension Processes**

Purposes for Reading Items	Items Released in 2011		Items Common in 2011 and 2016		Items Introduced in 2016		Total	
	Items	Points	Items	Points	Items	Points	Items	Points
Literary Experience	28	35	44	55	46	58	118	148
Acquire and Use Information	26	33	37	51	48	59	111	143

  

Processes of Comprehension	Items Released in 2011		Items Common in 2011 and 2016		Items Introduced in 2016		Total	
	Items	Points	Items	Points	Items	Points	Items	Points
Retrieving and Straightforward Inferencing	33	36	46	51	57	65	136	152
Interpreting, Integrating, and Evaluating	21	32	35	55	37	52	93	139
<b>Total</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>291</b>