Core standards ORLD LANGELAGES

The Utah State Board of Education, in January of 1984, established policy requiring the identification of specific core standards to be met by all K–12 students in order to graduate from Utah's secondary schools. The Utah State Board of Education regularly updates the Utah Core Standards, while parents, teachers, and local school boards continue to control the curriculum choices that reflect local values.

The Utah Core Standards are aligned to scientifically based content standards. They drive high quality instruction through statewide comprehensive expectations for all students. The standards outline essential knowledge, concepts, and skills to be mastered at each grade level or within a critical content area. The standards provide a foundation for ensuring learning within the classroom.



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UTAH WORLD LANGUAGES CORE STANDARDS FOR PROFICIENCY GRADES 1-12

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• What is the *Utah World Languages Core Standards for Proficiency*?

The *Utah World Languages Core Standards for Proficiency* are a description of the competencies a Utah world language learner should demonstrate at three of five proficiency levels as defined in the *2012 American Council for the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) Proficiency Guidelines*. These guidelines are a description of what individuals can do at five levels of proficiency in speaking, writing, listening, and reading. They imply spontaneous and non-rehearsed performance in a real-world context. The three proficiency levels used for this document, novice through advanced, are further subdivided into low, mid and high sublevels.

The ACTFL Proficiency Pyramid Distinguished Distinguished Can reflect on a wide range of global issues and highly abstract Superior concepts in a culturally appropriate manner. Advanced High Satisfy most work Superior requirements **Advanced Mid** Can support opinions, hypothesize, Advanced Low discuss abstract topics, and handle a **Survival proficiency** linguistically unfamiliar situation. Intermediate High Survive and cope in country Advanced Basic core of the language based Can narrate and describe in past, present, Intermediate on frequency studies M id and future time/aspect, and handle a complicated situation or transaction. itermediate Low Survive and cope in country NH Intermediate 1. Ask and answer questions dealing with NM everyday situations. Can create with language, ask and answer Give and get information and directions. simple questions on familiar topics, and handle Participate in casual conversations a simple situation or transaction. Give basic information about yourself, your family, or associates. Avoid basic cultural errors. Novice Have operational language skills. No spoken language communication skills in Novice Low, Mid, No functional ability; speech limited to and High memorized material.

• Given the changing role of world languages in the 21st century global economy, what is the rationale for revising the 2009 Utah World Languages Core?

This proficiency approach to learning languages prepares students to be college and career ready and builds state and national language capacity to improve economic competitiveness and strengthen national defense strategies. Equally, it answers the growing need for the critical skills of language and cultural competencies for relationship building—a keystone for success in global business and diverse social environments.

It is the responsibility of the state's educational system to prepare students to compete in an increasingly international job market and to live in an increasingly diverse world. Foreign investment and international trade in Utah have grown dramatically in recent years. Foreign visitors are equally important to the state's tourism industry. All are significant and vital parts of the state economy.

Demonstrating proficiency in a language other than English has potential benefits to learners. Career and technical education programs provide opportunities for learners to obtain industry-recognized certificates that document their skill attainment. Language proficiency can also be documented through a variety of nationally recognized assessments and used in portfolios for potential employment. Military careers now require officers to have second language proficiency and offer incentive pay to recruits and Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) members. Additionally, candidates with world language proficiency are highly recruited for career opportunities in agriculture, health care, law enforcement, and business.

The rationale for the creation of this document stems from the need to provide a more transparent, learner-friendly document that clearly describes benchmarks of what learners can do with language at various stages. Its intent is to recognize that everyone can learn a language, to motivate learning and increase achievement through goal setting and self-assessment, and to facilitate building functional language skills and interculturality. The standard, benchmarks, indicators and targets are meant to guide learning and should be shared with learners and made available to parents and other stakeholders.

• What is the purpose of the *Utah World Languages Core Standards for Proficiency*?

In general, the purpose is to clarify the process of language learning. The standard document helps motivate learning by showing how to set achievable goals, self-assess and chart progress by using "I can" statements that facilitate this process. Learners thus take ownership of their individual language development. The standard document guides the facilitation of language learning toward more functional, communicative and intercultural goals, rather than those of language structure and cultural fact. It provides examples of learning targets that can be used regardless of age, class level, or content studied. By posting or citing daily learning targets and celebrating success, teachers can model behavior that leads students to become autonomous learners. This document provides a clearer understanding of what learners need to know and be able to do to move from one level to the next.

For learners, the purpose is to:

- 1. demystify language learning by simplifying and clarifying the process.
- 2. provide clear descriptions of what can be done with language at various levels and make expectations more realistic.
- 3. offer examples of small, incremental, and achievable goals that learners can use as models to set personal goals, self-assess, and chart their own progress.

For teachers, the purpose is to:

- 1. guide facilitation of language learning toward more functional, communicative and intercultural goals, rather than those of language structure and cultural fact.
- 2. provide examples of learning targets that can be used across ages, class levels, or content studied.
- 3. suggest learning experiences, scenarios, and integrated performance assessment tasks.
- 4. provide a cross-check for ensuring that each mode of communication and skill is addressed at each level.
- 5. clarify what learners need to be able to do in order to move from one level to the next.

For parents, administrators, and other stakeholders, the purpose is to:

- 1. demonstrate how world language learning has moved from a focus on grammar and translation toward effective communication, literacy, and cultural interaction.
- 2. demonstrate how the shift has occurred in classical languages from decoding and translation to interpretive reading proficiency.
- 3. define exactly what is expected of learners at different levels of proficiency.
- 4. emphasize real-world application for language use.

• Why does the *Utah World Languages Core Standards for Proficiency* apply to all learners regardless of grade level?

Learners begin new language experiences at different ages and progress toward proficiency at different rates. The amount of quality time spent in the target language (i.e., dual language immersion vs. high school level I) is a determining factor in the proficiency level that learners will reach. Learners at similar ages frequently demonstrate varying proficiency levels in all three modes of communication when assessed. The *Utah World Languages Core Standard for Proficiency* outlines the progression of learner skills, making it easier for teachers to identify a learner's skill level and to differentiate learning for all learners.

How does the Utah World Languages Core Standards for Proficiency apply to heritage speakers?

Learners bring a variety of languages and cultures to Utah. They may have learned a language at home, in another country, or through local communities. Some may decide to pursue the study of their native language, while others may decide to study a different language. When heritage speakers choose to continue their native language, differentiated learning must take place to meet their needs.

When determining the placement of heritage speakers in language courses, consideration should be given to proficiency levels rather than seat time. Within language courses, the performance indicators allow teachers to set class goals while allowing learners to modify them to meet their own personal learning goals. Heritage speakers may demonstrate varying levels of proficiency across the three modes of communication: interpersonal, interpretive and presentational. For example, they may perform at a higher level of proficiency in the interpersonal mode than in the presentational mode. The benchmarks and indicators identify the learner's skill and modify the learning experience to meet the learner's needs. When possible, specially designed language courses for heritage speakers are optimal.

• How does the Utah World Languages Core Standards for Proficiency align with the new Utah Core Standards?

"The *Utah Core Standards for English Language Arts (ELA) and Literacy in Social Studies and Science* contains four strands: Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening, and Language.

These four strands are represented in the *National Standards for Learning Languages* by the Communication standards (interpersonal, interpretive, and presentational) and the level of proficiency demonstrated. In addition, the standards of the other four goals areas for learning languages – Cultures, Connections, Comparisons, and Communities – also support and are aligned with the Utah Core. These standards describe the expectations to ensure all students are college-, career-, and world-ready.

The Utah Core strands of Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening are captured in the standards for learning languages' goal area of Communication, by emphasizing the purpose behind the communication:

- Interpersonal (speaking + listening or writing + reading)
- Interpretive (reading, listening, viewing)
- Presentational (writing, speaking, visually representing)" (www. actf.org)

For more information go to

http://www.actfl.org/sites/default/files/pdfs/Aligning_CCSS_Language_Standards_v6.pdf

• How are the *Utah World Languages Core Standards for Proficiency* organized?

STANDARD: Every learner will use a world language, in addition to English, to engage in meaningful, intercultural communication, understand and interpret the spoken and written language, and present information, concepts and ideas in local and global communities. Through learning the language, they will gain an understanding of the perspectives of other cultures and compare the language and cultures learned with their own.

Summary of Standards for Foreign Language Learning in the 21st Century

The content of the *Utah World Languages Core Standards for Proficiency* is organized according to the national standards, blending the two focus goal areas of Communication and Cultures into one standard. The remaining goals of Connections, Comparisons, and Communities are embedded within Communication and Cultures.

The language competencies are:

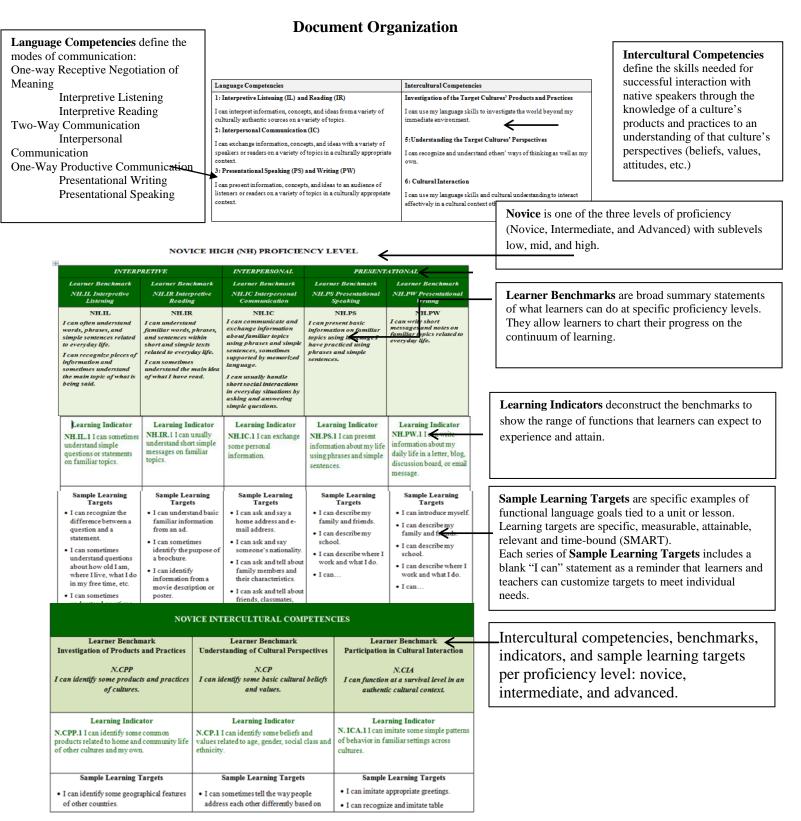
- interpretive listening and reading,
- interpersonal communication, and
- presentational speaking and writing.



The intercultural competencies are:

- investigation of cultures' products and practices
- understanding of cultures' perspectives (ways of thinking), and
- interaction, bridging one's own and the other's culture.





Numbers and Letters: NH.IR.1 = Novice-High, Interpretive Reading, Indicator

• How will the *Utah World Languages Core Standards for Proficiency* be used?

Districts, schools, programs, and independent learners will

- create long-range program proficiency goals reflective of a shared vision.
- identify proficiency benchmarks for assessment at designated intervals.
- develop a backward-design plan to support learners in meeting identified proficiency benchmarks.

• How will teachers use the *Utah World Languages Core Standards for Proficiency* to plan?

In order to make the best use of this document, teachers will apply the principles of backward design to curriculum, unit, and lesson planning. The premise of backward design consists of three stages:

- 1. identify the desired results;
- 2. determine what evidence demonstrates that learners have achieved those results; and then
- 3. plan learning experiences that match. (Wiggins and McTighe).

The desired results are defined as the learning benchmarks (general) and the learning indicators (specific). Learners demonstrate proficiencies through Integrated Performance Assessments (IPA's).

As teachers implement the document they use the

- standard as the mission and vision that drives all language-learning decisions.
- *core competency* "I can" statements to ensure that all elements of language learning and interculturality are appropriately balanced.
- *benchmar*k statements to establish the expectations for learner performance at the identified proficiency level.
- *learning indicators* to identify measurable, attainable goals.
- *sample learning targets* as examples of real-world contexts that can facilitate and motivate language learning.

• Why and how do teachers and learners address intercultural competencies?

The need for language competence in a global society touches every sector of life. From career preparation in an international workforce to citizen diplomacy and national defense to one's role in a social or virtual community, communication across cultures is key. Learners today must have the language proficiency to communicate with global audiences, the insight into the cultural perspectives that shape those audiences, and the ability to behave appropriately in a variety of cultural contexts. The series of can-do statements organized around the language proficiency levels (2012 ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines) guides learners in their development of such linguistic and intercultural competencies.

Intercultural competence, therefore, is the demonstration of interaction between the use of language skills and cultural knowledge. The ACTFL *Standards for Foreign Language Learning in the 21st Century* highlights the need for learners to understand the relationship between a culture's perspectives and its products and practices. A culture's perspectives reflect the values, beliefs and attitudes of its people. Through contact with products (i.e., monuments, laws, music, etc.) developed by a culture and practices (eating habits, shopping behaviors, use of space, etc.) demonstrated by its people, we come to understand the perspectives (i.e., values, attitudes, beliefs, etc.) of a people.

Demonstrating intercultural competence requires both the ability to use the language and to behave appropriately in cultural contexts. This may be particularly challenging for learners in the early stages of language learning who may not have the linguistic skill to address cultural perspectives in the language of study. It is the responsibility of all

those who facilitate language learning - be they teachers in Dual Language Immersion in the Elementary School (DLI) or secondary middle/jr. high school and high school, or virtual programs - to provide opportunities for learners to experience language and culture together. Learners and educators must recognize that language and culture are inseparable. This requires the near exclusive use of the language of study. Thus, as language proficiency grows, so will intercultural competence.

Just as the proficiency level can-do statements of novice, intermediate, advanced, and superior are cumulative in nature for language competencies, they are cumulative for intercultural competencies as well. Learners demonstrate evidence of novice-level competencies first, and then add evidence of intermediate-level competencies and so forth. They continually add to their repertoire as they move up the proficiency continuum, applying knowledge of products and practices before developing and applying an understanding of perspectives. The interaction of language and cultural competencies thus results in interculturality.

