# QUESTIONNAIRE ABOUT THE LEARNING OF ENGLISH[[1]](#footnote-1)

With this questionnaire we would like to know what you do on your own initiative when you use or learn English (at home or in class). There are no true or false answers so it is important that your answers are about what you think. Your answers will be treated confidentially.

**The questionnaire has several sections and a number of items. For each item, choose the option that best represents what you do according to this scale:**

*Always never or*

*or almost often sometimes rarely very rarely hardly*

*always* ever

**A B C D E F**

**Mark one option only (*A*, *B*, *C,* *D, E o F*) in the corresponding slot in the answer sheet.**

Example: look at the following answer (E) from someone who does not have the habit of reading the newspaper every day:

I read the newspaper A B C D E F

## IMPROVING YOUR GENERAL LEVEL OF ENGLISH

## *In order to improve your level of English, how often do you do any of the following?*

1. I review what we have done in class or I test myself on my own.
2. When I see short texts in English, I try to figure out what they mean.
3. When I hear someone speak in English, I make an effort to see what I can understand.
4. I pay attention to the errors that I make when I write or speak in English.
5. I do exercises, sentences or dictations to practice on my own.

## VOCABULARY LEARNING

## *When you want to learn or remember the vocabulary that has been taught in class, how often do you do any of the following on your own initiative?*

21.    I write down the word together with an example sentence.

24.  I repeat the words out loud several times.

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## STUDYING GRAMMAR

## *When you go over the grammar that you have studied in class, how often do you do any of the following?*

25.    I write summaries or outlines of the structures that we are learning.

26.    I review the structures mentally or out loud.

## READING IN ENGLISH

## *What do you usually do on your own initiative when you read a text in English?*

30.    Before I start reading, I look at what the text is about.

33.    I relate what I know about the topic with what the text is about.

***And when you are reading and come up with something that you do not understand, what do you do?***

36.  I pay attention to the words that appear next to what I do not understand in a text.

37.  I try to understand the structure of the sentence.

40. I pay attention to the key words or the words that I already know.

## WRITING IN ENGLISH

## *When you write compositions or other texts in English, what do you usually do on your own initiative?*

43.    Before I start writing, I first think about what I want to say.

50.    I review what I have written carefully.

***And while writing, if you want to use words, expressions or grammatical forms that you do not know or do not remember at that moment, what do you do?***

55.    I use some book or the class notebook.

Thanks a lot for your cooperation

1. Shortened version resulting from Tragant, Thompson and Victori (2013) Understanding foreign language learning strategies: A validation study. *System* 41 (pp. 95-108). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)