Unit 1 Nos conocemos / Country: Nicaragua

Week 1: Los saludos

READING COMPREHENSION COMMUNICATION/CULTURE

Reading Strategies

- use ideas to make and confirm predictions (I)
- ask questions, clarify, and locate facts/details about stories/text with supporting evidence (I)

Oral and Written Conventions

• use and understand nouns (gender and number)

Week 2: La familia

PHONICS

COMMUNICATION/CONNECTIONS

Phonics

- identify the vowel sounds (I)
- identify cognates (I)

Week 3: Los amigos

SENTENCE STRUCTURE COMMUNICATION/COMPARISONS

Oral and Written Conventions

- identify Spanish punctuation marks and compare with the marks used in English (I)
- Parts of speech: regular verbs in present indicative -ar, -er, -ir
- use and understand nouns (gender and number)
- identify and read abbreviations (I)

Week 4: Las despedidas

FUNCTIONS AND FORMS COMMUNICATION/COMMUNITIES

Media Literacy

- identify different forms of media: entertainment
- email reply showing greetings

Oral and Written Conventions

- verb *ser* in present indicative (I)
- use and understand nouns (gender and number) (I)
- identify and use common and proper names (I)
- use of question marks and exclamation points (I)

Unit 2 ¿Cómo vivimos? / Country: Paraguay

Week 1: El lugar donde vivimos

READING COMPREHENSION
COMMUNICATION/CULTURE

Reading Strategies

- use ideas to make and confirm predictions (I)
- ask questions, clarify, and locate facts/details about stories/text with supporting evidence (R)
- distinguish author's purpose (I)
- · understand cause and effect

Vocabulary Development

• identify and use antonyms (I)

Oral and Written Conventions

- parts of speech: regular verbs in present indicative –ar
- use and understand nouns (gender and number)
- use and understand articles (gender and number)

Week 2: La ropa y los colores

Communication/Connections

Phonics

- identify the vowel sounds (R)
- decode accurately r/rr (I)
- identify cognates (R)

Week 3: Las actividades en la casa y el vecindario

SENTENCE STRUCTURE

COMMUNICATION/COMPARISONS

Oral and Written Conventions

- distinguish between sentences: declarative and imperative (I)
- use and understand adjectives (gender and number) (I)
- identify and read abbreviations (R)
- recognize and use punctuation marks including commas in a series and dates (R)
- identify and use greetings and goodbyes in formal language (I)

Week 4: La comunidad

FUNCTIONS AND FORMS COMMUNICATION/COMMUNITIES

Media Literacy

- recognize purpose: informational
- image showing a GPS map

Oral and Written Conventions

- verb *estar* in present indicative (I)
- use and understand nouns (gender and number) (R)

Unit 3 Vamos a aprender / Country: México

Week 1: Las actividades en la escuela

READING COMPREHENSION COMMUNICATION/CULTURE

Reading Strategies

- use ideas to make and confirm predictions (M)
- ask questions, clarify, and locate facts/details about stories/text with supporting evidence (M)

Vocabulary Development

• identify and use homophones (I)

Oral and Written Conventions

 use and understand adjectives (gender and number) (R) **Week 2:** Las actividades después de la escuela

PHONICS

COMMUNICATION/CONNECTIONS

Phonics

- familiarity with *gue* and *gui* (I)
- decode accurately g/j (I)
- decode accurately r/rr (R)
- identify cognates (M)

Week 3: Las vacaciones

SENTENCE STRUCTURE
COMMUNICATION/COMPARISONS

Oral and Written Conventions

- distinguish between sentences: declarative and exclamatory (R)
- use and understand adjectives (gender and number) (R)
- use of question marks and exclamation points (R)

Week 4: Los eventos

FUNCTIONS AND FORMS
COMMUNICATION/COMMUNITIES

Media Literacy

- recognize purpose: informational
- website from the *Bellas Artes* Museum

Oral and Written Conventions

- irregular verbs in present indicative: *venir*, *jugar* (I)
- use and understand articles (gender and number)

Unit 4 Los animales / Country: Costa Rica

Week 1: Las mascotas

READING COMPREHENSION
COMMUNICATION/CULTURE

Reading Strategies

- use ideas to make and confirm predictions (M)
- ask questions, clarify, and locate facts/details about stories/text with supporting evidence (M)
- distinguish author's purpose (R)

Oral and Written Conventions

 use and understand adjectives (gender and number) (M) **Week 2:** Los animales de la granja

PHONICS

COMMUNICATION/CONNECTIONS

Phonics

- familiarity with *güe* and *güi* (I)
- decode accurately c/s/z (I)
- identify cognates (M)

Week 3: Las fábulas

SENTENCE STRUCTURE
COMMUNICATION/COMPARISONS

Oral and Written Conventions

- use the complete subject and the complete predicate in a sentence (I)
- use and understand adjectives (gender and number) (M)
- use and understand conjunctions

Week 4: Los animales del zoológico

FUNCTIONS AND FORMS COMMUNICATION/COMMUNITIES

Media Literacy

- recognize purpose: entertainment
- video game: three snapshots of a video game with zoo animals

Oral and Written Conventions

- verbs in infinitive –*ar*, –*er*, –*ir*
- use and understand adjectives (gender and number) (M)
- use and understand conjunctions (R)