Unlike the language benchmarks and indicators, the interculturality can-do statements are not divided into low, mid, and high sublevels. Learners are expected to demonstrate the interculturality benchmarks when they have demonstrated the highest language proficiency sublevel. For example, learners who have demonstrated novice high language competencies should also be demonstrating the novice level interculturality competencies.

• How much language learning is enough?

The answer lies in one's purpose for learning language as indicated below in ACTFL's *Oral Proficiency Levels* in the Work World. This table is a synthesis of data collected from employers who describe their language proficiency requirements for specific jobs and professions.

Oral Proficiency Levels in the Work World

Proficiency Levels	Language Functions	Corresponding Jobs	Examples of Who is Likely to
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Distinguished	Ability to tailor language to specific audiences, persuade, & negotiate. Deal with nuance and subtlety	Diplomat, Contract Negotiator, International Specialist, Translator/Interpreter Intelligence Specialist	 Highly articulate, professionally specialized native speakers; L2 learners with extended (17 years) and current professional and/or educational experience in the target culture
Superior	Discuss topics extensively, support opinions, & hypothesize. Deal with linguistically unfamiliar situations	University FL Professor, Business Executive, Lawyer, Judge, Financial Advisor	 Well- educated native speakers Educated L2 learners with extended professional and/or educational experience in the target language environment
Advanced High	Narrate and describe in past, present, and future and deal effectively with an unanticipated complication.	Physician, Military Linguist, Senior Consultant, Human Resources Personnel, Financial Broker, Translation Officer,	- L2 learners with graduate degrees in language-related area and extended educational experience in the target environment

Proficiency Levels	Language Functions	Corresponding Jobs	Examples of Who is Likely to Function at the Level
Advanced Mid		Marketing Manager, Communications Consultant Account Executive, Court Stenographer, Court Interpreter,	- Heritage speakers, informal learners, non-academic
		Benefits Specialist, Technical Service Agent, Collection Representative, Estimating Coordinator	learners who have significant contact with language
Advanced Low		Customer Service Agent, Social Worker, Claims Processor, K-12 Language Teacher, Police Officer, Maintenance Administrator, Billing Clerk, Legal Secretary, Legal Receptionist	- Undergraduate language majors with year-long study abroad experience
Intermediate High	Create with language, initiate, maintain, and bring to a close simple conversations by asking and responding to simple questions.	Auto inspector, Aviation Personnel, Tour Guide	- Undergraduate language majors <i>without</i> year-long study abroad experience
Intermediate Mid		Cashier, Sales Clerk, Missionary (highly predictable contexts)	- L2 learners with 6-8 year sequences of study (AP, etc.) or 4-6 semester college sequence
Intermediate Low		Receptionist, Housekeeping Staff	- L2 learners with 4 year high school sequence or 2 semester college sequence
Novice High Novice Mid Novice Low	Communicate minimally with formulaic and rote utterances, lists, and phrases.	None	L2 learners after 2 years of high school study

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As indicated in the Oral Proficiency Levels in the Work World chart above, language preparation for career readiness necessitates higher levels of proficiency than established by current language requirements for high school graduation and college entrance.

• Are there multiple articulated language pathways?

THREE ARTICULATION PATHWAYS

Three articulation pathway models have been developed for implementation throughout the State of Utah and allow for entry at various points in the K-12 system: in elementary Dual Language Immersion, early Secondary and late Secondary language programs.

Elementary Dual Language Immersion Pathway

Students in the elementary immersion pathway enter in kindergarten or first grade and exit at sixth grade (in some instances fifth grade). A minimum of 50% of content curriculum is conducted in the target language daily. The elementary Dual Language Immersion pathway continues in early Secondary with three years of specialized content study where students are offered two courses per year, one in a content area and a second honors-level target language course. Students in ninth grade take the target language AP course and examination on exit. Dual Language Immersion pathway students entering high school are offered advanced-level target language courses equivalent to 3000 (300) level university courses. These courses will allow high school students to earn college credit towards a target language minor through articulation agreements with Utah university institutions. In addition, Dual Language Immersion students are encouraged to start the study of a third language in tenth grade.

Early Secondary Pathway

Students enter the early Secondary pathway in seventh grade (in some cases sixth grade) and are given one target language course per year for six years. Students take the target language AP course and examination in the eleventh or twelfth grade.

Late Secondary Pathway

Students enter the late secondary pathway in the ninth or tenth grade with one target language course per year for three to four years. Some accelerated students take the target language AP course and examination in twelfth grade.

STANDARD

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Through learning another language, they will gain an understanding of the perspectives of other cultures and compare the language and cultures learned with their own.

Summary of Standards for Foreign Language Learning in the 21st Century

CORE PERFORMANCE COMPETENCIES

Language Competencies	Intercultural Competencies
1. Interpretive Listening (IL) and Reading (IR)	4. Investigation of Cultural Products and Practices (CPP)
I can interpret information, concepts, and ideas from a variety of culturally authentic sources on a variety of topics.	I can use my language skills to investigate the world beyond my immediate environment.
2. Interpersonal Communication (IC)	5. Understanding of Cultural Perspectives (CP)
I can exchange information, concepts, and ideas with a variety of speakers or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	I can use my language skills to recognize and understand others' ways of thinking as well as my own.
3. Presentational Speaking (PS) and Writing (PW) I can present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	6. Participation in Cultural Interaction (CIA) I can use my language skills and cultural understanding to interact in a cultural context other than my own.

NOVICE LOW (NL) PROFICIENCY LEVEL

INTERI	PRETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark NL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NL.PW Presentational Writing
NL.IL I can recognize a few memorized words and phrases when I hear them spoken.	NL.IR I can recognize a few letters or characters. I can identify a few memorized words and phrases when I read.	NL.IC I can communicate on some very familiar topics using single words and phrases that I have practiced and memorized.	NL.PS I can present information about myself and some other very familiar topics using single words or memorized phrases.	NL.PW I can copy some familiar words or phrases.
Learning Indicator NL.IL.1 I can occasionally identify the sound of a character or a word.	Learning Indicator NL.IR.1 I can occasionally recognize a few letters or characters.	Learning Indicator NL.IC.1 I can greet my peers.	Learner Indicator NL.PS.1 I can recite words and phrases that I have learned.	Learning Indicator NL.PW.1 I can copy some characters or letters and words that I see on the wall or board, in a book, or on the computer.
Sample Learning Targets I can recognize the sound of a few letters when they are spoken or spelled out. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can alphabetize a few names or words. I can match a character in a headline to a supporting visual. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can say hello and goodbye. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can count from 1-10. I can say the date and the day of the week. I can list the months and seasons. I can	 Sample Learning Targets I can copy the letters of the alphabet. I can copy the characters that I am learning. I can copy a simple phrase like "Happy Birthday," "Happy

INTERI	PRETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark NL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NL.PW Presentational Writing
Learning Indicator NL.IL.2 I can occasionally understand isolated words that I have memorized, particularly when accompanied by	Learning Indicator NL.IR.2 I can connect some words, phrases or characters to their meanings.	Learning Indicator NL.IC.2 I can introduce myself to someone.	Learning Indicator NL.PS.2 I can state the names of familiar people, places, and objects in pictures and posters using words or memorized	Holidays," etc. I can Learning Indicator NL.PW.2 I can write words and phrases that I have learned.
Sample Learning Targets I can understand greetings. I can recognize some color words. I can understand some numbers. I can understand some food items. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can recognize some cities on a map. I can identify some menu items. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can tell someone my name. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can name famous landmarks and people. I can name countries on a map. I can list items I see every day. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can write my name, home address, and my e-mail address. I can write numbers such as my phone number. I can write the date and the day of the week. I can write the months and seasons. I can
		NL.IC.3 I can answer a few simple questions.	Learning Indicator NL.PS.3 I can introduce myself to a group.	Learning Indicator NL.PW.3 I can label familiar people, places, and objects in pictures and posters.

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Learner Benchmark NL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NL.PW Presentational Writing
		Sample Learning Targets I can respond to some yes/no questions. I can answer some either/or questions. I respond to some who, what, when, where questions. I can	 Sample Learning Targets I can state my name, age, and where I live. I can give my phone number, home address, and e-mail address. I can 	Sample Learning Targets I can label famous landmarks and people. I can write the names of countries on a map. I can list items I see every day. I can label items in a room. I can
			Learning Indicator NL.PS.4 I can recite short memorized phrases, parts of poems, and rhymes.	
			Sample Learning Targets I can sing a short song. I can recite a nursery rhyme. I can recite a simple poem.	

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Learner Benchmark	Learner Bench	nmark	Learner Benchmark	Lear	ner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark
NL.IL Interpretive Listening	NL.IR Interpo Reading		NL.IC Interpersonal Communication	NL.P.	S Presentational Speaking	NL.PW Presentational Writing
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	NOVICE INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCIES					
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	s and 1 factices	Under	standing of Cultural Perspe	ecuves	Parucipation	in Cultural Interaction
N.CPP I can identify some produ	ats and practices		N.CP			N.CIA
of cultures	-	I can i	dentify some basic cultural b and values.	ral beliefs I can function at a survival level in a authentic cultural context.		
Learning Indi	cator		Learning Indicator		Lear	ning Indicator
N.CPP.1 I can identify some common			can identify some beliefs an			tate some simple patterns of
products related to home and community life of other cultures and my own.		values re ethnicity	lated to age, gender, social cl	ass and	benavior in familia	r settings across cultures.
Sample Learning	Targets		Sample Learning Targets		Sample	Learning Targets
• I can identify some geog	raphical features	• I can	sometimes tell the way people	e	• I can imitate app	propriate greetings.
of other countries.	-	addre	ss each other differently base		• I can recognize	and imitate table manners.
• I can identify familiar lan	ndmarks.		nd social standing.		• I can sometimes	identify what is culturally
• I can recognize some trace popular songs.	litional and		sometimes recognize that priate dress is determined by	cultural		ay when gift-giving in ons, such as askit

 I can recognize some similarities and differences between the designs of houses, buildings, or towns. I can identify specific locations to have a meal, purchase a ticket, or buy something that I need. I can recognize some similarities and differences between my daily schedule and that of a peer in another culture. I can 	 traditions. I can recognize that gender and age can determine one's role in a family, school, and the workplace. I can 	 a birthday party, New Year's, a wedding, etc. I can recognize and imitate culturally appropriate behavior in a restaurant or other public place. I can
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator
N.CPP.2 I can identify some common practices related to home and community life of other cultures and my own.	N. CP.2 I can identify some characteristics of national identity.	N.CIA.2 I can use memorized language and very basic cultural knowledge to interact with others.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can identify some common habits of eating in other cultures. I can identify some habits of dress in other cultures. I can express the time and date as locals do. I can sometimes use the appropriate holiday greeting. I can 	 I can identify some elements of geography that define a nation. I can identify symbols that represent a nation. I can identify the importance of some historical events through their celebration on national holidays and monuments. I can identify major religions of a nation. I can 	 I can sometimes ask and answer questions or make simple comments in a familiar cultural context such as a family event or a social event with peers. I can understand and mention a general cultural reference, such as a song or movie title, author or composer, in a conversation. I can play a simple board or card game with friends. I can

Learning Indicator N.CP.3 I can identify ways in which cultures are globalized.	Learning Indicator N.CIA.3 I can use memorized language, and very basic cultural knowledge to accomplish simple, routine tasks.
Sample Learning Targets • I can identify some similar leisure	Sample Learning Targets • I can use a city map, GPS, or signs to help
 activities across cultures. I can identify some similar forms of dress across cultures. 	me find my way.I can recognize and imitate how people count and use money in order to make a
I can identify common dining establishments across cultures.	purchase. • I can follow a team's win-loss record from a
 I can identify examples of common technology use across cultures. I can 	Web site. • I can

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Language Competencies	Intercultural Competencies
1. Interpretive Listening (IL) and Reading (IR)	4. Investigation of Cultural Products and Practices (CPP)
I can interpret information, concepts, and ideas from a variety of culturally authentic sources on a variety of topics.	I can use my language skills to investigate the world beyond my immediate environment.
2. Interpersonal Communication (IC)	5. Understanding of Cultural Perspectives (CP)
I can exchange information, concepts, and ideas with a variety of speakers or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	I can use my language skills to recognize and understand others' ways of thinking as well as my own.
	6. Participation in Cultural Interaction (CIA)
3. Presentational Speaking (PS) and Writing (PW)	I can use my language skills and cultural understanding to interact in a
I can present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of	cultural context other than my own.
listeners or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate	
context.	

NOVICE MID (NM) PROFICIENCY LEVEL

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark NM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NM.PW Presentational Writing
NM.IL I can recognize some familiar words and	NM.IR I can recognize some	NM.IC I can communicate on very familiar topics using	NM.PS I can present information about myself	NM.PW I can write lists and memorized phrases on

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Learner Benchmark NM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NM.PW Presentational Writing
phrases when I hear them spoken.	letters or characters. I can understand some learned or memorized words and phrases when I read.	a variety of words and phrases that I have practiced and memorized.	and some other very familiar topics using a variety of words, phrases, and memorized expressions.	familiar topics.
Learning Indicator NM.IL.1 I can understand a few courtesy phrases.	NM.IR.1 I can recognize words and phrases and characters with the help of visuals.	NM.IC.1 I can greet and leave people in a polite way.	NM.PS.1 I can present information about myself and others using words and phrases.	NM.PW.1 I can fill out a simple form with some basic personal information.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can understand greetings. I can understand when people express thanks. I can understand when people introduce themselves. I can understand when someone asks for a name. 	 I can recognize entrance and exit signs. I can identify family member words on a family tree. I can identify the healthy nutritional categories. I can identify the simple labels on a science-related graph. 	 I can say hello and goodbye to someone my age or younger. I can say hello and goodbye to my teacher, professor, or supervisor. I can say hello to an adult. I can 	 I can say what I look like. I can say what I am like. I can say what someone looks like. I can say what someone is like. I can 	 I can fill out a form with my name, address, phone number, birth date, and nationality. I can complete a simple online form. I can fill out a simple schedule. I can

INTERF	PRETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESEN	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark NM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NM.PW Presentational Writing
• I can Learning Indicator NM.IL.2 I can recognize and sometimes understand basic information in words and phrases that I have memorized.	• I can Learning Indicator NM.IR.2 I can recognize words, phrases, and characters when I associate them with things I already know.	Learning Indicator NM.IC.2 I can introduce myself and others.	Learning Indicator NM.PS.2 I can express my likes and dislikes using words, phrases, and memorized expressions.	Learning Indicator NM.PW.2 I can write about myself using learned phrases and memorized expressions.
 Sample Learning Targets I can identify days of the week and the time. I can recognize a date. I can recognize some common weather expressions. I can 	 Sample Learning Targets I can check off words or phrases on a to-do list, grocery list or scavenger hunt list. I can identify labeled aisles in a supermarket. I can choose a restaurant from an online list of local eateries. 	Sample Learning Targets I can introduce myself and provide basic personal information. I can introduce someone else. I can respond to an introduction. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can say which sports I like and don't like. I can list my favorite free-time activities and those I don't like. I can state my favorite foods and drinks and those I don't like. I can	 Sample Learning Targets I can list my likes and dislikes such as favorite subjects, sports, or free-time activities. I can list my family members, their ages, their relationship to me, and what they like to do. I can list my classes and tell what time they start and end.
	• I can identify scores from sports teams			• I can write simple statements about where I

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Learning Indicator NM.IL.3 I can recognize and sometimes understand words and phrases that I have learned for specific purposes.	because I recognize team names and logos. I can identify artists, titles and music genres from iTunes. I can identify the names of classes and instructors in a school schedule. I can	Learning Indicator NM.IC.3 I can answer a variety of simple questions.	Learning Indicator NM.PS.3 I can present information about familiar items in my immediate environment.	Learning Indicator NM.PW.3 I can list my daily activities and write lists that help me in my day-to-day life.
Sample Learning Targets I can recognize the names of the planets in a science class. I can recognize the		Sample Learning Targets I can answer questions about what I like and dislike. I can answer questions	Sample Learning Targets I can tell about my house I can tell about my school or where I	 Sample Learning Targets I can label activities and their times in my daily schedule. I can write about what I do on the weekends.

