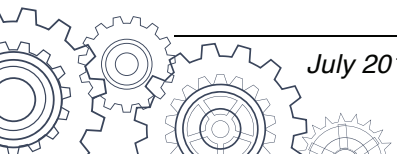
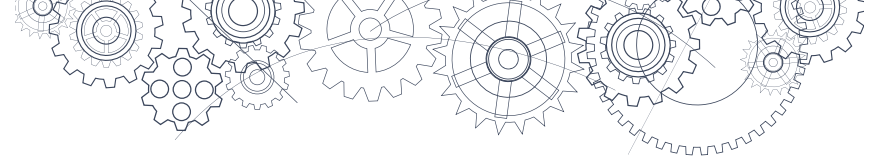


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Grade			
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening and viewing with intent helps us acquire a new language. Both verbal and non-verbal cues contribute meaning in language. Reciprocal communication is possible using high-frequency words and patterns. (Grades 5-6) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stories help us to acquire language. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each culture has traditions and ways of celebrating. We can explore our identity through a new language. (Grades 5-6)
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening and viewing with intent helps us understand a message. Reciprocal communication is possible using high-frequency words and patterns. (Grades 5-6) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stories help us to acquire language and understand the world around us. (Grades 6-7, Introductory 11) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learning about language from diverse communities helps us develop cultural awareness. We can explore our identity through a new language. (Grades 5-6)
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening and viewing with intent helps us understand an increasing variety of messages. Reciprocal interactions help us understand and acquire language. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowing about diverse communities helps us develop cultural awareness. We can explore identity and place through increased understanding of a new language.
8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening and viewing with intent supports our acquisition and understanding of a new language. (Grades 8-10, Introductory 11) We can express ourselves and talk about the world around us in a new language. With increased fluency, we can participate actively in reciprocal interactions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We can share our experiences and perspectives through stories. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creative works are an expression of language and culture. Acquiring a new language and learning about another culture deepens our understanding of our own language and culture.
9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening and viewing with intent supports our acquisition and understanding of a new language. (Grades 8-10, Introductory 11) Conversing about things we care about can motivate our learning of a new language. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creative works allow us to experience culture and appreciate cultural diversity. Acquiring a new language allows us to explore our identity and culture from a new perspective.





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10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening and viewing with intent supports our acquisition and understanding of a new language. (Grades 8-10, Introductory 11) Expressing ourselves and engaging in conversation in a new language require courage, risk taking, and perseverance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stories give us unique ways to understand and reflect on meaning. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cultural expression can take many forms. Acquiring a new language provides a unique opportunity to access and interact with diverse communities. (Grade 10, Introductory 11)
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening and viewing with intent supports our acquisition of a new language. The communicative context determines how we express ourselves. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring diverse forms of cultural expression promotes greater understanding of our own cultural identity. Language and culture are interconnected and shape our perspective, identity, and voice. Developing proficiency in a new language provides unique opportunities for careers, travel, personal growth, and study abroad.
Introductory 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening and viewing with intent supports our acquisition and understanding of a new language. (Grades 8-10, Introductory 11) Expressing ourselves in a new language requires courage, risk taking, and perseverance. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stories help us to acquire language and understand the world around us. (Grades 6-7, Introductory 11) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring diverse forms of cultural expression allows us to experience and appreciate cultural diversity. Acquiring a new language provides a unique opportunity to access and interact with diverse communities. (Grade 10, Introductory 11)
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Language learning is a lifelong process. With increased language proficiency, we can discuss and justify opinions with nuance and clarity. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring diverse forms of cultural expression promotes greater understanding and appreciation of cultures worldwide. Sharing our feelings, opinions, and beliefs in a new language contributes to our identity. Becoming more proficient in a new language enables us to explore global issues.

