

Curriculum Design	
Content Area: World Languages	
Course Title: Middle School Specials	Grade Level: 8
Interpretation of Language	10 weeks
Interpersonal Language Skills	10 weeks
Presentational Language Skills	10 weeks
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Unit 1 Overview

Content Area: World Languages

Unit 1 Title: Interpretation of Language

Grade Level: 8

Unit Summary:

Understanding common words and phrases from other languages helps us to communicate with others. Learning about a new language and culture deepens my understanding of my own language and culture. People around the world have many things in common.

Primary interdisciplinary connections: English Language Arts, Visual and Performing Arts; Health and Physical Education; Technology; Music

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Learning Targets

Standards: 7.1 World Languages- All students will be able to use a world language in addition to English to engage in meaningful conversation, to understand and interpret spoken and written language, and to present information, concepts, and ideas, while also gaining an understanding of the perspectives of other cultures. Through language study, they will make connections with other content areas, compare the language and culture studied with their own, and participate in home and global communities.

Content Statements

- Understands and communicates at the **sentence** level and can *use simple sentences* independently to:
 - Identify the main idea and some supporting details when reading.
 - Understand the gist and some supporting details of conversations dealing with everyday life.
 - Infer the meaning of some unfamiliar words when used in familiar contexts.
- Immigration changes both the community of origin and the new community.
- The study of another language and culture deepens understanding of where and how people live and why events occur.

- Due to globalization and advances in technology, the products and practices of a culture change over time, and these changes may impact cultural perspectives.
- Human and animal migration is often related to the availability of resources and the ability to adapt to the environment.
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- Current trends and issues influence popular culture.

CPI #	Cumulative Progress Indicator (CPI)				
7.1.IL.A.1	Identify the main idea and most supporting details contained in culturally authentic materials using electronic information sources related to targeted themes.				
7.1.IL.A.2	Demonstrate comprehension of oral and written instructions connected to daily activities through appropriate responses.				
7.1.IL.A.3	Compare and contrast the use of verbal and non-verbal etiquette (i.e., the use of gestures, intonation, and cultural practices) in the target culture(s) and in one’s own culture.				
7.1.IL.A.4	Use the target language to describe people, places, objects, and daily activities learned about through oral or written descriptions.				
7.1.IL.A.5	Demonstrate comprehension of conversations and written information on a variety of topics.				
7.1.IL.A.6	Identify the main idea, theme, and most supporting details in readings from age- and level-appropriate, culturally authentic materials.				
7.1.IL.A.7	Infer the meaning of a few unfamiliar words in some new contexts.				
7.1.IL.A.8	Compare and contrast unique linguistic elements in English and the target language.				
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Evidence of Learning	
<p>Equipment needed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prentice Hall’s <u>Realidades</u> Student Edition • The following culturally authentic materials and resources will be used: sheet music and instruments, Internet resources and technology presentation tools, sporting equipment, assorted art supplies, and foods. 	
<p>Summative Assessments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher Prepared Tests • Participation in activities and projects • Anecdotal records • Teacher observation 	
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<p>Modifications: (Special education, ELLs, at-risk students, gifted and talented)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Menus • Choice Boards • Tiered Assignments • Partner work • Leveled Texts • Flexible grouping • Individualizing lessons • Compacting • Varying question levels 	

Unit 2 Overview
Content Area: World Languages
Unit 2 Title: Interpersonal Language Skills
Grade Level: 8
<p>Unit Summary: I can communicate my needs and wants in different languages. Communicating in other languages opens up opportunities within my community as well as in the larger world around me.</p> <p>Primary interdisciplinary connections: English Language Arts, Visual and Performing Arts; Health and Physical Education; Technology; Music</p> <p>ELA- RI.8.3- Analyze how a text makes connections among and distinctions between individuals, ideas, or events (e.g., through comparisons, analogies, or categories).</p> <p>ELA-RI.8.4- Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative, connotative, and technical meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.</p> <p>21st century themes: 9.1 D. Cross-Cultural Understanding and Interpersonal Communications and 9.1.E. Communication and Media Fluency</p> <p>Career Ready Practices- CRP1- Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee. CRP2- Apply appropriate academic and technical skills. CRP 4- Communication clearly and effectively and with reason. CRP5- Consider the environmental, social, and economic impacts of decisions.</p>
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in home and global communities.

Content Statements

- Understanding and communicating at the **sentence** level and can *use words, lists, and simple sentences* independently to:
 - Ask and answer questions related to everyday life
 - Handle simple transactions related to everyday life:
 - Initiate, maintain, and end a conversation.
 - Ask for and give permission.
 - Express needs.
 - Give reasons.
 - Request, suggest, and make arrangements.
 - Extend, accept, and decline an invitation.
 - Express an opinion and preference.
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- The study of another language and culture deepens understanding of where and how people live and why events occur.
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7.1.IL.B.1	Use digital tools to participate in short conversations and to exchange information related to targeted themes.				
7.1.IL.B.2	Give and follow a series of oral and written directions, commands, and requests for participating in age- and level-appropriate classroom and cultural activities.				
7.1.IL.B.3	Use appropriate gestures, intonation, and common idiomatic expressions of the target culture(s)/language in familiar situations.				
7.1.IL.B.4	Ask and respond to factual and interpretive questions of a personal nature or on school-related topics.				
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<p>situations?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where do different languages live in my community? • How will learning a new language enhance my life? 	<p>depending on the person we are speaking with.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are many different languages in my community. • Learning to communicate in a new language opens many doors for me.
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Unit 3 Overview

Content Area: World Languages

Unit 3 Title: Presentation of Language

Grade Level: 8

Unit Summary:

Native speakers of a language and foreign speakers of a language communicate very differently. In addition to words, my body language, rhythm, fluency, and intonation all help to communicate my message.

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7.1.IL.C.3	Use language creatively to respond in writing to a variety of oral or visual prompts.
7.1.IL.C.4	Compare and contrast age- and level-appropriate culturally authentic materials orally and in writing.
7.1.IL.C.5	Compare and contrast cultural products and cultural practices associated with the target culture(s) and one’s own culture, orally, in writing, or through simulation.
7.1.IL.C.6	Summarize requirements for professions/careers that require proficiency in a language other than English based on exploration of the 16 Career Clusters.

<p>Unit Essential Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can learning and using a new language help me assimilate into a new culture? • What strategies can I use to communicate more effectively in another language? • How does my body language communicate my point effectively? • What is the difference between a native speaker and a foreigner that speak the same language? • How can I sound more like a native speaker? 	<p>Unit Enduring Understandings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I can comprehend tradition and culture by studying and producing culturally authentic projects. • I can use body language, song, rhyme, and visual cues to communicate more effectively in another language. • I can listen and practice good intonation, speed, and accents when communicating in another language.
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