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Learner Benchmark NM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NM.PW Presentational Writing
names of some parts of the body in a health class. • I can		 about what I am doing and what I did. I can answer questions about where I'm going or where I went. I can answer questions about something I have learned. I can 	work. I can tell about my room or office and what is in it. I can present basic information about my community, town/city, state or country. I can	 I can write a to-do list. I can write a shopping list. I can
		NM. IC. 4 I can make some simple statements in a conversation.	Learning Indicator NM.PS.4 I can tell about my daily activities using words, phrases, and memorized expressions.	Learning Indicator NM.W.4 I can write notes about something I have learned using lists, phrases, and memorized expressions.
		Sample Learning Targets I can tell someone what I am doing. I can say where I went. I can say whom I am	Sample Learning Targets I can list my classes and tell what time they start and end. I can name activities and their times in my	Sample Learning Targets I can list the main cities of a specific country. I can write the phrases and memorized expressions connected

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Learner Benchmark NM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NM.PW Presentational Writing
		going to see. I can express a positive reaction, such as "Great!" I can	schedule. I can tell what I do on the weekends. I can	with holiday wishes and celebrations in a specific country. • I can create a list of topics and categories using vocabulary I have learned. • I can write something I hear or have heard such as simple information in a phone message or a classroom activity. • I can
		Learning Indicator NM.IC.5 I can ask some simple questions. Sample Learning Targets • I can ask who, what,	Learning Indicator NM.PS.5 I can present simple information about something I learned using words, phrases, and memorized expressions. Sample Learning Targets • I can talk about	

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Learner Benchmark NM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NM.PW Presentational Writing
		 when, where questions. I can ask questions about something that I am learning. I can 	holiday celebrations based on pictures or photos. I can name the main cities on a map. I can talk about animals, colors, foods, historical figures, or sports based on pictures or photos. I can	
		Learning Indicator NM.IC.6 I can communicate basic information about myself and people I know.		
		Sample Learning Targets I can say my name and ask someone's name. I can say or write something about the members of my family		

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Learner Benchmark NM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NM.PW Presentational Writing
		and ask about someone's family.I can say or write something about friends and classmates or co-workers.		
		• I can NM.IC.7 I can communicate some basic information about my everyday life.		
		 Sample Learning Targets I can give times, dates and weather information. I can tell about what I eat, learn, and do. 		
		 I can tell about places I know. I can ask and understand how much something costs. 		

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Learner Benchmark NM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NM.PW Presentational Writing
		 I can tell someone the time and location of a community event. I can 		

NOVICE INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCIES				
Learner Benchmark Investigation of Products and Practices N.CPP I can identify some products and practices of cultures.	Learner Benchmark Understanding of Cultural Perspectives N.CP I can identify some basic cultural beliefs and values.	Learner Benchmark Participation in Cultural Interaction N.CIA I can function at a survival level in an authentic cultural context.		
Learning Indicator N.CPP.1 I can identify some common products related to home and community life of other cultures and my own.	Learning Indicator N.CP.1 I can identify some beliefs and values related to age, gender, social class and ethnicity.	Learning Indicator N. CIA.1 I can imitate some simple patterns of behavior in familiar settings across cultures.		
 Sample Learning Targets I can identify some geographical features of other countries. I can identify familiar landmarks. I can recognize some traditional and popular songs. I can recognize some similarities and differences between the designs of houses, buildings, or towns. I can identify specific locations to have a meal, purchase a ticket, or buy something 	 Sample Learning Targets I can sometimes tell the way people address each other differently based on age and social standing. I can sometimes recognize that appropriate dress is determined by cultural traditions. I can recognize that gender and age can determine one's role in a family, school, and the workplace. I can 	 Sample Learning Targets I can imitate appropriate greetings. I can recognize and imitate table manners. I can sometimes identify what is culturally appropriate to say when gift-giving in situations, such as at a birthday party, New Year's, a wedding, etc. I can recognize and imitate culturally appropriate behavior in a restaurant or other public place. 		

 that I need. I can recognize some similarities and differences between my daily schedule and that of a peer in another culture. I can 		• I can
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator
N.CPP.2 I can identify some common practices related to home and community life of other cultures and my own.	N.CP.2 I can identify some characteristics of national identity.	N.CIA.2 I can use memorized language and very basic cultural knowledge to interact with others.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can identify some common eating habits in other cultures. I can identify what people wear for certain occasions. I can express the time and date as locals do. I can use appropriate greetings for some holidays. I can 	 I can identify some elements of geography that define a nation. I can identify symbols that represent a nation. I can identify the importance of some historical events through their celebration on national holidays and monuments. I can identify major religions of a nation. I can 	 I can sometimes ask and answer questions or make simple comments in a familiar cultural context such a family event or a social event with peers. I can understand and mention a general cultural reference, such as a song or movie title, author or composer, in a conversation. I can play a simple board or card game with friends. I can
	Learning Indicator N.CP.3 I can identify ways in which cultures are globalized.	Learning Indicator N.CIA.3 I can use memorized language, and very basic knowledge of the culture to accomplish simple, routine tasks.
	Sample Learning Targets • I can identify some similar leisure	Sample Learning Targets • I can use a city map, GPS, or signs to

activities across cultures.	help me find my way.
 I can identify some similar forms of dress across cultures. I can identify common fast food restaurants across cultures. I can identify examples of common technology use across cultures. 	 I can recognize and imitate how people count and use money in order to make a purchase. I can follow a team's win-loss record from a Web site. I can
• I can	

CORE PERFORMANCE COMPETENCIES

Language Competencies	Intercultural Competencies
1. Interpretive Listening (IL) and Reading (IR)	4. Investigation of Cultural Products and Practices (CPP)
I can interpret information, concepts, and ideas from a variety of culturally authentic sources on a variety of topics.	I can use my language skills to investigate the world beyond my immediate environment.
2. Interpersonal Communication (IC)	5. Understanding of Cultural Perspectives (CP)
I can exchange information, concepts, and ideas with a variety of speakers or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	I can use my language skills to recognize and understand others' ways of thinking as well as my own.
	6. Participation in Cultural Interaction (CIA)
3. Presentational Speaking (PS) and Writing (PW)	I can use my language skills and cultural understanding to
I can present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of	interact in a cultural context other than my own.
listeners or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate	
context.	

NOVICE HIGH (NH) PROFICIENCY LEVEL

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark NH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NH.PW Presentational Writing
NH.IL I can often understand words, phrases, and simple sentences related to everyday life. I can recognize pieces of information and sometimes understand the main topic of what is being said.	NH.IR I can understand familiar words, phrases, and sentences within short and simple texts related to everyday life. I can sometimes understand the main idea of what I have read.	NH.IC I can communicate and exchange information about familiar topics using phrases and simple sentences, sometimes supported by memorized language. I can usually handle short social interactions in everyday situations by asking and answering simple questions.	NH.PS I can present basic information on familiar topics using language I have practiced using phrases and simple sentences.	NH.PW I can write short messages and notes on familiar topics related to everyday life.
Learning Indicator NH.IL.1 I can sometimes understand simple questions or statements on familiar topics.	Learning Indicator NH.IR.1 I can usually understand short simple messages on familiar topics.	Learning Indicator NH.IC.1 I can exchange some personal information.	Learning Indicator NH.PS.1 I can present information about my life using phrases and simple sentences.	Learning Indicator NH.PW.1 I can write information about my daily life in a letter, blog, discussion board, or email message.

INTERP	RETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	'ATIONAL
Learner Benchmark NH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NH.PW Presentational Writing
Sample Learning Targets I can recognize the difference between a question and a statement. I can sometimes understand questions about how old I am, where I live, what I do in my free time, etc. I can sometimes understand questions or statements about my family. I can sometimes understand questions or statements about my friends and classmates or workmates. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can understand basic familiar information from an ad. I can sometimes identify the purpose of a brochure. I can identify information from a movie description or poster. I can understand simple information in a text message from a friend. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can ask and say a home address and email address. I can ask and say someone's nationality. I can ask and tell about family members and their characteristics. I can ask and tell about friends, classmates, teachers and coworkers. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can describe my family and friends. I can describe my school. I can describe where I work and what I do. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can introduce myself. I can describe my family and friends. I can describe my school. I can describe where I work and what I do. I can
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator

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Learner Benchmark NH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NH.PW Presentational Writing
NH.IL.2 I can understand simple information when presented with pictures and graphs.	NH.IR.2 I can sometimes understand short, simple descriptions with the help of pictures or graphs.	NH.IC.2 I can exchange information using texts, graphs or pictures.	NH.PS.2 I can present a familiar experience or event in simple terms using phrases and simple sentences.	NH.PW.2 I can write short notes using phrases and simple sentences.
Sample Learning Targets I can understand some facts about the weather when weather symbols are used. I can understand when someone describes physical descriptions from a photo or an art work. I can follow simple arithmetic problems when I can see the figures. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can understand simple captions under photos. I can understand very basic information from a real estate ad. I can understand Web site descriptions of clothing items to make an appropriate purchase. I can identify the categories on a graph. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can ask about and identify familiar things in a picture from a story. I can ask about and identify important information about the weather using a map. I can ask and respond to simple questions about dates, times, places, and events on schedules, posters, and tickets. I can respond to simple questions based on	Sample Learning Targets I can tell what I do in class or at work. I can tell what I do during the weekend. I can tell what happens after school or work. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can write a postcard message. I can write a special occasion message such as a birthday or congratulatory note. I can write a short announcement, invitation, or thankyou note. I can

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Learner Benchmark NH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NH.PW Presentational Writing
		provide information containing numbers or statistics. • I can		
Learning Indicator NH.IL.3 I can sometimes understand the main idea of conversations that I overhear.	Learning Indicator NH.IR.3 I can sometimes understand the main idea of published materials.	Learning Indicator NH.IR.3 I can ask for and give simple directions.	Learning Indicator NH.PS.3 I can present information about a familiar person, place, or thing using phrases and simple sentences.	Learning Indicator NH.PW.3 I can write about a familiar experience or event using practiced material.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can sometimes understand if people are referring to me in their conversation. I can sometimes understand if people are talking about their homes or asking for directions. I can sometimes understand a simple transaction between a 	 I can distinguish a birthday card from a note expressing thanks. I can identify destinations and major attractions on a travel brochure. I can locate places on city maps. I can 	 I can ask for directions to a place. I can tell someone how to get from one place to another, such as go straight, turn left, or turn right. I can tell someone where something is located, such as next to, across from, or in 	 I can describe a useful Web site. I can talk about my favorite musical group, actor, or author. I can describe a landmark, vacation location, or a place I visit. I can talk about a famous person from 	 I can write what I do in class or at work. I can write what happens after school or during the weekend. I can write about a website, a field trip, or an activity that I participated in. I can

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL PRESENTATIONAL		TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark NH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NH.PW Presentational Writing
customer and a sales clerk. • I can		the middle of. • I can	history. • I can	
	NH.IR.4 I can understand simple everyday notices in public places on topics that are familiar to me.	NH.IC.4 I can make plans with others.	Learning Indicator NH.PS.4 I can present information about others using phrases and simple sentences.	NH.PW.4 I can write basic information about things I have learned.
	Sample Learning Targets I can understand a simple public transportation schedule. I can locate notices on where to park. I can understand notices that tell of street or metro closings. I can understand a store's hours of operation.	 Sample Learning Targets I can accept or reject an invitation to do something or go somewhere. I can invite and make plans with someone to do something or go somewhere. I can exchange information about where to go, such as to the store, the movie theatre, a concert, a 	Sample Learning Targets I can talk about others' likes and dislikes. I can talk about others' free-time activities. I can give basic biographical information about others. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can write up a simple process like a science experiment. I can write about a topic from a lesson using pictures or photos. I can write about something I learned online, in a class, at work, or in the community. I can

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark NH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NH.PW Presentational Writing
	 I can read the labels on a recycling bin. I can	restaurant, the lab, or when to meet. • I can		
		Learning Indicator NH.IC.5 I can interact with others in everyday situations.	Learning Indicator NH.PS.5 I can give basic instructions on how to make or do something using phrases and simple sentences.	Learning Indicator NH.PW.5 I can ask for information in writing.
		Sample Learning Targets I can order a meal. I can make a purchase. I can buy a ticket I can	Sample Learning Targets I can tell how to prepare something simple to eat. I can describe a simple routine, like getting lunch in the cafeteria. I can give simple directions to a nearby location or to an online resource. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can request resources like brochures, posted information I can request an appointment with a classmate, teacher, or colleague. I can request an application for a job, membership in a club, or admission to a

