### Alignment to Massachusetts World Languages Curriculum Framework

#### **Voces®** *Notre histoire* 4 ~ Unit 1

Voces *Notre histoire* Level 4 is an interactive French Comprehensible Input (CI) curriculum with proficiency-based materials for intermediate-level learners. Level 4 will take your middle or high school students from a beginning Intermediate-Low level of proficiency to a high Intermediate-Low level of proficiency and beyond.

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. *Notre histoire* offers digital learning opportunities for French classes on a data-driven, interactive, and easy-to-use platform.

This document illustrates how the first unit in *Notre histoire* Level 4 aligns to the Massachusetts World Languages Curriculum Framework. If you have any questions, call 1-800-848-0256 or email info@vocesdigital.com.

### Unité 1 : En quoi est-ce que tu crois ?

### **Communication Standards**

1. Interpretive Communication: Students will be able to understand, interpret, and analyze what is heard, read, or viewed on a variety of topics.

Section	Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
Encore! Encore!	Articles : Le mariage au	Reading	I can understand an
	Sénégal		article about marriage
			customs in Senegal.
Encore! Encore!	Articles : Le voile islamique	Reading	I can understand some
	en France		of the history and
			controversy surrounding
			laws governing Islamic
			headdress in France.
Petite histoire 2 : Une	Interpretive Reading: Les	Reading	I can read an article
nouvelle vision du monde	missions de Madel		about someone who
			participated in
			humanitarian missions
			to Benin.
Petite histoire 1 : Les	Activité 1 : Qui aurait pu le	Reading	I can understand a story
idées préconçues d'Anne-	dire?		about a girl from Paris
Sophie			who visits a small
			village.
Petite histoire 2 : Une	Activité 1 : Qu'est-ce que ça	Reading	I can understand a story
nouvelle vision du monde			about bridging cultural

	veut dire ?		gaps.
Petite histoire 3 : Aimer ce qu'on fait	Activité 1 : Vrai ou faux ?	Reading	I can understand a story about a French- Canadian Paralympic athlete.
Longue histoire : Les convictions personnelles de Gabriel	Activité 1 : Complète la phrase	Reading	I can understand a story about a student's reflection on his personal beliefs.
Biographie	Activité 1 : Ordre chronologique	Reading	I can read a biography.
Petite histoire 1 : Les idées préconçues d'Anne-Sophie	Interpretive Listening: À la découverte d'Uzès	Listening	I can understand a video about a guided tour of Uzès, France.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpretive Reading	Reading	I can understand an article about the basketball player Chantal Benoît who had enormous success in the Paralympic Games.

2. Interpersonal Communication: Students will be able to interact and negotiate meaning in spontaneous spoken, signed, or written conversations to share information, reactions, feelings, and opinions.

Section	Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
Petite histoire 2 : Une	Interpersonal Speaking:	Speaking	I can have a
nouvelle vision du monde	Mon voyage humanitaire		conversation with a
			friend about a
			humanitarian mission
			trip I participated in.
Encore! Encore!	Le monde en photos : Une	Speaking	I can talk about a church
	église haïtienne		in Haiti.
Encore! Encore!	Le monde en photos : La	Speaking	I can talk about a ritual
	tribu Batwa		practiced by a tribe in
			Rwanda.
Petite histoire 1 : Les	Interpersonal Writing:	Writing	I can write a reply to an
idées préconçues d'Anne-	Comment ça va à Uzès ?		email from a friend who
Sophie			wants to know about my
			vacation in Uzès,
			France.

Integrated Performance	Interpersonal Speaking	Speaking	I can have a
Assessment			conversation about how
			I can encourage a friend
			with a disability.

3. Presentational Communication: Students will be able to present information, concepts, and ideas through written, spoken, or signed language to inform, explain, persuade and narrate on a variety of topics using appropriate media and adapting to various audiences of listeners, readers, or viewers.

