

Alignment to Michigan World Language Standards and Benchmarks

Voces® *Nostra storia* ~ Livello 4 ~ Unità 1

Nostra storia, Livello 4 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 4* will take your students through an Intermediate-Low 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 4* aligns to the Michigan World Language Standards and Benchmarks. If you have any questions, call 1-800-848-0256 or email info@vocesdigital.com.

<i>Unità 1: In che cosa credi?</i>			
1. Communication: Communicate in Languages Other Than English			
1.1 Interpersonal Communication (IP): Students engage in conversations, provide and obtain information, express feelings and emotions, and exchange opinions.			
Section	Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
<i>Racconto 2: Due amiche</i>	Interpersonal Speaking: <i>La vita domestica</i>	Speaking	I can talk about the importance of taking care of one's family and whether going to college is right for everyone.
<i>Racconto 3: Andiamo al Sud!</i>	Interpersonal Writing: <i>Un progetto per la classe d'italiano</i>	Writing	I can write about putting together a school project with a classmate.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpersonal Speaking	Speaking	I can talk about cultural identity in Italy and America.
1.2 Interpretive Communication (IT): Students understand and interpret written and spoken language on a variety of topics.			
Section	Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
<i>Racconto 1: In ritardo!</i>	<i>Attività 1: Chi avrebbe potuto dirlo?</i>	Reading	I can read a story about going skiing in the Alps.
<i>Racconto 1: In ritardo!</i>	Interpretive Listening: <i>Perché sono sempre in ritardo?</i>	Listening	I can understand a video about whether Italians are punctual or late.
<i>Racconto 2: Due amiche</i>	<i>Attività 1: Da falso a vero</i>	Reading	I can read a story about the implications of starting a family as a woman.

<i>Racconto 3: Andiamo al Sud!</i>	<i>Attività 1: Trova la parola giusta</i>	Reading	I can read a story about exploring new places.
<i>Storia: Luigi e Leo</i>	<i>Attività 1: Rispondi alle domande</i>	Reading	I can read a story about social anxiety.
<i>Storia: Luigi e Leo</i>	Interpretive Reading: <i>Che cos'è l'ansia?</i>	Reading	I can read an article about anxiety and mental health.
<i>Ancora! Ancora!</i>	<i>Intervista: Ilaria</i>	Listening	I can understand what someone says about Italian stereotypes and food culture in Italy.
<i>Ancora! Ancora!</i>	<i>Intervista: Chi sei?</i>	Listening	I can investigate products and perspectives in my own and other communities. I can talk about my beliefs and someone who has different beliefs than I do.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpretive Reading	Reading	I can read an article about common Italian behaviors according to foreigners.

1.3 Presentational Communication (PS): Students present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics.

Section	Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
<i>Racconto 1: In ritardo!</i>	<i>Attività 3: Le tue esperienze</i>	Writing	I can write about my own experiences with misconceptions and prejudice.
<i>Racconto 2: Due amiche</i>	<i>Attività 3: Cosa ne pensi?</i>	Speaking	I can talk about the fundamental elements of a healthy relationship.
<i>Racconto 2: Due amiche</i>	Presentational Writing: <i>La Festa della Donna</i>	Writing	I can write about the importance of celebrating International Women's Day.
<i>Racconto 3: Andiamo al Sud!</i>	<i>Attività 3: Una lettera a Markus</i>	Writing	I can write a persuasive letter.
<i>Storia: Luigi o Leo</i>	<i>Attività 3: Le tue esperienze</i>	Writing	I can write about my own experiences with anxiety and discomfort.
<i>Storia: Luigi o Leo</i>	Presentational Speaking: <i>I pregiudizi</i>	Speaking	I can talk about the existence of prejudice and misconceptions in

			society.
<i>Ripasso e valutazione</i>	<i>La mia storia</i>	Writing	I can write an original story.
<i>Ripasso e valutazione</i>	<i>Raccontaci una storia originale!</i>	Speaking	I can tell an original story.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Presentation Writing	Writing	I can write about Italian stereotypes and describe my own cultural identity.

2. Cultures: Gain Knowledge and Understand of Other Cultures

2.1 Practices and Perspectives: Students demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the practices and perspectives of the culture studied.

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<i>Racconto 1: In ritardo!</i>	Interpretive Listening: <i>Perché sono sempre in ritardo?</i>	I can understand a video about whether Italians are punctual or late.
<i>Racconto 2: Due amiche</i>	Presentation Writing: <i>La Festa della Donna</i>	I can write about the importance of celebrating International Women's Day.
<i>Ancora! Ancora!</i>	<i>Il mondo attraverso le foto: La Cattedrale di Santa Maria Assunta di Siena</i>	I can compare places of worship in Italy to those in my culture. I can talk about places of worship in my culture.
<i>Ancora! Ancora!</i>	<i>Panorama: La Cattedrale di Santa Maria del Fiore a Firenze</i>	I can make comparisons between cultural products and practices to help understand perspectives using a variety of complex sentences connected with transitions.

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3. Connections: Connect with Other Disciplines and Acquire Information		
3.1 Knowledge: Students reinforce and further their knowledge of other disciplines through the world language.		
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3.2 Point of View: Students acquire information and recognize the distinctive viewpoints that are only available through the world language and its cultures.		
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4. Comparisons: Develop Insight into the Nature of Language and Culture		
4.1 Comparing Languages: Students demonstrate understanding of the nature of language through comparisons of the language studied and their own.		

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<i>Racconto 1: In ritardo!</i>	<i>Vocabolario importante</i> Story script	Vocabulary
<i>Racconto 1: In ritardo!</i>	<i>Nota di grammatica:</i> Review of all the tenses	Verb forms
<i>Racconto 2: Due amiche</i>	<i>Vocabolario importante</i> Story script	Vocabulary
<i>Racconto 3: Andiamo al Sud!</i>	<i>Vocabolario importante</i> Story script	Vocabulary
4.2 Comparing Cultures: Students demonstrate understanding of the concept of culture through comparisons of the cultures studied and their own.		
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5. Communities: Participate in Multilingual Communities at Home and Around the World		
5.1 Use of Language: Students use the language both within and beyond the school setting.		
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.
5.2 Personal Enrichment: Students show evidence of becoming life-long learners by using the language for personal enjoyment and enrichment.		
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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