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Learner Benchmark NH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NH.PW Presentational Writing
				• I can
			NH.PS.6 I can present basic information about things I have learned using phrases and simple sentences.	
			 Sample Learning Targets I can describe a simple process like a science experiment. I can present information about a topic from a lesson based on pictures or photos. I can present information about something I learned in a class or at work I can present 	

INTERP	RETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	ATIONAL
Learner Benchmark NH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark NH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark NH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark NH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark NH.PW Presentational Writing
			information about something I learned in the community. • I can	

NOVICE INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCIES

Learner Benchmark Investigation of Products and Practices N.CPP I can identify some products and practices of cultures.	Learner Benchmark Understanding of Cultural Perspectives N.CP I can identify some basic cultural beliefs and values.	Learner Benchmark Participation in Cultural Interaction N.CIA I can function at a survival level in an authentic cultural context.
Learning Indicator N.CPP.1 I can identify some common products related to home and community life of other cultures and my own.	Learning Indicator N.CP.1 I can identify some beliefs and values related to age, gender, social class and ethnicity.	Learning Indicator N. ICA.1 I can imitate some simple patterns of behavior in familiar settings across cultures.
Sample Learning Targets • I can identify some geographical features of other countries.	• I can sometimes tell the way people address each other differently based on age and social standing.	 Sample Learning Targets I can imitate appropriate greetings. I can recognize and imitate table

 I can identify familiar landmarks. I can recognize some traditional and popular songs. I can recognize some similarities and differences between the designs of houses, buildings, or towns. I can identify specific locations to have a meal, purchase a ticket, or buy something that I need. I can recognize some similarities and differences between my daily schedule and that of a peer in another culture. I can 	 I can sometimes recognize that appropriate dress is determined by cultural traditions. I can recognize that gender and age can determine one's role in a family, school, and the workplace. I can 	 I can sometimes identify what is culturally appropriate to say when gift-giving in situations, such as at a birthday party, New Year's, a wedding, etc. I can recognize and imitate culturally appropriate behavior in a restaurant or other public place. I can
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator
N.CPP 2 I can identify some common practices related to home and community life of other cultures and my own.	N. CP. 2 I can identify some characteristics of national identity.	N.CIA.2 I can use memorized language and very basic cultural knowledge to interact with others.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can identify some common habits of eating in other cultures. I can identify some habits of dress in other cultures. I can express the time and date as locals do. I can sometimes use the appropriate holiday greeting. I can 	 I can identify some elements of geography that define a nation. I can identify symbols that represent a nation. I can identify the importance of some historical events through their celebration on national holidays and monuments. I can identify major religions of a nation. I can 	 I can sometimes ask and answer questions or make simple comments in a familiar cultural context such a family event or a social event with peers. I can understand and mention a general cultural reference, such as a song or movie title, author or composer, in a conversation. I can play a simple board or card game with friends.

	• I can
Learning Indicator N.CP.3 I can identify ways in which cultures are globalized.	Learning Indicator N.CIA.3 I can use memorized language, and very basic knowledge of the culture to accomplish simple, routine tasks.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
• I can identify some similar leisure activities across cultures.	• I can use a city map, GPS, or signs to help me find my way.
I can identify some similar forms of dress across cultures.I can identify common fast food	• I can recognize and imitate how people count and use money in order to make a purchase.
restaurants across cultures. • I can identify examples of common	• I can follow a team's win-loss record from a Web site.
technology use across cultures.	• I can
• I can	

Language Competencies	Intercultural Competencies
1. Interpretive Listening (IL) and Reading (IR)	4. Investigation of Cultural Products and Practices (CPP)
I can interpret information, concepts, and ideas from a variety of culturally authentic sources on a variety of topics.	I can use my language skills to investigate the world beyond my immediate environment.
2. Interpersonal Communication (IC)	5. Understanding of Cultural Perspectives (CP)
I can exchange information, concepts, and ideas with a variety of speakers or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	I can use my language skills to recognize and understand others' ways of thinking as well as my own.
	6. Participation in Cultural Interaction (CIA)
3. Presentational Speaking (PS) and Writing (PW)	I can use my language skills and cultural understanding to interact in a
I can present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	cultural context other than my own.

INTERMEDIATE LOW (IL) PROFICIENCY LEVEL

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark IL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IL.PW Presentational Writing
IL.IL I can understand the main idea in short, simple messages and presentations on familiar topics. I can understand the main idea of simple conversations that I overhear.	IL.IR I can understand the main idea of short and simple texts when the topic is familiar.	IL.IC I can participate in conversations on a number of familiar topics using simple sentences. I can handle short social interactions in everyday situations by asking and answering simple questions.	IL.PS I can present information on most familiar topics using a series of simple sentences.	IL.PW I can write briefly about most familiar topics and provide information using a series of simple sentences.
Learning Indicator IL.IL.1 I can understand the basic purpose of a message.	Learning Indicator IL.IR.1 I can understand messages in which the writer tells or asks me about topics of personal interest.	Learning Indicator IL.IC.1 I can have a simple conversation on a limited number of everyday topics.	Learning Indicator IL.PS.1 I can talk about people, activities, events, and experiences.	Learning Indicator IL.PW.1 I can write about people, activities, events, and experiences.
 Sample Learning Targets I can determine if I am hearing an announcement or an advertisement. I can understand what a radio advertisement is 	Sample Learning Targets I can understand what an e-pal writes about interests and daily routines. I can understand a	Sample Learning Targets I can talk with someone about family or household tasks. I can talk with someone about hobbies and	Sample Learning Targets I can describe the physical appearance of a friend or family member. I can describe another	Sample Learning Targets • I can describe the physical appearance and personality of a friend or family member.

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark
IL.IL Interpretive Listening	IL.IR Interpretive Reading	IL.IC Interpersonal Communication	IL.PS Presentational Speaking	IL.PW Presentational Writing
 selling. I can understand when and where an event will take place. I can understand a voice mail response accepting or rejecting an invitation. I can 	simple posting on a friend's social media page. I can understand a text from a friend about our plans. I can understand if a friend accepts or rejects an invitation. I can	interests.I can talk with someone about school or work.I can	person's personality. I can describe a school or workplace. I can describe a famous place. I can describe a place I have visited or want to visit. I can present my ideas about something I have learned. I can	 I can write about a school, workplace, famous place, or place I have visited. I can write about a holiday, vacation, or a typical celebration. I can write about something I have learned. I can write about what I plan to do next in my life. I can
Learning Indicator IL.IL.2 I can understand messages related to my basic needs.	Learning Indicator IL.IR.2 I can identify some simple information needed on forms.	Learning Indicator IL.IC.2 I can ask and answer questions of factual information that is familiar to me	Learning Indicator IL.PS.2 I can express my needs and wants.	Learning Indicator IL.PW.2 I can prepare materials for a presentation.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
I can understand a clear and repeated	• I can understand what information is asked	I can ask and answer questions related to	I can describe what I need for school or	• I can write out a draft of a presentation that I

INTERP	RETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark IL.IL Interpretive	Learner Benchmark IL.IR Interpretive	Learner Benchmark IL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IL.PS Presentational	Learner Benchmark IL.PW Presentational
announcement about a flight's departure time and/or gate. I can understand teacher announcements about when an assignment is due. I can understand the date and time of when a voicemail message was recorded. I can	for on a customs form. I can understand what information is asked for on a hotel registration form. I can understand what information is asked for on a student ID card. I can	subjects such as geography, history, art, music, math, science, language, or literature. • I can	work. I can tell what I want to do each day. I can	 Writing plan to present orally. I can write an outline of a project or presentation. I can write notes for a speech. I can
Learning Indicator IL.IL.3 I can understand questions and simple statements on everyday topics when I am part of the conversation.	Learning Indicator IL.IR.3 I can identify some information from news media.	Learning Indicator IL.IC.3 I can use the language to meet my basic needs in familiar situations.	Learning Indicator IL.PS.3 I can present information on plans, instructions, and directions.	Learning Indicator IL.PW.3 I can write simply about topics of interest.
Sample Learning Targets I can understand questions about my work or class schedule. I can understand	Sample Learning Targets • I can understand personal information about sports stars from photo captions	Sample Learning Targets I can ask for help at school, work, or in the community.	Sample Learning Targets I can explain the rules of a game. I can give multi-step	Sample Learning Targets I can write about a movie or song that I like.

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	CATIONAL
Learner Benchmark IL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IL.PW Presentational Writing
questions about my likes and dislikes. I can understand simple compliments related to what I am wearing or what I am doing. I can	 I can understand some information on job postings. I can understand basic information on weather forecasts. I can 	 I can make an appointment or reservation by phone. I can arrange for transportation, such as by train, bus, taxi, or ride with friends. I can 	 instructions for preparing a recipe. I can describe what my plans are for the weekend. I can describe what my summer plans are. I can describe holiday or vacation plans. I can describe what is needed for a holiday or a celebration. I can describe what I plan to do next in my life. I can 	 I can write about a famous athlete, celebrity, or historical figure. I can write a brief explanation of a proverb or nursery rhyme. I can write a simple poem. I can
			Learning Indicator IL.PS.4 I can present songs, short skits or dramatic readings.	Learning Indicator IL.PW.4 I can write basic instructions on how to make or do something.
			Sample Learning Targets • I can retell a children's	Sample Learning Targets • I can write the rules of

INTERP	RETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark IL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IL.PW Presentational Writing
			 I can present a proverb, poem or nursery rhyme. I can participate in a performance of a skit or a scene from a play. I can 	 a game. I can write about how to prepare something simple to eat. I can write about a simple routine, like getting lunch in the cafeteria. I can write simple directions to a nearby location or to an online resource. I can
			Learning Indicator IL.PS.5 I can express my preferences on topics of interest.	Learning Indicator IL.PW.5 I can write questions to obtain information.
			Sample Learning Targets • I can give a presentation about a movie or song that I like.	Sample Learning Targets I can post a question for discussion or reflection. I can develop a simple

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL PRES		NTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark IL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IL.PW Presentational Writing	
			 I can give a presentation about a famous athlete, celebrity, or historical figure. I can express my thoughts about a current event I have learned about or researched. I can 	questionnaire or survey. • I can	

INTERMEDIATE INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCIES

Learner Benchmark Investigation of Products and Practices	Learner Benchmark Understanding of Cultural Perspectives	Learner Benchmark Participation in Cultural Interaction	
I.CPP	I.CP	I.CIA	
I can identify common patterns in the products and practices of a culture.	I can compare familiar cultural beliefs and values.	I can interact at a functional level in familiar cultural contexts.	
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	
I.CPP. 1 I can explore and reference current and past examples of authentic cultural products and	I.CP.1 I can describe some basic cultural viewpoints.	I.CIA.1 I can handle short interactions with peers and colleagues in familiar	

practices.		situations at school, work, or play.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can understand the main idea and characters of short stories, folk tales, or graphic novels. I can recognize and reference famous artists and their works. I can understand the main idea of a movie clip or documentary. I can talk about a historical figure I can have a simple conversation about a festival. I can summarize the contributions of a culture in a blog or multimedia presentation. I can 	 I can talk about the individual role of family members and the importance of birth order. I can give examples that show the importance of academics vs. sports. I can describe the importance of time vs. money. I can make simple comparisons about the roles of men and women in society. I can describe the importance of religion. I can describe how other cultures view major historical events differently. I can 	 I can usually accept and refuse invitations in a culturally appropriate way. I can usually offer and receive gifts in a culturally appropriate way. I can usually request assistance in a culturally appropriate way. I can respond in a culturally appropriate way when someone sneezes, toasts, or pays me a compliment, etc. I can use some appropriate cultural conventions such as body language, turn-taking, interrupting, agreeing, etc. when talking with others. I can
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator
I.CPP.2 I can compare and contrast some common products of other cultures and my own.	I.CP.2 I can make some generalizations about a culture.	I.CIA.2 I can recognize and refer to elements of traditional and pop culture.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can describe similarities and differences in artwork. I can have a simple conversation about 	 I can sometimes identify cultural stereotypes or exaggerated views of a culture. 	 I can refer to a historical event. I can describe the outcome in a recent election.

 educational systems. I can provide basic information about countries' governments. I can identify similarities among folk tales. I can 	 I can compare some religious beliefs. I can classify the political beliefs of a nation in simple terms. I can determine which TV shows and films are popular in a given culture. I can 	 I can talk about the popularity of a hit song. I can mention the significance of a work of art in conversation. I can describe the difference between a traditional costume and a fashion trend. I can
Learning Indicator I.CPP. 3 I can compare and contrast some behaviors or practices of other cultures and my own.		Learning Indicator I.CIA. 3 I can sometimes recognize when I have caused a cultural misunderstanding and try to correct it.
 Sample Learning Targets I can compare and contrast eating habits. I can compare and contrast how people buy and sell. I can compare and contrast how families interact. I can compare and contrast how people celebrate. I can compare and contrast how my peers socialize. I can 		 Sample Learning Targets I can identify the appropriateness of topics and usually participate in conversations about them when attending a social or family event. I can sometimes recognize when I have acted or spoken too informally and try to correct it. I can sometimes recognize when my attempt at humor is misguided. I can

CORE PERFORMANCE COMPETENCIES

Language Competencies	Intercultural Competencies
1. Interpretive Listening (IL) and Reading (IR)	4. Investigation of Cultural Products and Practices (CPP)
I can interpret information, concepts, and ideas from a variety of culturally authentic sources on a variety of topics.	I can use my language skills to investigate the world beyond my immediate environment.
2. Interpersonal Communication (IC)	5. Understanding of Cultural Perspectives (CP)
I can exchange information, concepts, and ideas with a variety of speakers or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	I can use my language skills to recognize and understand others' ways of thinking as well as my own.
	6. Participation in Cultural Interaction (CIA)
3. Presentational Speaking (PS) and Writing (PW)	I can use my language skills and cultural understanding to interact in a
I can present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of	cultural context other than my own.
listeners or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	

INTERMEDIATE MID (IM) PROFICIENCY LEVEL

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark
IM.IL Interpretive Listening	IM.IR Interpretive Reading	IM.IC Interpersonal Communication	IM.PS Presentational Speaking	IM.PW Presentational Writing
IM.IL	IM.IR	IM.IC	IM.PS	IM.PW

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark IM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IM.PW Presentational Writing
I can understand the main idea in messages and presentations on a variety of topics related to everyday life and personal interests and studies. I can understand the main idea in conversations that I overhear.	I can understand the main idea of texts related to everyday life and personal interests or studies.	I can participate in conversations on familiar topics using sentences and series of sentences. I can handle short social interactions in everyday situations by asking and answering a variety of questions. I can usually say what I want to say about myself and my everyday life.	I can make presentations on a wide variety of familiar topics using connected sentences.	I can write on a wide variety of familiar topics using connected sentences.
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator
IM.IL.1 I can understand basic information in ads, announcements and other simple recordings.	IM.IR.1 I can understand simple personal questions.	IM.IC.1 I can start, maintain, and end a conversation on a variety of familiar topics.	IM.PS.1 I can make a presentation about my personal and social experiences.	IM.PW.1 I can write messages and announcements.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
• I can understand when, where and who is playing in a concert	• I can understand the questions asked on a career preference	• I can start a conversation.	• I can describe a childhood or past experience.	• I can write a message to explain or clarify something.

