

Alignment to North Carolina's World Language Essential Standards

Voces® *Nostra storia* ~ *Livello 2* ~ *Unità 1*

Nostra storia, Livello 2 is an interactive Italian curriculum framework that was created based on the principles of Acquisition-Driven Instruction and Comprehensible Input. This framework includes the vocabulary, themes, stories, and activities you need to create your custom Italian curriculum. *Nostra storia, Livello 2* will take your students through a Novice-Mid level of proficiency and beyond. The standards-based, online program integrates communication and culture in a cohesive, all-in-one format accessible to students and teachers from any device.

This document illustrates how unit one in *Nostra storia, Livello 2* aligns to North Carolina's World Language Essential Standards. If you have any questions, call 1-800-848-0256 or email info@vocesdigital.com.

<i>Unità 1: L'avventura comincia</i>			
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
<i>Racconto 1: La vita di Alessandra al mare</i>	Interpersonal Writing: <i>Le vacanze perfette</i>	Writing	I can make vacation plans over text.
<i>Storia: Il sogno di Sergio</i>	Interpersonal Speaking: <i>Una conversazione con Francesco</i>	Speaking	I can talk about favorite pastimes in Italy.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpersonal Writing	Writing	I can respond appropriately to text messages about traveling.
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, presentation—live and recorded, etc.			
Section	Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
<i>Racconto 1: La vita di Alessandra al mare</i>	<i>Attività 2: Vero o falso?</i>	Reading	I can read a story about going to the sea.
<i>Racconto 2: Amici di penna</i>	<i>Attività 1: Risposta multipla</i>	Reading	I can read a story about traveling by train in Italy.
<i>Racconto 2: Amici di penna</i>	Interpretive Reading: <i>Un viaggio in treno</i>	Reading	I can understand a website used for buying train tickets to travel in

			Italy.
<i>Racconto 3: La scuola di danza</i>	<i>Attività 1: È un problema?</i>	Reading	I can read a story about a dance school.
<i>Racconto 4: L'origine di Ferragosto</i>	<i>Attività 1: Risposta multipla</i>	Reading	I can read a story about the origins of Ferragosto.
<i>Racconto 4: L'origine di Ferragosto</i>	Interpretive Listening: <i>Ti regaliamo una vacanza!</i>	Listening	I can understand a video about vacation preferences among children.
<i>Storia: Il sogno di Sergio</i>	<i>Attività 1: Rispondi alle domande</i>	Reading	I can read a story about a singer in Puglia.
<i>Ancora! Ancora!</i>	<i>Intervista: Laura</i>	Listening	I can understand some of what a person says about their hobbies and lifestyle.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Intepretive Reading	Reading	I can read, identify, and understand many words in an Italian infographic about vacations.

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
<i>Racconto 1: La vita di Alessandra al mare</i>	Presentational Writing: <i>La mia spiaggia preferita</i>	Writing	I can write a letter about my favorite beach.
<i>Racconto 3: La scuola di danza</i>	Presentational Speaking: <i>Un lavoro nella scuola di danza</i>	Speaking	I can talk about why I should be hired for a job at a dance school.
<i>Storia: Il sogno di Sergio</i>	<i>Attività 2: Descrivi la foto</i>	Writing	I can write brief descriptions about a story of a singer in Puglia.
<i>Storia: Il sogno di Sergio</i>	<i>Attività 3: Raccontami cosa succede</i>	Speaking	I can tell a story about a singer in Puglia.
End-of-Unit Review and Assessment	<i>La mia storia!</i>	Writing	I can write an original story.
End-of-Unit Review and Assessment	<i>Raccontaci una storia originale</i>	Speaking	I can tell an original story.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Presentational Speaking	Speaking	I can talk about a recent summer trip I took.

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
<i>Racconto 2: Amici di penna</i>	Interpretive Reading: <i>Un viaggio in treno</i>	I can understand a website used for buying train tickets to travel in Italy.
<i>Storia: Il sogno di Sergio</i>	Interpersonal Speaking: <i>Una conversazione con Francesco</i>	I can talk about favorite pastimes in Italy.
<i>Ancora! Ancora!</i>	<i>Il mondo attraverso le foto: La stazione di Milano Centrale</i>	I can compare modes of transportation in Italy with modes of transportation in my own country.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpretive Reading	I can compare travel trends from Italy to the travel trends in my home country.

Connections to Language & Literacy – Comparisons

The world language being studied, referred to as the target language, helps students develop a great 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.

Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
<i>Racconto 1: La vita di Alessandra al mare</i>	<i>Vocabolario importante</i> Story script	Vocabulary
<i>Racconto 2: Amici di penna</i>	<i>Vocabolario importante</i> Story script	Vocabulary
<i>Racconto 3: La scuola di danza</i>	<i>Vocabolario importante</i> Story script	Vocabulary
<i>Racconto 4: L'Origine di Ferragosto</i>	<i>Vocabolario importante</i> Story script	Vocabulary
<i>Storia: Il sogno di Sergio</i>	<i>Nota di grammatica: L'imperfetto</i>	Talking about ongoing or repeated actions that took place in the past
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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.		
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Communities Students preparing for success in the 21 st 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
<i>Nella mia comunità</i>		I can use the Italian language both within and beyond my classroom to interact and collaborate in my community and the globalized world.

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