Alignment to North Carolina's World Language Essential Standards

Voces® Introductory Spanish ~ Chapter 1

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This standards-based online program integrates stories, communicative tasks, and culture in a cohesive, all-in-one format accessible to students and teachers from any device.

This document illustrates how the first chapter in Introductory Spanish aligns to North Carolina's World Language Essential Standards. If you have any questions, call 1-800-848-0256 or email info@vocesdigital.com.

Chapter 1: Greetings

Communication

Interpersonal Communication: Person-to-Person Communication

Interpersonal skills are used in informal, one-on-one or small group conversations. Students can ask for clarification when needed and negotiate with each other during the conversation. Most interpersonal communication involves everyday topics, like greetings, instructions, directions, current events, class discussions, news about family and friends, social events, requests for information, academic discourse, and so on.

Section	Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
¡Vamos a charlar!		Speaking	I can introduce myself
			and ask how someone is.
Preguntas personales		Speaking	Listen and respond to
			simple Spanish greetings
Vocabulario	En la comunidad	Speaking	Introduce yourself to a
			native speaker in the
			community

Interpretive Communication: Listening and Reading

Interpretive skills involve receiving information in a situation where meaning cannot be negotiated. Students hear or see the message and respond based on their interpretation. These messages could be about any topic and come from a wide variety of sources and media: textbooks, newspapers, signs, websites, news broadcasts, television and radio programs, lectures, presentations-live and recorded, etc.

Section	Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
Ejemplos		Listening	Listen to simple
			introductions

Actividades	Actividad 2	Reading	I can recognize basic greetings vocabulary.
Actividades	Actividad 5	Reading	I can greet someone
			appropriately in formal
			and informal situations.
Actividades	Actividad 7	Reading	I can recognize the
			correct greeting in
			formal and informal
			situations.
Actividades	Actividad 9	Reading	I can respond
			appropriately to an
			introduction or basic
			greeting.
Actividades	Actividad 10	Reading	I can respond
			appropriately to an
			introduction or basic
			greeting.

Presentational Communication: Speaking and Writing

Presentational skills involve preparing information to be shared with an audience, either through speaking or writing. Students have time to draft, revise, and practice presentations that show their use of language. These presentations vary from somewhat informal, such as a quick report to the class on an article, to quite formal, which might be a culminating project involving a multimedia display with a speech.

Section	Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
Actividades	Actividad 3	Writing	I can respond to an
			introduction or basic
			greeting.
Actividades	Actividad 4	Writing	I can greet someone
			appropriately in formal
			and informal situations.
Actividades	Actividad 8	Speaking	I can respond
			appropriately to an
			introduction or basic
			greeting.

Culture

Learning about culture means building an understanding of the practices, perspectives and products of a society. The practices involve patterns of social interactions, such as how people are greeted or how respect is shown. Perspectives are the values, beliefs, ideas, and attitudes that are an integral part of life. Products are the books, foods, laws, music, games, etc., that are created and used within the society.

Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
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Introducción	Los saludos	Formal and informal
		greetings
Panorama	De Chihuahua al Pacífico	Greeting someone while
		traveling
Materiales auténticos	Lengua de señas	Sign language and
		Spanish greetings
Materiales auténticos	Saludos sin contacto de manos	Different cultural
		greetings

Connections to Language & Literacy – Comparisons

The world language being studied, referred to as the target language, helps students develop a greater understanding and insight into the nature of language and culture, including their native or first language. These comparisons, along with the three communication modes, blend together to focus students on language and literacy.

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Connections to Other Disciplines – Connections

Studying a world language involves making connections with other academic disciplines, formally and informally. Within the communication skills, the language arts of reading, writing, speaking, and listening are utilized. As students learn about numbers and currency, mathematics and economics are included. All of social studies is part of culture, as are the arts, health, physical education, and science. Career and technical skills in these areas are also drawn on, and technology is woven throughout world languages as a resource for materials and a means of expression and presentation.

Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
Nota cultural		Learn where Spanish is
		spoken
Materiales auténticos	Saludos sin contacto de manos	Different cultural
		greetings

Communities

Students preparing for success in the 21st Century need to access knowledge and information from other communities, and use that information to function well with people from diverse backgrounds.

Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
Vocabulario	En la comunidad	Introduce yourself to a
		native speaker in the
		community.

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