

Foreign Language Thematic Units for Language Classes

Over the summer of 2015, teachers developed foreign language thematic units to help students acquire **social language** – language for everyday use both in class and if students were to travel to a foreign country. Up until then, most language taught had been around science, math and language arts content areas. These foreign language themes provide a framework for teachers to plan basic communication skills in addition to academic language through science, math and literacy.

Each theme includes vocabulary and language structures to assist students in applying the vocabulary to their daily language use. The foreign language thematic units for each grade level are designed to build upon each other, so that the vocabulary and language structures become more advanced with each year.

It is our hope that after three years of intentional teaching of social language through these foreign language themes, students will be able to focus their attention on the academic language of content areas.

Kindergarten

Unit 1	Greetings
Unit 2	School
Unit 3	All About Me and Body Parts
Unit 4	Immediate Family
Unit 5	Fall and Winter Seasonal Clothing
Unit 6	Pets and Farm Animals
Unit 7	Community Workers and Places
Unit 8	Opposites (adjectives) and Fruit (color, size, taste)
Unit 9	Spring and Summer Seasonal Clothing and Transportation
Unit 10	Activities in School
On- going all year	Calendar and Feelings

First Grade

Unit 1	Places in Schools
Unit 2	Additional Body Parts and Function
Unit 3	Extended Family

Unit 4	Routines (Morning, Afternoon, Evening)
Unit 5	Patterns and Clothing
Unit 6	Vegetables and Meat Ordering
Unit 7	Places Where Community Workers Work
Unit 8	Insects, Reptiles, and Amphibians
Unit 9	Feelings
Unit 10	Weekend, Afterschool Activities and Transportation
Unit 11	Places and Actions in House
Unit 12	Opposites (verbs)
On-going all year	More Advanced Calendar

Second Grade

Unit 1	School Routines and People
Unit 2	Body Parts/Health
Unit 3	Relationships
Unit 4	Clothing and Accessories
Unit 5	Textures of Food
Unit 6	Career Ideas and Purpose
Unit 7	Animals Native to Georgia (mammals and birds)
Unit 8	Map Skills
Unit 9	Retell Vacations and Weekends
Unit 10	Hobbies
Unit 11	Objects and Tasks in the House
On- going all year	Calendar and Feelings (need vocab and language structures for feelings)