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL PRESENTATIONAL		TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark IM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IM.PW Presentational Writing
from a radio. advertisement. I can understand the main message of an ecard greeting. I can understand what service is offering in a TV ad. I can identify the type of film from a movie preview. I can Learning Indicator IM.IL.2 I can understand the main idea of what I listen to for personal enjoyment.	 survey. I can understand what is asked for on a simple, popular magazine questionnaire. I can understand the personal questions to complete a profile on a social media site. I can Learning Indicator IM.IR.2 I can understand basic information in ads, announcements and other simple texts.	 I can ask for information, details, and explanations during a conversation. I can bring a conversation to a close. I can interview someone for a project or a publication. I can Learning Indicator IM.IC.2 I can talk about my daily activities and personal preferences.	 I can report on a social event that I attended. I can make a presentation on something new I learned. I can make a presentation about my plans for the future. I can Learning Indicator IM.PS.2 I can make a presentation on something I have learned or researched.	 I can write about common events and daily routines. I can write an autobiographical statement for a contest, study abroad or other special program, or job application. I can write an invitation or flyer about an event I am planning. I can Learning Indicator IM.PW.2 I can write short reports about something I have learned or researched.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	L PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark IM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IM.PW Presentational Writing
 I can understand basic personal questions that are asked on a video conference. I can understand what a You Tube clip is about. I can understand peers' recorded descriptions about themselves or their avatars. I can 	 I can understand the information in birth and wedding announcements. I can understand the information in sales ads. I can understand the main ideas in travel brochures. I can understand the main ideas on food labels. I can 	 I can talk about my daily routine. I can talk about my interests and hobbies. I can give reasons for my preferences. I can give some information about activities I did. I can give some information about something I plan to do. I can talk about my favorite music, movies, and sports. I can 	 I can give a short presentation on a current event. I can present about a topic from an academic subject, such as science, math, art, etc. I can describe how to plan and carry out an event, such as a party or family reunion. I can give a short presentation on a famous person, landmark, or cultural event. I can 	 I can write a short article on a current event. I can write about an academic subject, such as science, math, art, etc. I can write the minutes or a summary from a club or other meeting. I can
Learning Indicator IM.IL.3 I can	Learning Indicator IM.IR.3 I can	Learning Indicator IM.IC.3 I can use my	Learning Indicator IM.PS.3 I can make a	Learning Indicator IM.PW.3 I can compose

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark IM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IM.PW Presentational Writing	
understand messages related to my everyday life.	understand the main idea of what I read for personal enjoyment.	language to handle tasks related to my personal needs.	presentation about common interests and issues and state my viewpoint.	communications for public distribution.	
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	
 I can understand a voice message about the time and place of a meeting. I can understand a box-office recording about the times of the performances of events. I can understand that an event is being postponed or cancelled. I can 	 I can understand updates in entertainment magazines and blogs. I can understand postings in blogs on familiar topics. I can understand postcards from friends. I can 	 I can request services, such as phone, computer, or car. I can schedule an appointment. I can make reservations. I can 	 I can give a presentation about a favorite movie or song and tell why I like it. I can give a presentation about a famous person or historical figure and tell why he/she is important. I can share my reactions about a current event and explain why the event is in the news. I can 	 I can create a flyer for an upcoming event at my school or at work. I can write a review of a movie, book, play, exhibit, etc. I can post an entry to a blog or a discussion forum. I can compose a simple letter, response, or article for a publication. I can contribute to a school or work publication. I can 	

INTERI	PRETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark IM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IM.PW Presentational Writing
	Learning Indicator IM.IR.4 I can read simple written exchanges between other people.	Learning Indicator IM.IC.4 I can exchange information about subjects of special interest to me.		
	Sample Learning Targets I can understand the main idea of personal messages exchanged in chat rooms. I can understand the main idea of a magazine biographical interview with a celebrity. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can talk about artists from other countries. I can talk about historical events. I can talk about a mathematics, technology, or science project. I can		

INTERMEDIATE INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCIES

Learner Benchmark Investigation of Products and Practices	Learner Benchmark Understanding of Cultural Perspectives	Learner Benchmark Participation in Cultural Interaction
I.CPP	I.CP	I.CIA
I can identify common patterns in the products and practices of a culture.	I can compare familiar cultural beliefs and values.	I can interact at a functional level in familiar cultural contexts.
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator
I.CPP. 1 I can explore and reference current and past examples of authentic cultural products and practices.	I.CP.1 I can describe some basic cultural viewpoints.	I.CIA.1 I can handle short interactions with peers and colleagues in familiar situations at school, work, or play.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can understand the main idea and characters of short stories, folk tales, or graphic novels. I can recognize and reference famous artists and their works. I can understand the main idea of a movie clip or documentary. I can talk about an historical figure I can have a simple conversation about a festival. 	 I can talk about the individual role of family members and the importance of birth order. I can give examples that show the importance of academics vs. sports. I can describe the importance of time vs. money. I can make simple comparisons about the roles of men and women in society. I can describe the importance of religion. 	 I can usually accept and refuse invitations in a culturally accepted way. I can usually offer and receive gifts in a culturally accepted way. I can usually request assistance in a culturally accepted way. I can respond in a culturally accepted way when someone sneezes, toasts, or pays me a compliment, etc. I can use some appropriate cultural
 I can summarize the contributions of a culture in a blog or multimedia presentation. I can 	 I can describe how other cultures view major historical events differently. I can 	conventions such as body language, turn-taking, interrupting, agreeing, etc. when talking with others. • I can

Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator
I.CPP.2 I can compare and contrast some common products of other cultures and my own.	I.CP.2 I can make some generalizations about a culture.	I.CIA.2 I can recognize and refer to elements of traditional and pop culture.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
• I can describe similarities and differences	• I can sometimes identify cultural	• I can refer to a historical event.
in artwork.I can have a simple conversation about	stereotypes or exaggerated views of a culture.	• I can describe the outcome in a recent election.
educational systems.	• I can compare some religious beliefs.	• I can talk about a hit song.
• I can provide basic information about countries' governments.	• I can classify the political beliefs of a nation in simple terms.	• I can mention the significance of a work of art in conversation.
• I can identify similarities among folk tales.	• I can determine which TV shows and films are popular in a given culture.	• I can describe the difference between a traditional costume and a fashion trend.
• I can	• I can	• I can
Learning Indicator I.CPP. 3 I can compare and contrast some behaviors or practices of other cultures and my own.		Learning Indicator I.CIA. 3 I can sometimes recognize when I have caused cultural misunderstanding and try to correct it.
Sample Learning Targets		Sample Learning Targets
• I can compare and contrast eating habits.		• I can sometimes sense when my behavior
• I can compare and contrast how people buy and sell.		or speech has offended someone and apologize appropriately.
• I can compare and contrast how families interact.		I can sometimes recognize when I have acted or spoken too informally and try to correct it.
I can compare and contrast how people		• I can sometimes recognize when my

celebrate.	attempt at humor is misguided.
• I can compare and contrast how my peers socialize.	• I can
• I can	

CORE PERFORMANCE COMPETENCIES

Language Competencies	Intercultural Competencies
1. Interpretive Listening (IL) and Reading (IR)	4. Investigation of Cultural Products and Practices (CPP)
I can interpret information, concepts, and ideas from a variety of culturally authentic sources on a variety of topics.	I can use my language skills to investigate the world beyond my immediate environment.
2. Interpersonal Communication (IC)	5. Understanding of Cultural Perspectives (ICP)
I can exchange information, concepts, and ideas with a variety of speakers or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	I can use my language skills to recognize and understand others' ways of thinking as well as my own.
3. Presentational Speaking (PS) and Writing (PW) I can present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	6. Participation in Cultural Interaction (CIA) I can use my language skills and cultural understanding to interact in a cultural context other than my own.

INTERMEDIATE HIGH (IH) PROFICIENCY LEVEL

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark IH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IH.PW Presentational Writing
IH.IL I can easily understand the main idea in messages and presentations on a variety of topics related to everyday life and personal interests and studies. I can usually understand a few details of what I overhear in conversations, even when something unexpected is expressed. I can sometimes follow what I hear about events and experiences in various timeframes.	IH.IR I can easily understand the main idea of texts related to everyday life, personal interests, and studies. I can sometimes follow stories and descriptions about events and experiences in various timeframes.	IH.IC I can participate with ease and confidence in conversations on familiar topics. I can usually talk about events and experiences in various timeframes. I can usually describe people, places, and things. I can handle social interactions in everyday situations, sometimes even when there is an unexpected complication.	IH.PS I can make presentations in a generally organized way on school, work, and community topics, and on topics I have researched. I can make some presentations on events and experiences in various timeframes.	IH.PW I can write on topics related to school, work, and community in a generally organized way. I can write some simple paragraphs about events and experiences in various timeframes.

INTERI	PRETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark IH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IH.PW Presentational Writing
Learning Indicator IH.IL.1 I can easily understand straightforward information or interactions.	Learning Indicator IH.IR.1 I can understand accounts of personal events or experiences.	Learning Indicator IH.IC.1 I can exchange information related to areas of mutual interest.	Learning Indicator IH.PS.1 I can present information on academic and work topics.	Learning Indicator IH.PW.1 I can write about school and academic topics.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can understand the descriptions of avatars in a new video game. I can understand an interview between a student reporter and foreign visitors about activities they have done and are planning to do while in town. I can understand a tour guide's description of a city's history and attractions. 	 I can understand information about an upcoming excursion, such as a class trip or company event. I can understand a friend's postcard describing their family vacation. I can understand descriptions of a Peace Corps volunteer's daily life. I can 	 I can provide information about specific events. I can ask for and provide information about a hobby or lifestyle, such as bicycling, vegetarianism, video games, or sports. I can ask for and provide descriptions of places I know and also places I would like to visit. I can talk about my 	 I can present ideas about something I have learned, such as an historical event, a famous person, or a current environmental issue. I can explain a series of steps needed to complete a task or experiment. I can explain to someone who was absent what took place in class or on the job. I can present my qualifications and 	 I can write a simple summary about something I have learned. I can write a series of steps needed to complete a task, such as for an experiment. I can prepare notes for someone who was absent from class or school. I can write the content for a multi-media presentation, a handout, a synopsis,

INTERI	PRETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark IH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IH.PW Presentational Writing
• I can		family history.I can talk about jobs and career plans.I can	goals for an academic program, training, or job. • I can	etc. • I can
Learning Indicator IH.IL.2 I can understand a few details in ads, announcements and other simple recordings.	Learning Indicator IH.IR.2 I can sometimes follow short, written instructions when supported by visuals.	Learning Indicator IH.IC.2 I can use my language to do a task that requires multiple steps.	Learning Indicator IH.PS.2 I can make a presentation on events, activities and topics of particular interest.	Learning Indicator IH.PW.2 I can write about work and career topics.
Sample Learning Targets I can understand a few details about a nutritional recommendation in a public service health announcement. I can understand the services offered in an ad about a car repair service.	 Sample Learning Targets I can follow the instructions to use an ATM machine. I can follow the instructions to make an online purchase. I can follow simple directions to do an experiment in a science class. 	 Sample Learning Targets I can give the basic rules of a game or sport and answer questions about them. I can ask for, follow, and give instructions for preparing food. I can ask for and follow directions to get from one place to 	 Sample Learning Targets I can make a presentation on something I learned from the media. I can make a presentation about an interesting person. I can summarize a personal, historical, or cultural event. 	Sample Learning Targets I can write a simple summary about an assignment or task. I can document the series of steps needed to complete a task or project. I can prepare notes for someone who is new or has been

INTER	PRETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark IH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IH.PW Presentational Writing
 I can understand a few details from public service announcements such as severe weather warnings or safety alerts. I can 	 I can understand the basic instructions for playing a video game. I can 	 another. I can tell someone how to access information online. I can explain basic rules, policies, or laws that affect us in a debate format. I can 	 I can give a presentation about my interests, hobbies, lifestyle, or preferred activities. I can make a presentation about the history or current status of a school, organization, or company. I can make a presentation about future plans. I can 	absent from a project, team, or work meeting. I can draft a work plan. I can write the content for a multimedia presentation, a handout, a synopsis, etc. I can
Learning Indicator IH.IL.3 I can sometimes understand situations with complicating factors.	Learning Indicator IH.IL.3 I can understand the main idea of and a few supporting facts about famous people and historic events.	Learning Indicator IH.IC.3 I can use my language to handle a situation that may have a complication.	Learning Indicator IH.PS.3 I can present my point of view and provide reasons to support it.	Learning Indicator IH.PW.3 I can write about community topics and events.