Unit 5 Nos cuidamos / Country: Cuba

Week 1: Los alimentos

READING COMPREHENSION COMMUNICATION/CULTURE

Reading Strategies

- use ideas to make and confirm predictions (M)
- ask questions, clarify, and locate facts/details about stories/text with supporting evidence (M)
- identify main idea and details (I)

Vocabulary Development

• use the context of the sentence to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words or multiple-meaning words (I)

Oral and Written Conventions

• use and understand adverbs
(I)

Week 2: Las comidas

PHONICS

COMMUNICATION/CONNECTIONS

Phonics

- familiarity with -qui (R)
- decode accurately c/s/z (R)
- decode accurately ll/y and i/y (I)
- identify cognates (M)

Week 3: Las sensaciones

SENTENCE STRUCTURE COMMUNICATION/COMPARISONS

Oral and Written Conventions

- use the complete subject and the complete predicate in a sentence (R)
- use and understand adjectives(M)

Week 4: La buena salud

FUNCTIONS AND FORMS COMMUNICATION/COMMUNITIES

Media Literacy

- recognize purpose: entertainment
- comic strip about superheroes and health

Oral and Written Conventions

• verb *aprender* in past indicative (I)

Unit 6 Nuestro ambiente / Country: Chile

Week 1: Las estaciones y el tiempo

READING COMPREHENSION

COMMUNICATION/CULTURE

Reading Strategies

- use ideas to make and confirm predictions (M)
- ask questions, clarify, and locate facts/details about stories/text with supporting evidence (M)
- identify cause and effect (R)

Week 2: Los viajes y los mapas

PHONICS

COMMUNICATION/CONNECTIONS

Phonics

- segment/combine diphthongs(I)
- identify vowel sounds (R)
- identify cognates (M)

Week 3: La geografía y el clima

SENTENCE STRUCTURE

COMMUNICATION/COMPARISONS

Oral and Written Conventions

- use complete simple and compound sentences with correct subject-verb agreement
- distinguish between sentences: declarative and imperative (R)
- use and understand nouns and articles
- recognize and use punctuation marks, including commas in compound sentences (I)

Week 4: Los lugares históricos

FUNCTIONS AND FORMS

COMMUNICATION/COMMUNITIES

Media Literacy

- recognize purpose: informational
- newspaper forecast about the time

Oral and Written Conventions

- verb *visitar* in past indicative (I)
- use and understand nouns and articles (R)

Unit 7 ¿Cómo funciona? / Country: Venezuela

Week 1: El trabajo

READING COMPREHENSION COMMUNICATION/CULTURE

Reading Strategies

- use ideas to make and confirm predictions (M)
- ask questions, clarify, and locate facts/details about stories/text with supporting evidence (M)
- summarization and sequencing (I)

Vocabulary Development

• identify meaning of common idioms (I)

Oral and Written Conventions

 use and understand nouns (gender and number)

Week 2: La tecnología

PHONICS

COMMUNICATION/CONNECTIONS

Phonics

- segment/combine syllables, including diphthongs (R)
- decode accurately b/v (I)
- identify cognates (M)

Week 3: Las profesiones

SENTENCE STRUCTURE COMMUNICATION/COMPARISONS

Oral and Written Conventions

- use and understand nouns (gender and number) (M)
- recognize and use punctuation marks, including commas in compound sentences (I)

Week 4: El mundo del trabajo

FUNCTIONS AND FORMS COMMUNICATION/COMMUNITIES

Media Literacy

- recognize purpose: entertainment
- video game about fixing a satellite

Oral and Written Conventions

- verb *trabajar* in future indicative (I)
- use and understand nouns (gender and number) (M)

Unit 8 Nuestras celebraciones / Country: España

Week 1: Las celebraciones

READING COMPREHENSION
COMMUNICATION/CULTURE

Reading Strategies

- use ideas to make and confirm predictions (M)
- ask questions, clarify, and locate facts/details about stories/text with supporting evidence (M)
- distinguish author's purpose
 (M)

Vocabulary Development

 identify and use antonyms and synonyms (I)

Oral and Written Conventions

 use and understand nouns, adjectives, articles, adverbs, pronouns, and conjunctions **Week 2:** Las costumbres y tradiciones

PHONICS

COMMUNICATION/CONNECTIONS

Phonics

- segment/combine syllables including diphthongs (M)
- decode accurately ll/y and b/v (R)
- decode accurately r/rr and c/s/z (M)
- identify cognates (M)

Week 3: Las fiestas

SENTENCE STRUCTURE
COMMUNICATION/COMPARISONS

Oral and Written Conventions

- use the complete subject and the complete predicate in a sentence (R)
- use complete simple and compound sentences with correct subject-verb agreement (R)
- use and understand nouns, adjectives, articles, adverbs, pronouns, and conjunctions
- identify and read abbreviations (M)
- recognize and use punctuation marks, including commas in compound sentences (R)

Week 4: Los personajes históricos

FUNCTIONS AND FORMS COMMUNICATION/COMMUNITIES

Media Literacy

- recognize purpose: informational
- email responding to an ad offering an art workshop about a Spanish artist

Oral and Written Conventions

 verb aprender in past, present, and future