

Alignment to Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for Languages Other Than English

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 Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for Languages Other Than English. If you have any questions, call 1-800-848-0256 or email info@vocesdigital.com.

<i>Unità 1: L'avventura comincia</i>			
Knowledge and Skills			
1. Communication: The student communicates in a language other than English using the skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing. The student is expected to:			
(A) Engage in oral and written exchanges of learned material to socialize and to provide and obtain information			
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.
(B) Demonstrate understanding of simple, clearly spoken, and written language such as simple stories, high-frequency commands, and brief instructions when dealing with familiar topics			
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	Interpretive Reading	Reading	I can read, identify, and understand many words in an Italian infographic about vacations.

(C) Present information using familiar words, phrases, and sentences to listeners and readers

Section	Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
<i>Racconto 1: La vita di Alessandra al mare</i>	Presentation 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>	Presentation 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	Presentation Speaking	Speaking	I can talk about a recent summer trip I took.

2. Cultures: The student gains knowledge and understanding of other cultures. The student is expected to:

(A) Demonstrate an understanding of the practices (what people do) and how they are related to the perspectives (how people perceive things) of the cultures studied

Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
<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

		myown country.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpretive Reading	I can compare travel trends from Italy to the travel trends in my home country.
(B) Demonstrate an understanding of the products (what people create) and how they are related to the perspectives (how people perceive things) of the cultures studied		
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.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpretive Reading	I can compare travel trends from Italy to the travel trends in my home country.
3. Connections: The student uses the language to make connections with other subject areas and to acquire information. The student is expected to:		
(A) Use resources (that may include technology) in the language and cultures being studied to gain access to information		
Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
<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 myown country.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpretive Reading	I can compare travel trends from Italy to the travel trends in my home country.
(B) Use the language to obtain, reinforce, or expand knowledge of other subject areas		
Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpretive Reading	I can compare travel trends from Italy to the travel trends in my home country.
4. Comparisons: The student develops insight into the nature of language and culture by comparing the student's own language and culture to another. The student is expected to:		
(A) Demonstrate an understanding of the nature of language through comparisons of the student's own language and the language studied		
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
(B) Demonstrate an understanding of the concept of culture through comparisons of the student's own culture and the cultures studied		
(C) Demonstrate an understanding of the influence of one language and culture on another		
Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
<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.
5. Communities: The student participates in communities at home and around the world by using languages other than English. The student is expected to:		
(A) Use the language both within and beyond the school setting through activities such as participating in cultural events and using technology to communicate		
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.
(B) Show evidence of becoming a lifelong learner by using the language for personal enrichment and career development		
Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
Can-Do Checklist		Setting personal language goals, self-assessment on Can-Do statements, and unit reflection

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