

**Exhibit 9: Purposes for Reading Emphasized in the Intended Language/
Reading Curriculum**

Reported by National Research Coordinators

SOURCE: IEA's Progress in International Reading Literacy Study – PIRLS 2016

Country	Reading to Improve Reading	Reading for Literary Experience	Reading to Acquire Information	Reading for Enjoyment
Australia	●	●	●	●
Austria	●	●	●	●
Azerbaijan	◐	◐	●	○
Bahrain	●	○	◐	○
Belgium (Flemish)	●	◐	●	◐
Belgium (French)	●	●	○	◐
Bulgaria	◐	●	◐	◐
Canada	●	●	●	●
Chile	●	●	●	◐
Chinese Taipei	◐	●	●	◐
Czech Republic	●	●	●	●
Denmark	◐	●	●	●
Egypt	●	◐	○	○
England	●	●	●	●
Finland	◐	●	●	◐
France	◐	●	●	◐
Georgia	●	●	●	●
Germany	●	◐	●	●
Hong Kong SAR	●	●	●	○
Hungary	●	●	●	●
Iran, Islamic Rep. of	●	◐	●	●
Ireland	●	◐	●	●
Israel	◐	●	●	●
Italy	●	●	●	●
Kazakhstan	●	◐	●	○
Kuwait	◐	○	○	○
Latvia	●	●	◐	○
Lithuania	●	●	◐	◐
Macao SAR	◐	●	◐	●
Malta	●	●	●	●
Morocco	◐	●	●	○
¹ Netherlands	●	◐	●	◐
New Zealand	●	●	●	●
Northern Ireland	●	●	●	●
Norway (5)	●	◐	◐	◐
Oman	◐	●	●	◐
Poland	-	-	-	-
Portugal	●	●	●	●
Qatar	●	●	●	◐
Russian Federation	●	●	◐	●
Saudi Arabia	●	◐	●	◐
Singapore	●	●	●	●
Slovak Republic	●	●	◐	◐
Slovenia	●	●	●	◐
South Africa	○	◐	◐	◐
Spain	●	●	●	●
Sweden	◐	●	●	○
Trinidad and Tobago	◐	●	●	●
United Arab Emirates	◐	◐	◐	◐
United States	●	●	●	●

● Major Emphasis ◐ Some Emphasis ○ Little or No Emphasis

A dash (-) indicates data not provided.

¹ The Netherlands has no national curriculum. Given information is based on the reading methods used in school provided by educational publishers.

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Benchmarking Participants—Responses Pertain to Benchmarking Provinces/Regions/Emirates/States				
Buenos Aires, Argentina	○	●	●	●
Ontario, Canada	●	●	●	●
Quebec, Canada	○	●	●	●
Denmark (3)	○	●	●	●
Norway (4)	●	○	○	○
Moscow City, Russian Fed.	●	●	●	●
Eng/Afr/Zulu - RSA (5)	○	○	○	○
Andalusia, Spain	●	●	○	●
Madrid, Spain	●	●	●	●
Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates	●	●	●	●
Dubai, United Arab Emirates	○	○	○	○

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