



English Teacher Reference Form

Sarasota Christian School International Student Application

Name of Student: _____

Grade to which applying: _____

Instructions

Student: Give this form to your English teacher or tutor. The teacher should email or fax it directly to the address at the end of the form, or you can provide a pre-addressed, stamped envelope so the teacher can send it directly back to us.

Teacher: This student is applying for admissions to a school in the United States. This form is used to help us evaluate the student's reading, writing, and verbal English skills. Please fill out the form as accurately as possible to help us fully assess the student's English-language ability.

English Teacher/Tutor's Name: _____

How long have you known the student? _____

Reading: *When asked to read aloud in English from a book, magazine or newspaper, the student is (select only one):*

- Excellent** – Able to read with few errors and easily explains the text's meaning.
- Very Good** – Able to read well except for a few difficult terms and explain most of the ideas.
- Good** – Able to read most of the words and explain the basic idea.
- Fair** – Able to read some of the vocabulary and explain parts of the text.
- Poor** – Able to read and understand only the simplest words and can only explain a little or none of the meaning.

Writing: *When asked to write a short essay in English, the student's writing is (select only one):*

- Excellent** – Writes fluently and uses lengthy sentences. Has an extensive English vocabulary and uses grammar properly.
- Very Good** – Good use of English vocabulary, but uses some irregular grammar. Writes well.
- Good** – Grammar is irregular but uses a fair vocabulary. Sentences are understandable.
- Fair** – Writes simple sentences with elementary vocabulary. Grammar is irregular, but meaning is understandable.
- Poor** – Writes with a limited vocabulary and the writing is difficult to understand.

Verbal: Estimate the student's ability to understand and speak English (select only one):

Excellent – Student is nearly fluent and can understand and respond to difficult questions. Student understands abstract terms and communicates very well.

Very Good – Student can understand most conversation and responds slowly but with appropriate answers. Student can ask questions correctly.

Good – Student can understand some conversation and responds haltingly but does not ask many questions.

Fair – Student's speaking ability is limited to basic words and phrases. Student's comprehension is limited and student may revert to his or her native language when frustrated.

Poor – Student knows a few phrases but cannot understand basic English.

Social Skills: Please rate the student on the following. Select one answer per category.

	Poor	Fair	Good	Very Good	Excellent
Ability to express himself or herself					
Emotional stability and maturity					
Self-reliance and independence					
Overall academic knowledge					

Based on your answers above, please select one of the following statements:

I recommend this student to be accepted at Sarasota Christian School.

I recommend with some reservation that this student be accepted by Sarasota Christian School:
Reason for this answer:

I recommend that this student NOT be accepted by Sarasota Christian School.

English Teacher/Tutor Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Institution/School: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Please mail, fax or email this form to:

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