INTER	PRETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark IH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark
IH.IL Interpretive	IH.IR Interpretive		IH.PS Presentational	IH.PW Presentational
Listening	Reading		Speaking	Writing
Sample Learning	Sample Learning	Sample Learning	Sample Learning	Sample Learning
Targets	Targets	Targets	Targets	Targets
 I can understand a voice message from an exchange student telling why she will be late. I can understand a phone message about a change in meeting times and place. I can understand a voice message from the airlines about changes to a flight schedule. I can 	 I can read a short summary of a historical figure's accomplishments. I can understand the main idea and a few supporting facts about a scientific discovery from a summarized account. I can 	 I can arrange for a make-up exam or reschedule an appointment. I can return an item I have purchased to a store. I can plan an outing with a group of friends. I can 	 I can make a presentation on rules or policies such as cell phone use, dress code, or requirements for driving and explain my viewpoint. I can share and justify my opinion on common issues such as allowances for children, curfews for teenagers, budget-related topics, etc. I can explain my point of view on current event topics such as recycling, nutrition and exercise, the food supply, conserving energy resources, 	 I can write a simple summary about something I have researched. I can write the content for a multimedia presentation, a handout, a synopsis, etc. I can write the steps needed to complete a task, such as for a community event or a fund raiser. I can summarize what has been happening in the community for someone who is new or has been away. I can

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark IH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark IH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark IH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark IH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark IH.PW Presentational Writing
			extreme weather events, etc. • I can	
				Learning Indicator IH.PW.4 I can write about an entertainment or social event.
				Sample Learning Targets I can summarize a conversation or interview that I had with someone. I can describe an event that I participated in or witnessed. I can write a brief summary of the plot of a movie or an episode of a TV show. I can

INTERM	EDIATE INTERCULTURAL COMPE	TENCIES
Learner Benchmark Investigation of Products and Practices	Learner Benchmark Understanding of Cultural Perspectives	Learner Benchmark Participation in Cultural Interaction
I.CPP	I.CP	I.CIA
I can identify common patterns in the products and practices of a culture.	I can compare familiar cultural beliefs and values.	I can interact at a functional level in familiar cultural contexts.
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator
I.CPP. 1 I can explore and reference current and past examples of authentic cultural products and practices.	I.CP.1 I can describe some basic cultural viewpoints.	I.CIA.1 I can handle short interactions with peers and colleagues in familiar situations at school, work, or play.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
I can understand the main idea and	I can talk about the individual role of	• I can usually accept and refuse
characters of short stories, folk tales, or graphic novels.	family members and the importance of birth order.	invitations in a culturally appropriate way.
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graphic novels. • I can recognize and reference famous	birth order. • I can give examples that show the	way. • I can usually offer and receive gifts in a
graphic novels.I can recognize and reference famous artists and their works.I can understand the main idea of a	 birth order. I can give examples that show the importance of academics vs. sports. I can describe the importance of time 	 Way. I can usually offer and receive gifts in a culturally appropriate way. I can usually request assistance in a

presentation. • I can	major historical events differently. • I can	turn-taking, interrupting, agreeing, etc. when talking with others. • I can
Learning Indicator I.CPP.2 I can compare and contrast some common products of other cultures and my own.	Learning Indicator I.CP.2 I can make some generalizations about a culture.	Learning Indicator I.CIA.2 I can recognize and refer to elements of traditional and pop culture.
Sample Learning Targets • I can describe similarities and	Sample Learning Targets • I can sometimes identify cultural	Sample Learning Targets • I can refer to a historical event.
 I can describe similarities and differences in artwork. I can have a simple conversation about educational systems. I can provide basic information about countries' governments. I can identify similarities among folk tales. I can 	 I can sometimes identify cultural stereotypes or exaggerated views of a culture. I can compare some religious beliefs. I can classify the political beliefs of a nation in simple terms. I can determine which TV shows and films are popular in a given culture. I can 	 I can describe the outcome in a recent election. I can talk about the popularity of a hit song. I can mention the significance of a work of art in conversation. I can describe the difference between a traditional costume and a fashion trend. I can
Learning Indicator I.CPP. 3 I can compare and contrast some behaviors or practices of other cultures and my own. Sample Learning Targets I can compare and contrast eating habits. I can compare and contrast how people		Learning Indicator I.CIA. 3 I can sometimes recognize when I have caused a cultural misunderstanding and try to correct it. Sample Learning Targets • I can identify the appropriateness of topics and usually participate in conversations about them when

buy and sell.	attending a social or family event.
• I can compare and contrast how families interact.	I can sometimes recognize when I have acted or spoken too informally and try
• I can compare and contrast how people	to correct it.
celebrate.	• I can sometimes recognize when my
• I can compare and contrast how my	attempt at humor is misguided.
peers socialize.	• I can
• I can	

CORE PERFORMANCE COMPETENCIES

Language Competencies	Intercultural Competencies
1. Interpretive Listening (IL) and Reading (IR)	4. Investigation of Cultural Products and Practices (CPP)
I can interpret information, concepts, and ideas from a variety of culturally authentic sources on a variety of topics.	I can use my language skills to investigate the world beyond my immediate environment.
2. Interpersonal Communication (IC)	5. Understanding of Cultural Perspectives (CP)
I can exchange information, concepts, and ideas with a variety of speakers or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	I can use my language skills to recognize and understand others' ways of thinking as well as my own.
	6. Participation in Cultural Interaction (CIA)
3. Presentational Speaking (PS) and Writing (PW)	I can use my language skills and cultural understanding to interact in a
I can present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	cultural context other than my own.

ADVANCED LOW (AL) PROFICIENCY LEVEL

INTERF	PRETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark AL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AL.PW Presentational Writing
AL.IL I can understand the main idea and some supporting details in organized speech on a variety of topics of personal and general interest. I can follow stories and descriptions of some length and in various timeframes. I can understand information presented in a variety of genres on familiar topics, even when something unexpected is expressed.	AL.IR I can understand the main idea and some supporting details on a variety of topics of personal and general interest. I can follow stories and descriptions of some length and in various timeframes and genres.	AL.IC I can participate in conversations about familiar topics that go beyond my everyday life. I can talk in an organized way and with some detail about events and experiences in various timeframes. I can describe people, places, and things in an organized way and with some detail. I can handle a familiar situation with an unexpected complication.	AL.PS I can deliver organized presentations appropriate to my audience on a variety of topics. I can present information about events and experiences in various timeframes.	AL.PW I can write on general interest, academic, and professional topics. I can write organized paragraphs about events and experiences in various timeframes.
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator
AL.IL.1 I understand descriptions and stories of events that have happened or will happen.	AL.IR.1 I can find and use information for practical purposes.	AL.IC.1 I can participate in conversations on a wide variety of topics that go beyond my	AL.PS.1 I can deliver short presentations on a number of academic and workplace topics.	AL.PW.1 I can meet basic school and academic writing needs.

INTERP	RETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESEN	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark AL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AL.IC Interpersonal Communication everyday life.	Learner Benchmark AL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AL.PW Presentational Writing
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
• I can understand short presentations about famous people in history.	I can read about an upcoming event and decide whether or not to attend.	• I can explain absentee and sick leave policies and answer questions about them.	• I can present an explanation for a work or school process, project, or policy.	• I can revise class or meeting notes that I have taken for distribution.
 I can understand a voicemail outlining the details of a plan for an upcoming outing. I can follow a video conferencing session in which the speakers recount their experience on a recent trip. I can 	 I can read a blogger's account of a trip to plan my own. I can read a message about a friend's car accident. I can read a description about a candidate to make a voting decision. I can understand absentee and sick leave policies. I can 	 I can discuss current issues, such as leash laws, school dress codes, drinking age, or speed limits. I can discuss what is currently going on in another community or country. I can 	 I can provide a rationale for the importance of certain classes, subjects, or training programs. I can present a summary of an action plan or annual report for a club or work group. I can 	 I can draft and revise an essay or composition as part of a school assignment. I can write an abstract for a science fair project, research study, or conference. I can write summaries or annotations for a research project I can
Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator	Learning Indicator

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark AL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AL.PW Presentational Writing
AL.IL.2 I can understand the main idea of popular genres.	AL.IR.2 I can read texts that compare and contrast information.	AL.IC.2 I can compare and contrast life in different locations and in different times.	AL.PS.2 I can deliver short presentations on social and cultural topics.	AL.PW.2 I can meet basic work and career writing needs.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can follow televised promotions for upcoming programs. I can follow a YouTube comparison of two popular vacation locations. I can follow simple oral stories, recorded books, summaries, and excerpts from speeches. I can understand some simple information from a movie trailer. I can 	 I can read restaurant descriptions to guide my choice. I can read movie summaries to choose what to see. I can read a catalogue of course descriptions to choose my classes. I can understand the main idea and some details from a list of government job descriptions. I can read an article about how technology has changed in the past 20 years. 	 I can explain how life has changed since I was a child and answer questions about my explanation I can compare different jobs and study programs in discussing them with a peer. I can explain how technology has changed our lives and enter into a debate on this topic. I can 	 I can present an explanation for a social or community project or policy. I can give a presentation about the importance of certain social and cultural practices. I can give a presentation on traditions related to social events such as homecoming, graduation, marriages, funerals, etc. I can present a summary of an action plan or annual report 	 I can write an informational memo about a project or event. I can write summaries or a multi-step work plan for a new project. I can write brief job descriptions or performance reports. I can revise meeting notes that I have taken for distribution. I can draft and revise a résumé or cover letter. I can

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark AL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AL.PW Presentational Writing
	• I can		for a community or social organization. • I can	
	Learning Indicator AL.IR.3 I can follow simple written instructions.	Learning Indicator AL.IC.3 I can resolve an unexpected complication that arises in a familiar situation.	Learning Indicator AL.PS.3 I can explain issues of public and community interest, including different viewpoints.	Learning Indicator AL.PW.3 I can meet basic social and civic writing needs.
	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
	 I can follow directions for assembling a model. I can follow driving directions. I can follow the steps of a recipe. I can 	 I can rearrange my itinerary, such as flights, pick-up times, and appointments when I experience travel delays. I can tell a friend how I'm going to replace an item that I borrowed and broke/lost. I can explain why I 	 I can present reasons for or against a position on a political or social issue. I can make a presentation related to public health or safety. I can present a position during a formal debate. I can make a 	 I can manage and edit an online journal, blog, or discussion forum. I can write an article about an event or project of a club or group. I can write a letter of advice or letter to the editor on a social, civic or political issue.

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Learner Benchmark AL.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AL.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AL.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AL.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AL.PW Presentational Writing
		was late to class or absent from work and arrange to make up the lost time. • I can	presentation promoting an event, a service, or a product. • I can	 I can prepare reports and online communications for a social club, community or political group. I can
		Learning Indicator AL.IC.4 I can conduct or participate in interviews.	Learning Indicator AL.PS.4 I can deliver presentations for a specific audience.	
		Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	
		 I can interview for a job or service opportunity related to my field of expertise. I can interview someone about his/her professional interests and activities. I can 	 I can deliver a presentation to my classmates or colleagues. I can make presentations about special opportunities such as internships and study abroad. I can provide an explanation about a 	

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark
AL.IL Interpretive Listening	AL.IR Interpretive Reading	AL.IC Interpersonal Communication	AL.PS Presentational Speaking	AL.PW Presentational Writing
			process or procedure such as obtaining a driver's license, submitting an application for college admission, or applying for a scholarship or financial aid, etc. I can present an overview about my school, community, or workplace. I can	

ADVANCED INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCIES				
Learner Benchmark Investigation of Products and Practices A.CPP I can explain some diversity among the products and practices in other cultures and my own.	Learner Benchmark Understanding of Cultural Perspectives A.CP I can analyze and explain some cultural perspectives of individuals and institutions within a society.	Learner Benchmark Participation in Cultural Interaction A.CIA I can interact at a competent level in familiar and some unfamiliar cultural contexts.		
Learning Indicator A.CPP.1 I can explain some of the factors that contribute to why products and practices vary across cultures.	Learning Indicator A.CP. 1 I can explain how peoples' actions reflect their cultural beliefs.	A.CIA.1 I can comfortably interact and converse with peers and colleagues at school, work, or play.		
 Sample Learning Targets I can explain how cultural factors influence art. I can explain how popular songs reflect the culture in which they were created. I can explain how a country's cuisine is influenced by its regional culture. I can explain how creators of advertisements use elements of culture to market their products. I can describe the use of cultural elements in filmmaking. 	 Sample Learning Targets I can explain why people place importance on long vacations in some cultures. I can explain why families in some cultures spend more time at meals than others. I can explain why people hold certain professions in higher regard than others. I can explain why people arrange marriages in a culture. I can 	 Sample Learning Targets I can collaborate on a project with peers from another culture I can interact appropriately when I am a guest in the home of a friend from another culture (bring a proper gift, converse on non-taboo topics, use proper etiquette, etc.) I can engage in social conversations at a sporting event with peers. I can differentiate between appropriate and inappropriate topics and participate in conversations about most of them. 		

• I can		• I can
Learning Indicator A.CPP.2 I can analyze how peoples' practices and behaviors reflect their cultures. Sample Learning Targets I can explain why people worship on a certain day(s) of the week. I can explain why practices of	Learning Indicator A.CP. 2 I can explain how social, political, religious, and economic institutions reflect cultural beliefs. Sample Learning Targets I can explain why universal health care is provided in some cultures. I can explain why a country has a	Learning Indicator A.CIA.2 I can interact with people in some situations outside of my normal routine. Sample Learning Targets I can participate in a professional meeting in a somewhat unfamiliar situation, such as a job interview.
 disciplining children differ among cultures. I can explain some dietary preferences between cultures. I can explain some voting practices between cultures. I can explain why some cultures prefer certain sports. I can sometimes tell the difference between a fashion choice that is personal versus one that is a cultural norm. I can 	 democracy instead of a monarchy. I can explain why certain symbols are found on places of worship. I can explain how and why business cards are presented. I can 	 I can participate in a community service learning project, such as volunteering at a health fair for immigrants. I can interview someone for a research project or news article. I can carry on a conversation with someone during a job shadowing experience. I can
Learning Indicator A.CPP.3 I can explore topics of personal and professional interest.		Learning Indicator A.CIA.3 I can navigate some formal and official procedures.

Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
I can look up some facts about the genealogy of my family in other	• I can follow the steps to make an online purchase from a foreign Web site.
 I can research study or internship opportunities abroad. I can gather information about topics of personal interest such as hobbies, music, and entertainment from those in other cultures. I can research career options and job opportunities in other countries. I can research driving regulations in other countries. 	 I can help fill out forms for visas, travel and work permits, and registrations. I can explain my point of view in a minor legal procedure such as a traffic violation. I can
• I can	
	Learning Indicator A.CIA.4 I can understand that a cultural faux pas has occurred and understand how to correct it.
	 Sample Learning Targets I can recognize when something is culturally inappropriate from the use of language, the tone of voice, or the body language. I can understand why a gift I gave was inappropriate and decide what to give the next time.

