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Essential Understandings	Literature is one of the central manifestations of language; it reveals characteristics and peculiarities of distinct cultures, and exemplifies in pragmatic as well as in majestic ways the intricacies of grammar and syntax coming together to produce language.
Essential Questions	 How does music reflect characteristics and features of a society? How does music reflect the thoughts and ideals of an artist? What is the role of music within today's modern society? How does language interact with music to create an art form? How does Hispanic popular music contrast with American popular music?
Essential Knowledge	 One can identify cultural characteristics of a society by analyzing its music. Cultural identities and attitudes of musicians reflect the cultures in which they live. Music plays an important role in culture and society. The rhythmic aspects of language relates to music. There are differences and similarities in musical trends between American and Hispanic cultures.
Vocabulary	 Terms: General music vocabulary Vocabulary specific to each individual artist Idiomatic expressions used by individual artists in interviews and movie clips
Essential Skills	 Derive meaning from song lyrics. Differentiate between many different Hispanic music styles. Identify cultural features of a society from its musical expressions. Analyze the lives and work of popular Hispanic artists. Assimilate and applying new vocabulary to enrich their Spanish writing skills.

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World Languages

A. Communication

A1. Interpersonal

Students express their own thoughts and opinions about familiar topics and elicit the thoughts and opinions of others by using strings of sentences and/or short paragraphs. Students of modern languages use pronunciation and intonation which would be comprehensible to a native speaker accustomed to interacting with language learners.

- a. Interact in a variety of social situations including formal and informal personal exchanges and/or phone inquiries.
- b. Provide and exchange detailed information on familiar topics, orally and in writing.
- c. Describe and explain states of being, orally and in writing.
- d. Express agreement and disagreement, orally and in writing, supporting opinions with simple reasoning.

A2. Interpretive

Students comprehend conversations, narratives, and recorded material in familiar contexts that are longer and/or more complex than those in the 6-8 span.

- a. Identify main ideas, topics and specific information in a variety of authentic written materials.
- b. Identify main ideas, topics, and specific information in authentic films.
- c. Identify main ideas, topics, and specific information in authentic oral/signed materials.

A3. Presentational

Students express their own thoughts to describe and narrate in oral and written presentations using strings of sentences and/or short paragraphs and with sufficient accuracy in form and pronunciation that could be understood by native speakers accustomed to interacting with language learners.

- a. Read authentic passages aloud with appropriate pronunciation, phrasing, and intonation.
- c. Paraphrase and/or summarize texts orally and in writing using a presentational format.
- d. Write brief narrative compositions and expository/informational compositions.

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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 form one language to another.
- c. Use idiomatic expressions and/or proverbs in the target language.
- d. Identify examples of how 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

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.

B2. Products and Perspectives

Students explain how political structures, historical artifacts, literature, and/or visual and performing arts reflect the perspectives of a culture(s) in which the target language is spoken.

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.

- a. Identify and compare influential figures form the two cultures.
- 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.

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	C. Connections
	C2. Distinctive Viewpoints
	Students locate authentic resources and describe ideas about
	the target language and associated culture(s) that are available
	only through sources in the target language.
	a. Interpret short prose, poetry, or plays in the target language
	that reflect the culture(s) in which the target language is
Related	spoken and make connections to the viewpoints of the
Maine Learning	culture associated with the target language(s).
Results	b. Located selected magazines, newspapers, authentic
rtocano	entertainment media an electronic media in the target
	language and use these media as the basis for describing
	the viewpoints of the culture associated with the target
	language(s).
	c. Locate selected magazines, newspapers, authentic
	entertainment media and electronic media in the target
	language and describe viewpoints of a culture in which the
	target language is spoken.
Sample	Writing fan letters
Lessons	Writing music reviews
And	 Holding press conferences
Activities	Listening for comprehension
	Classroom discussion
Sample	Music project and presentation
Classroom	Vocabulary and biography quizzes
Assessment	Compositions
Methods	Spoken activities listed above
	Publications:
	o "People in Spanish Magazine"
Cample	Videos:
Sample Resources	o "Ketama, The Flamenco Clan"
Resources	"Manu Chao, Radio Bemba""Selena"
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	o Interview with Gloria Esteran