

# Chapter 6

## PIRLS Survey Operations Procedures

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### 6.1 Overview

Conducting PIRLS 2006 was an ambitious enterprise in each country that required the careful coordination of schools, ~~stand~~ materials by the National Research Coordinator (NRC). In order to assist the NRCs and synchronize activities internationally, a standardized set of survey operations procedures was developed for each country to follow.

The design of the survey operations procedures was a collaborative effort between the TIMSS & PIRLS International Study Center, the IEA Secretariat, the IEA Data Processing and Research Center (DPC), and Statistics Canada. Procedures used successfully in PIRLS 2001, previous TIMSS studies, and other IEA studies, as well as feedback received from the countries that participated in the PIRLS 2006 ~~old~~ test, were used as a basis for developing these procedures.

Survey operations procedures included contacting schools and sampling classes, preparing materials for data collection, administering the assessment, scoring the assessment, and creating the ~~data~~ Procedures for quality control and attaining feedback on survey activities also were provided. Guidelines for each of these activities, outlined in subsequent sections of this chapter, were described in an international set of materials that was provided to each NRC.























