Alignment to North Carolina's World Language Essential Standards Voces® Unsere Geschichten ~ Stufe 3 ~ Einheit 1

Unsere Geschichten, Stufe 3 is an interactive German 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 German curriculum. Unsere Geschichten, Stufe 3 will take your students through a Novice-High 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 *Unsere Geschichten, Stufe 3* aligns to North Carolina's World Language Essential Standards. If you have any questions, call 1-800-848-0256 or email info@vocesdigital.com.

Einheit 1: Was ist Kunst?

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
Kurzgeschichte 2: Was ist eigentlich schön im Alltag?	Interpersonal Speaking: <i>Im Museum</i>	Speaking	I can talk about a famous art museum in Berlin.
Kurzgeschichte 3: Städte der Zukunft: Grün statt Grau	Interpersonal Writing: SMS aus Deutschland	Writing	I can communicate what I like about Austria and what it might be like to study abroad in Vienna.
Extra! Extra!	Die Welt in Fotos: Berliner Pfannkuchen	Speaking	I can compare and contrast American donuts and German donuts. I can talk about famous German donuts and traditions associated with them in the German-speaking world.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpersonal Speaking	Speaking	I can talk about art and my favorite artists and art movements.

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
Kurzgeschichte 1: Ein Besuch im Museum der Illusionen	Aktivität 1: Was stimmt?	Reading	I can read a story about the Museum of Illusions in Vienna.
Kurzgeschichte 1: Ein Besuch im Museum der Illusionen	Interpretive Reading: Museumsbesuche	Reading	I can understand an infographic about museums in Germany.
Kurzgeschichte 2: Was ist eigentlich schön im Alltag?	Aktivität 1: Antworten wählen	Reading	I can read a story about a journalist in Dusseldorf.
Kurzgeschichte 3: Städte der Zukunft: Grün statt Grau	Aktivität 1: Sätze ergänzen	Reading	I can read a story about the green cities of the future.
Kurzgeschichte 3: Städte der Zukunft: Grün statt Grau	Aktivität 2: Fragen beantworten	Reading	I can understand questions for a story about green cities of the future.
Geschichte: Kühe für die Kunst	Aktivität 1: Welche Aussage stimmt?	Reading	I can read a story about a student from Ohio going to study abroad in Austria.
Geschichte: Kühe für die Kunst	Interpretive Listening: Der Künstler Gustav Klimt	Listening	I can understand a video about the famous artist Gustav Klimt.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Interpretive Reading	Reading	I can read the website of an art museum in Vienna.

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
Kurzgeschichte 1: Ein	Aktivität 3: Deine Perspektive	Speaking	I can talk about seeing a
Besuch im Museum der	wechseln		picture from a different
Illusionen			perspective.
Kurzgeschichte 1: Ein	Presentational Speaking: Das	Speaking	I can talk about the
Besuch im Museum der	Belvedere und Hundertwasser		unique museums and
Illusionen			architecture in Vienna.
Kurzgeschichte 2: Was	Aktivität 3: Einen Aufsatz	Writing	I can write about what I
ist eigentlich schön im	schreiben		find beautiful in
Alltag?			everyday life.

Kurzgeschichte 3: Städte der Zukunft: Grün statt Grau	Aktivität 3: Einen Aufsatz schreiben	Writing	I can write about the importance of green cities and how to make a city more green.
Geschichte: Kühe für die Kunst	Aktivität 3: Erzähl die Geschichte!	Speaking	I can tell a story about a student from Ohio going to study abroad in Austria.
Geschichte: Kühe für die Kunst	Presentational Writing: Leben in Österreich	Writing	I can write about Viennese architecture and the Art Nouveau period.
Extra! Extra!	Das Interview: Wer bist du?	Speaking	I can talk about icons in my own community.
Extra! Extra!	Das Panorama: Rothenburger Schmiedgasse	Writing	I can write about a famous medieval German city.
Rückblick und Beurteilung	Meine originelle Geschichte!	Writing	I can write an original story.
Rückblick und Beurteilung	Erzähle uns eine originelle Geschichte!	Speaking	I can tell an original story.
Integrated Performance Assessment	Presentational Writing	Writing	I can write about art and compare and contrast different works of art.

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
Kurzgeschichte 1: Ein	Interpretive Reading: Museumsbesuche	I can understand an infographic
Besuch im Museum der		about museums in Germany.
Illusionen		
Kurzgeschichte 2: Was	Interpersonal Speaking: Im Museum	I can talk about a famous art
ist eigentlich schön im		museum in Berlin.
Alltag?		
Geschichte: Kühe für	Presentational Writing: Leben in	I can write about Viennese
die Kunst	Österreich	architecture and the Art Nouveau
		period.
Extra! Extra!	Das Interview: Wer bist du?	I can investigate products and
		perspectives in my own and
		other communities.
Extra! Extra!	Die Welt in Fotos: Berliner Pfannkuchen	I can compare and contrast
		American donuts and German

donuts.	
I can talk about far	nous German
donuts and tradition	ns associated
with them in the G	erman-
speaking world.	

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
Kurzgeschichte 1: Ein	Wichtiges Vokabular	Story vocabulary
Besuch im Museum der	Story Script	
Illusionen		
Kurzgeschichte 2: Was	Wichtiges Vokabular	Story vocabulary
ist eigentlich schön im	Story Script	
Alltag?		
Kurzgeschichte 3:	Wichtiges Vokabular	Story vocabulary
Städte der Zukunft:	Story Script	
Grün statt Grau		
Geschichte: Kühe für	Grammatik-Tipp!: Relative Pronouns	Relative Pronouns
die Kunst		
Geschichte: Kühe für	Presentational Writing: Leben in	I can write about Viennese
die Kunst	Österreich	architecture and the Art Nouveau
		period.
Geschichte: Kühe für	Interpretive Listening: Der Künstler	I can understand a video about
die Kunst	Gustav Klimt	the famous artist Gustav Klimt.
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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 st	uccess in the 21st Century need to access know	ledge and information from other
communities, and use th	at information to function well with people fro	m diverse backgrounds.
Section	Title	Can-Do/Description
In meiner Lebenswelt		I can use the German language
		both within and beyond my
		classroom to interact and
		collaborate in my community and
		the globalized world.

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