



Chapter 2

Development of the PIRLS 2006 Reading Assessment and Scoring Guidelines

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2.1 Overview

Development of the PIRLS 2006 reading assessment began early in 2003 and continued until August 2005, when the international version of the assessment was finalized for data collection. The development was a collaborative process involving the PIRLS Reading Coordinator, the Reading Development Group, the PIRLS 2006 National Research Coordinators (NRCs) from the participating countries, the PIRLS Item Development Task Force, and TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center staff.¹

