Foreign Language Brunswick School Department French II

Unit 2: Consumer Society

| Essential Understandings | Language enables communication. Language is inextricably linked to culture. Western languages have certain structural similarities | |
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| Essential Questions | What are the trends in French consumer habits since WWII? How do consumer habits reflect cultural values? | |
| Essential Knowledge | France is a "first" world country with a high standard of living. Consumer habits change as a result of the worldwide economy. | |
| Vocabulary | Terms: Clothing, shopping in department stores, cars and driving, irregular adjectives, comparative and superlative adjectives, negative constructions, formal and informal question forms, verbs voir, croire, lire, dire, écrire, conduire | |
| Essential Skills | Identify, describe and shop for clothing. State color and size preference. Express opinions and make observations. Describe and compare people and things using certain adjectives. Talk about cars and driving habits. Use appropriate vocabulary to purchase gas and basic car service. | |
| Related Maine Learning Results | Maine Learning modern languages use pronunciation and intonation which | |

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A4. Language Comparisons

Students use their understanding of the nature of language to enhance their communication in the target language.

- a. Compare a variety of grammatical structures and syntax between languages.
- b. Identify examples of vocabulary in both languages that do not translate directly from one language to another.
- c. Use idiomatic expressions and/or proverbs in the target language.
- Identify examples of vocabulary (in English and the target language) that convey different meanings in different contexts.

B. Culture

B1. Practice and Perspectives

Students identify and explain how perspectives of a culture(s) are related to cultural practices of a culture(s) in which the target language is spoken

a. Identify and explain the reason behind significant practices of a culture(s) in which the target language is spoken.

- b. Describe stereotypes associated with perspectives of a culture(s) in which the target language is spoken.
- c. Identify differences in cultural practices among peoples that speak the same language.

B3. Comparison with Own Culture

Students explain how products, practices, and perspectives of a culture(s) in which the target language is spoken contribute to the culture in which the student lives.

- b. Explain the reasons for a variety of similarities and differences between the culture in which the student lives and the culture(s) in which the target language is spoken.
- c. Use the target language in a manner that would be considered appropriate by native speakers and explains what makes it appropriate communication.

C. Connections

- C1. Knowledge of Other Learning Results Content Areas Students use the target language to enhance their knowledge of other Learning Results content areas.
 - a. Provide examples of grammatical knowledge acquired in the target language that are used to achieve a better understanding of grammatical structures in English.

Related Maine Learning Results

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| | D. Communities | | |
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| | D1. Communities | | |
| Related | Students demonstrate their understanding an use their | | |
| Maine Learning | knowledge of the target language to communicate with target | | |
| Results | language speakers and to understand the importance of culture | | |
| 11000.1100 | and language in the 21 st century. | | |
| | b. Independently access a variety of target language sources | | |
| | for one's own entertainment or enrichment. | | |
| Sample | Improvisational shopping situations | | |
| Lessons | On-line "shopping spree" at French department store | | |
| And | Simulated driving exam | | |
| Activities | | | |
| Sample | Quizzes | | |
| Classroom | ■ Skits | | |
| Assessment | Composition | | |
| Methods | Listening comprehension | | |
| | Reading comprehension | | |
| | ■ Publications: | | |
| Sample | Bienvenue -McGraw-Hill textbook | | |
| Resources | ■ <u>Videos</u> : | | |
| | o <u>Bienvenue</u> | | |
| | Other Materials: | | |
| | Store catalogs | | |
| | o Brochures | | |