Title	Mode	Can-Do/Description
Presentational Speaking:	Speaking	I can record an oral
Mes convictions		presentation for my
personnelles		philosophy class about
		my worldview and
		personal convictions.
Interviews : Qui es-tu ?	Speaking	I can talk about my
		beliefs and someone
		who has different beliefs
		than I do.
Presentational Writing: La	Writing	I can write a blog post
Journée internationale des		about Chantal Benoît for
personnes handicapées		the International Day of
		Persons with Disabilities
		and give encouragement
		to people with
		disabilities.
Mon histoire originale!	Writing	I can write an original
	_	story.
Raconte-nous une histoire	Speaking	I can tell an original
originale		story.
Presentational Writing	Writing	I can write a message of
		encouragement to a
		friend with a disability.
	Presentational Speaking:  Mes convictions personnelles  Interviews: Qui es-tu?  Presentational Writing: La Journée internationale des personnes handicapées  Mon histoire originale!  Raconte-nous une histoire originale	Presentational Speaking:  Mes convictions personnelles  Interviews: Qui es-tu? Speaking  Presentational Writing: La Journée internationale des personnes handicapées  Mon histoire originale! Writing  Raconte-nous une histoire originale  Speaking

## 4. Intercultural Communication: Students will be able to interact appropriately with others in and from another culture.

Section	Title	
Petite histoire 1 : Les	Activité 6 : Quelle est la différence ? (version	Students compare a
idées préconçues d'Anne-	alternative)	character's opinion of a
Sophie		different culture before
		and after the character

		meets someone from
		that culture
Encore! Encore!	Interviews : Qui es-tu ?	I can investigate
		products and
		perspectives in my own
		and other communities.
Encore! Encore!	Panorama : La basilique Notre-Dame-des-	I can make comparisons
	Miracles	between cultural
		products and practices to
		help understand
		perspectives using a
		variety of complex
		sentences connected
		with transitions.
Encore! Encore!	Le monde en photos : Une église haïtienne	I can compare a church
		in Haiti to a place of
		worship where I live.
Encore! Encore!	Le monde en photos : La tribu Batwa	I can talk about a ritual
		practiced by people in

## **Linguistic Cultures Standards**

## 5. Cultures: Students will be able to gain cultural competence and understanding.

Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
Petite histoire 1 : Les	Les idées préconçues d'Anne-Sophie	Students learn about and
idées préconçues d'Anne-		compare the opinions
Sophie		that people from
		different regions of
		France have of each
		other
Petite histoire 2 : Une	Une nouvelle vision du monde	Students see how a
nouvelle vision du monde		humanitarian
		organization can benefit
		from learning about the
		culture of a community
		where they work
Encore! Encore!	Articles : Le voile islamique en France	Students learn about the
		history behind the
		banning of Islamic
		coverings in France
		while also learning

	about the experiences of
	French Muslim girls and
	women

# 6. Comparisons: Students will be able to develop insight into the nature of language and culture to interact with cultural competence.

Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
Petite histoire 1 : Les	Note de grammaire	Review of all the tenses
idées préconçues d'Anne-		
Sophie		
Petite histoire 1 : Les	Note de grammaire	Le passé du subjonctif
idées préconçues d'Anne-		
Sophie		
Petite histoire 3 : Aimer	Note de grammaire	L'accord du participe
ce qu'on fait		passé avec le COD
Petite histoire 2 : Une	Une nouvelle vision du monde	Investigation of the
nouvelle vision du monde		Beninese voodoo
		religion and celebrations
Encore! Encore!	Articles : Le mariage au Sénégal	Investigation of customs
		regarding marriage in
		Senegal
Encore! Encore!	Panorama : La basilique Notre-Dame-des-	Observation of cultural
	Miracles	symbols, products, and
		practices inside a French
		church

## **Lifelong Learning Standards**

7. Connections: Students will be able to connect with other disciplines and acquire information and diverse perspectives to use the language to function in academic and career-related situations.

Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
Biographie	Alfred Dreyfus	Students read a
		biography of a
		prominent historical
		figure in the
		francophone world
Longue histoire : Les	Activité 4 : À ton tour	Students write an essay
convictions personnelles		about their personal
de Gabriel		beliefs based on an
		assignment that a
		character in the story did
		for his philosophy class

8. Communities: Students will be able to interact and communicate with intercultural competence and confidence to engage and responsibly collaborate with a variety of multilingual communities at home and around the world.

Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
Encore! Encore!	Interviews : Qui es-tu ?	Explaining a personal
		belief and talking about
		ways to communicate
		with someone whose
		personal beliefs differ
Can-Do Checklist		Setting personal
		language goals, self-
		assessment on Can-Do
		statements, and unit
		reflection
Integrated Performance	Can-Do Self-Assessment	Self-assessment on IPA
Assessment		Can-Do statements

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