	I can understand why a comment I made was offensive and decide what to say next time.
	I can understand why what I wore was inappropriate and decide what to wear next time.
	I can understand why the food I served was not appreciated and decide what to serve next time.
	I can write an apology to repair a relationship.
	• I can

CORE PERFORMANCE COMPETENCIES

Language Competencies	Intercultural Competencies
1. Interpretive Listening (IL) and Reading (IR)	4. Investigation of Cultural Products and Practices (CPP)
I can interpret information, concepts, and ideas from a variety of culturally authentic sources on a variety of topics.	I can use my language skills to investigate the world beyond my immediate environment.
2. Interpersonal Communication (IC)	5. Understanding of Cultural Perspectives (CP)
I can exchange information, concepts, and ideas with a variety of speakers or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.	I can use my language skills to recognize and understand others' ways of thinking as well as my own.
3. Presentational Speaking (PS) and Writing (PW)	6. Participation in Cultural Interaction (CIA) I can use my language skills and cultural understanding to interact in a

I can present	t information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of	cultural context other than my own.
listeners or r	readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate	
context.		

ADVANCED MID (AM) PROFICIENCY LEVEL

INTERP	RETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark AM.IL Interpretive Listening AM.IL	Learner Benchmark AM.IR Interpretive Reading AM.IR	Learner Benchmark AM.IC Interpersonal Communication AM.IC	Learner Benchmark AM.PS Presentational Speaking AM.PS	Learner Benchmark AM.PW Presentational Writing AM.PW
I can understand the main idea and most supporting details on a variety of topics of personal and general interest, as well as some topics of professional interest. I can follow stories and descriptions of some length and in various timeframes. I can understand information presented in most genres, even when not familiar with the	I can understand the main idea and most supporting details on a variety of topics of personal and general interest, as well as some professional topics. I can follow stories and descriptions of considerable length and in various timeframes. I can understand texts written in a variety of genres, even when I am unfamiliar with the topic.	I can express myself fully not only on familiar topics but also on some concrete social, academic, and professional topics. I can talk in detail and in an organized way about events and experiences in various timeframes. I can confidently handle routine situations with an unexpected complication. I can share my point of view in discussions on some complex issues.	I can deliver well- organized presentations on concrete social, academic, and professional topics. I can present detailed information about events and experiences in various timeframes.	I can write on a wide variety of general interest, professional, and academic topics. I can write well-organized, detailed paragraphs in various timeframes.

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark AM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AM.PW Presentational Writing
topic.				
Learning Indicator AM.IL.1 I can understand the main idea and many details of descriptions or interviews.	Learning Indicator AM.IR.1 I can follow the general idea and some details of what is written in a variety of stories and autobiographical accounts.	Learning Indicator AM.IC.1 I can communicate effectively on a wide variety of present, past, and future events.	Learning Indicator AM.PS.1 I can present information about events of public or personal interest.	Learning Indicator AM.PW.1 I can write well organized texts for a variety of academic purposes.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can understand many details given in an interview with a famous person, such as a rock star, politician, or actor I can understand a Web-based presentation giving a virtual tour of a city or university. I can understand an introduction that outlines the 	 I can follow the chronological plot in a simple short story. I can follow news articles reporting on community events. I can follow a short online autobiography. I can follow a cover letter and a résumé. I can 	 I can give a clear and detailed story about childhood memories, or memorable events and answer questions about my explanation. I can give clear descriptions about cultural events and respond to questions about them. I can talk about present challenges in my school or work 	 I can recount the details of an historical event. I can present in detail the plot, setting, characters, etc. of a film or book. I can describe in detail a social event or a local celebration. I can present a full account of the social and cultural activities from a recent trip or 	 I can write a research paper on a topic related to my studies or area of specialization. I can write a proposal for a project or a research study. I can write a newspaper and/or magazine article about an event, project, or research initiative. I can write content for

INTERF	PRETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark AM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AM.PW Presentational Writing
achievements of a speaker. • I can		life, such as paying for classes or dealing with difficult colleagues. • I can discuss future plans, such as where I want to settle down or what I will be doing in the next few years. • I can	 excursion. I can tell a story to a particular audience for dramatic effect. I can incorporate simple analogies into presentations. I can give an accurate description of something I participated in or witnessed. I can 	instructional resources. • I can
Learning Indicator AM.IL.2 I can understand accounts of events.	Learning Indicator AM.IR.2 I can understand general information on topics outside my field of interest.	Learning Indicator AM.IC.2 I can exchange general information on topics outside my fields of interest.	Learning Indicator AM.PS.2 I can convey my ideas and elaborate on a variety of academic topics.	Learning Indicator AM.PW.2 I can write well-organized texts for a variety of professional purposes.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
• I can understand a	• I can understand the	• I can exchange general	• I can make	• I can write letters of

INTERF	RETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark AM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AM.PW Presentational Writing
voicemail message on how someone missed a meeting because of an accident. I can understand a family member recounting an event in a recorded memoir. I can understand some autobiographical details of a well-known science figure I can understand a commentator's summary of a sporting event on TV. I can	details about a police report on a recent crime. I can understand the details of a job or performance evaluation. I can understand the details of an article about a sporting or cultural event. I can	information about my community, such as demographic information and points of interests. I can exchange general information about leisure and travel, such as the world's most visited sites or most beautiful places to visit. I can exchange factual information about social and environmental questions, such as retirement, recycling, or pollution. I can	presentations on a variety of subjects I have researched. I can teach a lesson to a particular audience. I can give detailed presentations on the process and the outcome of an experiment, research study, etc. I can make presentations to advocate for educational opportunities such as membership in a club, honor society, study abroad. I can give a presentation on a capstone or similar summative project such as a thesis or seminar.	recommendation. I can write a project proposal or a report. I can write about the results of a survey and the recommendations that might follow. I can write a statement for a job application. I can write performance reviews or project evaluations. I can write brochures or other resources for clients or customers. I can

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark AM.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AM.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AM.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AM.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AM.PW Presentational Writing
Learning Indicator AM.IL.3 I can understand directions and instructions on everyday tasks.	Learning Indicator AM.IR.3 I can handle a complication or unexpected turn of events.	Learning Indicator AM.IC.3 I can handle a complication or unexpected turn of events.	• I can Learning Indicator AM.PS.3 I can give presentations with ease and detail on a wide variety of topics related to professional interests.	Learning Indicator AM.PW.3 I can write well organized texts for a variety of general interest purposes
 Sample Learning Targets I can understand multi-step instructions in a recipe presented on TV or YouTube. I can understand when a friend tells me how to play a sport or game. I can understand the details when a teacher presents how to complete a homework assignment to the class. I can 	Sample Learning Targets I can understand an email message explaining details about the rescheduling of an event. I can understand the details in a message about why someone missed an important meeting. I can understand detailed descriptions about a service learning project.	Sample Learning Targets I can return or exchange a purchase when a vendor makes a mistake or when parts are missing. I can clear up a major personal, school, or work place misunderstanding. I can explain an injury or illness and manage to get help. I can	Sample Learning Targets I can give a presentation about my studies, work, or organization to an outside audience. I can advocate for new ideas or innovative approaches related to school, work, or training. I can present detailed information to clients, customers, or others. I can	 Sample Learning Targets I can write an article for a special interest magazine. I can write a family or community history. I can write brochures or other resources for community events or fund raising. I can write promotional materials. I can

ADVANCED INTERCULTURAL COMPETENCIES					
Learner Benchmark Investigation of Products and Practices A.CPP I can explain some diversity among the products and practices in other cultures and my own.	Learner Benchmark Understanding of Cultural Perspectives A.CP I can analyze and explain some cultural perspectives of individuals and institutions within a society.	Learner Benchmark Participation in Cultural Interaction A.CIA I can interact at a competent level in familiar and some un familiar cultural contexts.			
Learning Indicator A.CPP.1 I can explain some of the factors that contribute to why products and practices vary across cultures.	Learning Indicator A.CP.1 I can explain how peoples' actions reflect their cultural beliefs.	Learning Indicator A.CIA.1 I can comfortably interact and converse with peers and colleagues at school, work, or play.			
 Sample Learning Targets I can explain how cultural factors influence art. I can explain how popular songs reflect the culture in which they were created. I can explain how a country's cuisine is influenced by its regional culture. I can explain how creators of advertisements use elements of culture to market their products. I can describe the use of cultural elements in 	 Sample Learning Targets I can explain why people place importance on long vacations in some cultures. I can explain why families in some culture spend more time at meals than others. I can explain why people hold certain professions in higher regard than others. I can explain why people arrange marriages in a culture. 	 Sample Learning Targets I can collaborate on a project with peers from another culture I can interact appropriately when I am a guest in the home of a friend from another culture (bring a proper gift, converse on non-taboo topics, use proper etiquette, etc.) I can engage in social conversations at a sporting event with peers. I can differentiate between appropriate and inappropriate topics and participate in conversations 			

filmmaking.	• I can	about most of them.
• I can		• I can
Learning Indicator A.CPP.2 I can analyze how peoples' practices and behaviors reflect their cultures.	Learning Indicator A.CP. 2 I can explain how social, political, religious, and economic institutions reflect cultural beliefs.	Learning Indicator A.CIA.2 I can interact with people in some situations outside of my normal routine.
 Sample Learning Targets I can explain why people worship on a certain day(s) of the week. I can explain why practices of disciplining children differ among cultures. I can explain some dietary preferences between cultures. I can explain some voting practices between cultures. I can explain why some cultures prefer certain sports. I can sometimes tell the difference between a fashion choice that is personal versus one that is a cultural norm. 	 Sample Learning Targets I can explain why universal health care is provided in some cultures. I can explain why a country has a democracy instead of a monarchy. I can explain why certain symbols are found on places of worship. I can explain how and why business cards are presented. I can 	 Sample Learning Targets I can participate in a professional meeting in a somewhat unfamiliar situation, such as a job interview. I can participate in a community service learning project, such as volunteering at a health fair for immigrants. I can interview someone for a research project or news article. I can carry on a conversation with someone during a job shadowing experience. I can
• I can		
Learning Indicator A.CPP.3 I can explore topics of personal and professional interest.		Learning Indicator A.CIA.3 I can navigate some formal and official procedures.

Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can look up some facts about the genealogy of my family in other countries. I can research study or internship opportunities abroad. I can gather information about topics of personal interest such as hobbies, music, and entertainment from those in other cultures. I can research career options and job opportunities in other countries. I can research driving regulations in other countries. I can 	 I can follow the steps to make an online purchase from a foreign Web site. I can help fill out forms for visas, travel and work permits, and registrations. I can explain my point of view in a minor legal procedure such as a traffic violation. I can
	Learning Indicator A.CIA.4 I can understand that a cultural faux pas has occurred and understand how to correct it. Sample Learning Targets
	• I can recognize when something is culturally inappropriate from the use of language, the tone of voice, or the body language.
	• I can understand why a gift I gave was inappropriate and decide what to give the next time.
	• I can understand why a comment I

	made was offensive and decide what to say next time.
	• I can understand why what I wore was inappropriate and decide what to wear next time.
	• I can understand why the food I served was not appreciated and decide what to serve next time.
	• I can write an apology to repair a relationship.
	• I can

CORE PERFORMANCE COMPETENCIES

Language Competencies	Intercultural Competencies	
1. Interpretive Listening (IL) and Reading (IR)	4. Investigation of Cultural Products and Practices (CPP)	
I can interpret information, concepts, and ideas from a variety of culturally authentic sources on a variety of topics.	I can use my language skills to investigate the world beyond my immediate environment.	

2. Interpersonal Communication (IC)

I can exchange information, concepts, and ideas with a variety of speakers or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.

3. Presentational Speaking (PS) and Writing (PW)

I can present information, concepts, and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers on a variety of topics in a culturally appropriate context.

5. Understanding of Cultural Perspectives (CP)

I can use my language skills to recognize and understand others' ways of thinking as well as my own.

6. Participation in Cultural Interaction (CIA)

I can use my language skills and cultural understanding to interact in a cultural context other than my own.

ADVANCED HIGH (AH) PROFICIENCY LEVEL

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark	Learner Benchmark
AH.IL Interpretive Listening	AH.IR Interpretive Reading	AH.IC Interpersonal Communication	AH.PS Presentational Speaking	AH.PW Presentational Writing
AH.IL	AH.IR	AH.IC	AH.PS	AH.PW

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark AH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AH.PW Presentational Writing
I can easily follow narrative, informational and descriptive speech. I can understand discussions on most topics that deal with special interests, unfamiliar situations, and abstract concepts. I can sometimes follow extended arguments and different points of view.	I can easily follow narrative, informational, and descriptive texts. I can understand what I read on most topics that deal with special interests, unfamiliar situations, and abstract concepts. I can sometimes understand extended arguments and different points of view.	I can express myself freely and spontaneously, and for the most part accurately, on concrete topics and on most complex issues. I can usually support my opinion and develop hypotheses on topics of particular interest or personal expertise.	I can deliver detailed presentations, usually with accuracy, clarity and precision, on a variety of topics and issues related to community interests and some special fields of expertise.	I can write extensively with significant precision and detail on a variety of topics, most complex issues, and some special fields of expertise.
Learning Indicator AH.IL.1 I can easily understand detailed reports and exposés.	Learning Indicator AH.IR.1 I can understand narrative, descriptive, and informational texts of any length.	Learning Indicator AH.IC.1 I can exchange complex information about academic and professional tasks.	Learning Indicator AH.PS.1 I can present complex information on many concrete topics and related issues.	Learning Indicator AH.PW.1 I can write using target language and culture conventions to present and elaborate a point of view.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
• I can understand an interview in which the	I can understand a detailed account of a	• I can exchange complex information	I can deliver detailed and well-organized	I can write a position paper on an issue I

