LANGUAGE BACKGROUND SURVEY
FAMILY

PART A - STUDENT DETAILS

Student Name:	1.	2.	3.	4.
Date of Birth:				
Country of Birth:				
Grade:				
Place in family: eg: First, Second, Third etc				
If entering Kindergarten, has your child had any Preschool/Daycare experience:				
If YES, please give details of where and how long:				
If entering another Grade, please indicate previous school and suburb (or country):				

PART B - LANGUAGE BACKGROUND

What was the first language child learnt to speak from birth?	1.	2.	3.	4.
What is the main language child speaks now?				
What other languages can child speak now?				

What language, other than English, can child read?				
What language, other than English, can child write?				
What language, other than English, can child understand but does not speak?				

PART C - FAMILY BACKGROUND

	Parent/Carer 1	Parent/Carer 2
Your relationship to child		
Where were you born?		
What is your cultural background? *If not understood provide an example: I was born in Australia, but my cultural background is Greek*		
What is the main language you speak at home?		
What other languages do you speak?		
Can you read English?		
Can you write in English?		
What other languages can you read?		
What other languages can you write?		

What is the main language you and other adults use in the home? *ADULT to ADULT*		Other languages in this situation?
What is the main language used when speaking to your child? *ADULT to CHILD*		Other languages in this situation?

What is the main language your child uses when speaking to you or other parent/carer? *CHILD to ADULT*		Other languages in this situation?
What language does your child use when speaking with brothers, sisters, cousins? *CHILD to CHILD*		Other languages in this situation?
What is the main language other people use to speak to the children (ie. grandparents, extended family etc)		Other languages in this situation?
Was an interpreter required (please circle): Y / N	Parent/Carer 1	Parent/Carer 2
Date Completed:	Teacher Signature:	