Student Side

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Today’s date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Imagine that you’re about to play your favorite game. You can choose between two opponents: one that you can probably beat easily – or – one who will be a challenge, maybe even a little better than you. Which one would you pick? *(Write at least 2 sentences; note that these are the only two options.)*

Why do you work hard in school? Rank these reasons, #1 *(most important)* to #8 *(least)* – **no tie Scores** ! In the space on the right, defend your #1 and #8 rankings – why did you score them highest and lowest?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I want my parent(s) to be proud of me.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I want to please the teacher.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I want to be proud of myself.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I want to earn a good grade.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I want to get a better grade than someone else.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I want to understand the material the best I can.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I know that hard work gets the best results.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I know that what I do now affects my future.

Which would be better for you right now:  *learning new words* **or** *improving your spelling?* (circle one)

Why do you feel this way? *(Write at least 2 sentences.)*

**Parent Side**

Your name and relationship: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Today’s date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Describe one of your child’s greatest recent successes in school and how he or she felt about it.

How challenged was your child last year in Language Arts? How did he or she **and you** feel about it?

When your child is struggling with something in school, how does he or she usually cope with it?