INTERP	RETIVE	INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark AH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AH.PW Presentational Writing
relationship of texting and traffic accidents is detailed by victims' reports on their experiences. I can understand a radio report on the increased crime rate in a community that includes descriptions of specific incidents of crime. I can understand a televised exposé on celebrities as heroes. I can	unique travel or cultural experience. I can understand the minutes of a student club meeting that describes new bylaws. I can understand the new perspectives of a musical group in an article that describes the direction taken in their latest CD. I can understand most documents outlining rules and regulations, such as an apartment rental contract. I can	about my academic studies, such as why I chose the field, course requirements, projects, internship opportunities, and new advances in my field. I can exchange complex information about my work responsibilities, such as the hiring process, my work schedule, the nature of my tasks, how I interface with other employees, opportunities for advancement, and new directions in my field. I can exchange complex professional or academic information to engage in collaborative work	presentations about topics that I have studied, such as modern art or Internet journalism. I can present complex information about my work responsibilities, such as interfacing with other employees, and new directions in the field. I can give a presentation about cultural influences on society. I can speak about the details and value of an experiment I have performed. I can incorporate a variety of supporting media and materials such as statistics, analyses, trends, polls,	have researched or that is related to my field of expertise. I can express a detailed point of view in a blog or other public forum. I can write an editorial piece in order to speculate on outcomes or implications of an issue. I can

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL	
Learner Benchmark AH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AH.PW Presentational Writing
		with my counterparts in different regions or countries.	etc. Into a presentation. • I can	
Learning Indicator AH.IL.2 I can often understand various viewpoints in extended arguments.	Learning Indicator AH.IR.2 I can read about most topics of special interest.	Learning Indicator AH.IC.2 I can exchange detailed information on topics within and beyond my fields of interest.	Learning Indicator AH.PS.2 I can present a viewpoint with supporting arguments on a complex issue.	Learning Indicator AH.PW.2 I can write using target language and culture conventions for informal purposes.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can follow the argument when students debate the advantages and disadvantages of study abroad supported by examples of their personal experiences. I can understand the main points made in a conversation I overhear where two people are arguing the 	 I can understand a report that describes policy changes, for example, related to admission into a program or changes to social networking platforms. I can follow the reporting of national or international news, such as an election, a natural disaster, or civil unrest. 	 I can exchange detailed information about my personal and professional interests. I can exchange detailed information on technological advances. I can participate in conversations on social or cultural questions relevant to speakers of this 	 I can present a detailed, supported argument about the need for alternative energy sources or other environmental topic. I can clearly present a particular political viewpoint. I can present an argument in favor of an economic policy 	 I can write a personal mission statement. I can write a statement of purpose related to my professional goals. I can write entries in a reflection journal. I can

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENT	TATIONAL
Learner Benchmark AH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AH.PW Presentational Writing
pros and cons of social networking. I can understand a YouTube debate on the legal age of drinking. I can	• I can	language. • I can	 and support my opinion with details. I can defend or challenge a controversial action taken by a person or group. I can 	
Learning Indicator AH.IL.3 I can understand discussions and presentations on many concrete and abstract topics.	Learning Indicator AH.IR.3 I can read most general fiction and non-fiction.	Learning Indicator AH.IC.3 I can support my opinion and construct hypotheses.	Learning Indicator AH.PS.3 I can use appropriate presentational conventions and strategies.	Learning Indicator AH.PW.3 I can write using target language and culture conventions for formal purposes.
Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets	Sample Learning Targets
 I can understand the benefits of marathon running as detailed in a podcast. I can understand many points made in a YouTube presentation advocating for 	 I can understand most short stories, plays, and novels. I can understand most inferences and allusions. I can understand nonfiction texts that are 	 I can give a supported argument about work-related processes that would benefit me and my employer. I can give a supported argument about social reform, such as daycare and elder 	 I can present a detailed, supported argument about the need for alternative energy sources or other environmental topic. I can clearly present a particular political 	 I can write an in-depth research paper. I can write a policy statement. I can contribute to a strategic plan. I can create a

INTERPRETIVE		INTERPERSONAL	PRESENTATIONAL		
Learner Benchmark AH.IL Interpretive Listening	Learner Benchmark AH.IR Interpretive Reading	Learner Benchmark AH.IC Interpersonal Communication	Learner Benchmark AH.PS Presentational Speaking	Learner Benchmark AH.PW Presentational Writing	
changes to immigration laws. I can understand a group leader's justification for protesting a cut in programs. I can	specialized and complex in nature, such as essays, documentaries, technical documentation, etc. • I can	care.I can usually defend my views in a debate.I can	viewpoint. I can present an argument in favor of an economic policy and support my opinion with details. I can defend a controversial action taken by a person or group. I can	professional portfolio. • I can	

ADVA	NCED INTERCULTURAL COMPETE	NCIES
Learner Benchmark Investigation of Products and Practices A.CPP I can explain some diversity among the products and practices in other cultures and my own.	Learner Benchmark Understanding of Cultural Perspectives A.CP I can analyze and explain some cultural perspectives of individuals and institutions within a society.	Learner Benchmark Participation in Cultural Interaction A.CIA I can interact at a competent level in familiar and some unfamiliar cultural contexts.
Learning Indicator A.CPP.1 I can explain some of the factors that contribute to why products and practices vary across cultures.	Learning Indicator A.CP.1 I can explain how peoples' actions reflect their cultural beliefs.	Learning Indicator A.CIA.1 I can comfortably interact and converse with peers and colleagues at school, work, or play.
 Sample Learning Targets I can explain how cultural factors influence art. I can explain how popular songs reflect the culture in which they were created. I can explain how a country's cuisine is influenced by its regional culture. I can explain how creators of advertisements use elements of culture to market their products. I can describe the use of cultural 	 Sample Learning Targets I can explain why people place importance on long vacations in some cultures. I can explain why families in some culture spend more time at meals than others. I can explain why people hold certain professions in higher regard than others. I can explain why people arrange marriages in a culture. 	 Sample Learning Targets I can collaborate on a project with peers from another culture. I can interact appropriately when I am a guest in the home of a friend from another culture (bring a proper gift, converse on non-taboo topics, use proper etiquette, etc.) I can engage in social conversations at a sporting event with peers. I can differentiate between appropriate

elements in filmmaking. • I can Learning Indicator	• I can Learning Indicator	and inappropriate topics and participate in conversations about most of them. • I can Learning Indicator
A.CPP.2 I can analyze how peoples' practices and behaviors reflect their cultures.	A.CP.2 I can explain how social, political, religious, and economic institutions reflect cultural beliefs.	A.CIA.2 I can interact with people in some situations outside of my normal routine.
 Sample Learning Targets I can explain why people worship on a certain day(s) of the week. I can explain why practices of disciplining children differ among cultures. I can explain some dietary preferences between cultures. I can explain some voting practices between cultures. I can explain why some cultures prefer certain sports. I can sometimes tell the difference between a fashion choice that is personal versus one that is a cultural norm. I can 	 Sample Learning Targets I can explain why universal health care is provided in some cultures. I can explain why a country has a democracy instead of a monarchy. I can explain why certain symbols are found on places of worship. I can explain how and why business cards are presented. I can 	 Sample Learning Targets I can participate in a professional meeting in a somewhat unfamiliar situation, such as a job interview. I can participate in a community service learning project, such as volunteering at a health fair for immigrants. I can interview someone for a research project or news article. I can carry on a conversation with someone during a job shadowing experience. I can

Learning Indicator A.CPP.3 I can explore topics of personal and professional interest.	Learning Indicator A.CIA.3 I can navigate some formal and official procedures.
 Sample Learning Targets I can look up some facts about the genealogy of my family in other countries. I can research study or internship opportunities abroad. I can gather information about topics of personal interest such as hobbies, music, and entertainment from those in other cultures. I can research career options and job opportunities in other countries. I can research driving regulations in other countries. I can 	 Sample Learning Targets I can follow the steps to make an online purchase from a foreign Web site. I can help fill out forms for visas, travel and work permits, and registrations. I can explain my point of view in a minor legal procedure such as a traffic violation. I can
	Learning Indicator A.CIA.4 I can understand that a cultural faux pas has occurred and understand how to correct it. Sample Learning Targets I can recognize when something is culturally inappropriate from the use of language, the tone of voice, or the body language.

	• I can understand why a gift I gave was inappropriate and decide what to give the next time.
	• I can understand why a comment I made was offensive and decide what to say next time.
	• I can understand why what I wore was inappropriate and decide what to wear next time.
	• I can understand why the food I served was not appreciated and decide what to serve next time.
	• I can write an apology to repair a relationship.
	• I can

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Utah Benchmark Statements for World Languages

		Low	Mid	High	Low	Mid	High	Low	Mid	High
Interpretive	Listening	I can recognize a few memorized words and phrases when I hear them spoken.	I can recognize some familiar words and phrases when I hear them spoken.	I can often understand words, phrases, and simple sentences related to everyday life. I can recognize pieces of information and sometimes understand the main topic of what is being said.	I can understand the main idea in short, simple messages and presentations on familiar topics. I can understand the main idea of simple conversations that I overhear.	I can understand the main idea in messages and presentations on a variety of topics related to everyday life and personal interests and studies. I can understand the main idea in conversations that I overhear.	I can easily understand the main idea in messages and presentations on a variety of topics related to everyday life and personal interests and studies. I can usually understand a few details of what I overhear in conversations, even when something unexpected is expressed. I can sometimes follow what I hear about events and experiences in various timeframes.	I can understand the main idea and some supporting details in organized speech on a variety of topics of personal and general interest. I can follow stories and descriptions of some length and in various timeframes. I can understand information presented in a variety of genres on familiar topics, even when something unexpected is expressed.	I can understand the main idea and most supporting details on a variety of topics of personal and general interest, as well as some topics of professional interest. I can follow stories and descriptions of some length and in various time frames. I can understand information presented in most genres, even when not familiar with the topic.	I can clearly understand extended speech and short lectures, even when somewhat complicated. I can understand most forms of media with little effort.
	Reading	I can recognize a few letters or characters. I can identify a few memorized words and phrases when I read.	I can recognize some letters or characters. I can identify some learned or memorized words and phrases when I read.	I can understand familiar words, phrases, and sentences within short and simple texts related to everyday life. I can sometimes understand the main idea of what I have read.	I can understand the main idea of short and simple texts when the topic is familiar.	I can understand the main idea of texts related to everyday life and personal interests or studies.	I can easily understand the main idea of texts related to everyday life, personal interests, and studies. I can sometimes follow stories and descriptions, about events and experiences in various timeframes.	I can understand the main idea and some supporting details on a variety of topics of personal and general interest. I can follow stories and descriptions of some length and in various timeframes and genres.	I can understand the main idea and most supporting details on a variety of topics of personal and general interest, as well as some professional topics. I can follow stories and descriptions of considerable length and in various timeframes. I can understand texts written in a variety of genres, even when I am unfamiliar with the topic.	I can easily follow narrative, informational, and descriptive texts. I can understand what I read on most topics that deal with special interests, unfamiliar situations, and abstract concepts. I can sometimes understand extended arguments and different points of view.

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Interpersonal	Person- to- Person	I can communicate on some very familiar topics using single words and phrases that I have practiced and memorized.	I can communicate on very familiar topics using a variety of words and phrases that I have practiced and memorized.	I can communicate and exchange information about familiar topics using phrases and simple sentences, sometimes supported by memorized language. I can usually handle short social interactions in everyday situations by asking and answering simple questions	I can participate in conversations on a number of familiar topics using simple sentences. I can handle short social interactions in everyday situations by asking and answering simple questions.	I can participate in conversations on familiar topics using sentences and series of sentences. I can handle short social interactions in everyday situations by asking and answering a variety of questions. I can usually say what I want to say about myself and my everyday life.	I can participate with ease and confidence in conversations on familiar topics. I can usually talk about events and experiences in various timeframes. I can usually describe people, places, and things. I can handle social interactions in everyday situations, sometimes even when there is an unexpected complication.	I can participate in conversations about familiar topics that go beyond my everyday life. I can talk in an organized way and with some detail about events and experiences in various timeframes. I can describe people, places, and things in an organized way and with some detail. I can handle a familiar situation with an unexpected complication.	I can express myself fully not only on familiar topics but also on some concrete social, academic, and professional topics. I can talk in detail and in an organized way about events and experiences in various timeframes. I can confidently handle routine situations with an unexpected complication. I can share my point of view in discussions on some complex issues.	I can express myself freely and spontaneously, and for the most part accurately, on concrete topics and on most complex issues. I can usually support my opinion and develop hypotheses on topics of particular interest or personal expertise.
Presentational	Speaking	I can present information about myself and some other very familiar topics using single words or memorized phrases.	I can present information about myself and some other very familiar topics using a variety of words, phrases, and memorized expressions.	I can present basic information on familiar topics using language I have practiced using phrases and simple sentences.	I can present information on most familiar topics using a series of simple sentences.	I can make presentations on a wide variety of familiar topics using connected sentences.	I can make presentations on a wide variety of familiar topics using connected sentences.	I can make presentations in a generally organized way on school, work, and community topics, and on topics I have researched. I can make some presentations on events and experiences in various timeframes.	I can deliver organized presentations appropriate to my audience on a variety of topics. I can present information about events and experiences in various timeframes.	I can deliver detailed presentations, usually with accuracy, clarity and precision, on a variety of topics and issues related to community interests and some special fields of expertise.
Presen	Writing	I can copy some familiar words, characters, or phrases.	I can write lists and memorized phrases on familiar topics.	I can write short messages and notes on familiar topics related to everyday life.	I can write briefly about most familiar topics and provide information using a series of simple sentences.	I can write on a wide variety of familiar topics using connected sentences.	I can write on topics related to school, work, and community in a generally organized way. I can write some simple paragraphs about events and experiences in various timeframes.	I can write on general interest, academic, and professional topics. I can write organized paragraphs about events and experiences in various timeframes.	I can write on general interest, academic, and professional topics. I can write organized paragraphs about events and experiences in various timeframes.	I can write extensively with significant precision and detail on a variety of topics, most complex issues, and some special fields of expertise.

Utah Benchmark Statements for World Languages

Investigation of Products and Practices	N.CPP I can identify some products and practices of cultures.	I.CPP I can identify common patterns in the products and practices of a culture.	A.CPP I can explain some diversity among the products and practices in other cultures and my own.
Understanding of Cultural Perspectives	N.CP I can identify some basic cultural beliefs and values.	I.CP I can compare familiar cultural beliefs and values.	A.CP I can analyze and explain some cultural perspectives of individuals and institutions within a society.
Participation in Cultural Interaction	N.CIA I can function at a survival level in an authentic cultural context.	I.CIA I can interact at a functional level in familiar cultural contexts.	A.CIA I can interact at a competent level in familiar and some unfamiliar cultural contexts.