

Survey - Reading habits of the university population in Portugal

OBJECTIVES

We are conducting this study to better understand how Higher Education students in Portugal engage with reading today. By sharing your habits and experiences, you help us identify how different backgrounds and academic environments shape reading practices. Your input is vital in helping us map the current state of student literacy across the country.

INFORMED CONSENT

I confirm that I have been informed about the objectives of this research. I voluntarily consent to the anonymous storage and use of my responses for academic and research purposes. I am aware that all data will be treated confidentially in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (Regulation (EU) 2016/679) and that no identifying information will be collected or shared.

Yes, I consent

No, I do not consent

1. Gender:

- a) Female
- b) Male
- c) Other

2. Age: _____

3. Cycle of studies:

- a) Degree
- b) Master
- c) PhD
- d) Other: _____

4. Year of attendance:

- a) 1st year
- b) 2nd year
- c) 3rd year
- d) Other: _____

5. Course you're taking: _____

6. Higher education institution you attend: _____

7. How do you rate your love of reading?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
I don't									I love to
like									read

8. In your opinion reading is

- a) Very important
- b) Important
- c) Not very important
- d) Not important

9. What kind of books do you read?

- a) School books
- b) Technical books
- c) Fiction (novels, adventures, short stories)
- d) Comics
- e) Poetry
- f) Other: _____

10. What kind of books are you most interested in?

- a) History
- b) Romantics
- c) Adventures
- d) Terror
- e) Intrigue/Mystery
- f) Science fiction
- g) Fantasy
- h) Other: _____

11. During your school career, you were suggested to read different books. In general:

- a) You read the whole book
- b) You only read some parts
- c) You didn't read

12. In what time of year do you read the most?

- a) On holidays
- b) During the school term
- c) During leisure time
- d) Other: _____

13. In what format do you usually read books in?

	A few times a year	A few times a month	A few times a week	Every day or almost every day
a) Print format	☐	☐	☐	☐
b) Digital format	☐	☐	☐	☐

14. What kind of digital device do you use when you read?

- a) Computer
- b) Mobile phone
- c) E-Reader/E-book

15. On average, how many books do you read in a year? _____

16. Do you give books away?

- a) Yes
- b) No

17. Do you usually buy and read newspapers/magazines?

- a) Yes
- b) No

18. What kind of newspapers do you read?

- a) National
- b) International
- c) Local
- d) Sports

19. In what format do you usually read newspapers/magazines?

- a) Printed format
- b) Digital format

20. Do you usually comment on the books you read with your friends/colleagues?

- a) Yes
- b) No

21. How often do you read periodicals?

- a) Every day
- b) Almost every day
- c) One day per week
- d) From time to time
- e) Never

22. What's the main reason you read?

- a) Amuse me
- b) I like
- c) Evade me
- d) I learn
- e) Let me know
- f) I keep up to date
- g) Other: _____

23. In the last year, how many books have you read voluntarily?

- a) None
- b) 1 to 2
- c) 2 to 3
- d) 3 to 5
- e) 5 to 10

f) More than 10

24. How often do you use the internet for the following reading activities?

	Never	A few times a year	A few times a month	A few times a week	Every day or almost every day
a) To search for information	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b) To read books	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c) Press/Magazines	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d) To download content	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e) To buy books	☐	☐	☐		☐
f) Blogs or forums	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