Connecting the Classroom to Real World Opportunities



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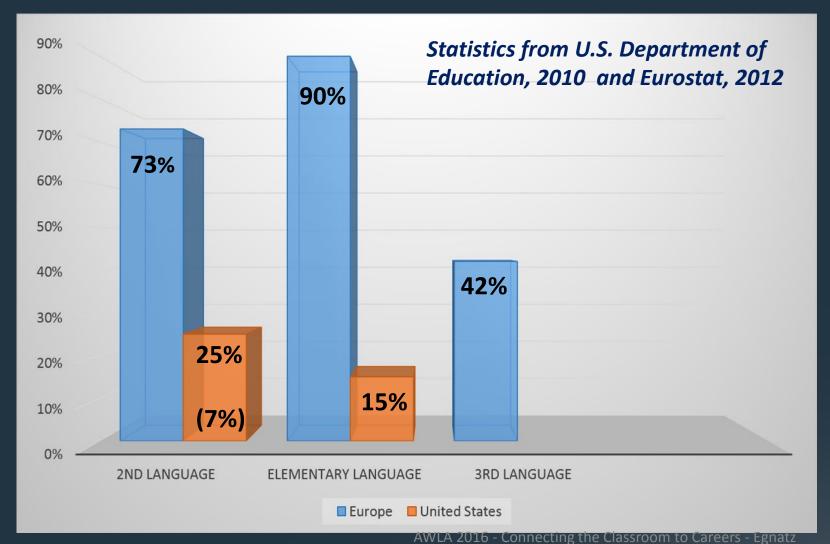
"Language learning is a civil rights narrative."

"One in five jobs is linked to international economy."

"Language learning is not a nice to have, it's an essential."



U.S. students have less access to language.



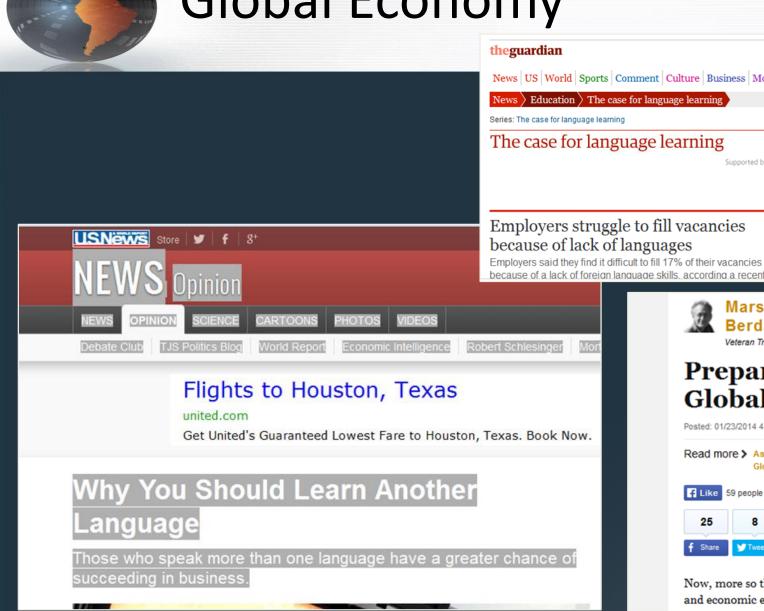
Across the United States:

Only 44% of High School students are enrolled in language courses. European Union – 1 + 2 Program

Only 51% of Universities require language study.



Global Economy









Help Students Visualize them Using Language



ORAL PROFICIENCY LEVELS IN THE WORKPLACE

ACTFL Level	ILR	Language Functions	Corresponding Professions/Positions*	Examples of Who Is Likely to Function at This Level
Distinguished	5 4	Ability to tailor language to specific audience, persuade, negotiate. Deal with nuance and subtlety.	Foreign Service: Diplomat, Contract Negotiator, International Specialist, Intelligence Specialist	Highly articulate, professionally specialized native speakers Language learners with extended (17 years) and current professional and/or educational experience in the target culture
Superior	3	Discuss topics extensively, support opinions, hypothesize. Deal with linguistically unfamiliar situations.	University Language Professor, Financial Services Marketing Consultant, Foreign Area Officer, Lawyer, Judge, Court Interpreter	Well-educated native speakers Educated language learners with extended professional and/or educational experience in the target language environment
Advanced High	2+	Narrate and describe in past, present, and future. Deal effectively with an unanticipated complication.	Physician, Human Resources Communications Consultant, Financial Services Senior Consultant, Quality Assurance Specialist, Marketing Manager, Financial Advisor, Broker, Military Linguist, Translation Officer	 Language learners with graduate degrees in language or a related area and extended educational experience in target environment
Advanced Mid			Banking and Investment Services Customer Service Representative, Fraud Specialist, Account Executive, Medical Interpreter, Patient Advocate, Court Stenographer, Court Interpreter, Human Resources Benefits Specialist, Technical Service Agent, Collections Representative, Estimating Coordinator	Heritage speakers, informal learners, non-academic learners who have significant contact with language Undergraduate majors with year-long study in the target language culture
Advanced Low	2		K–12 Language Teacher, Nurse, Social Worker, Claims Processor, Police Officer, Maintenance Administrator, Billing Clerk, Legal Secretary, Legal Receptionist, 911 Dispatcher, Consumer Products Customer Services Personnel	Undergraduate language majors
Intermediate High Intermediate Mid	1+	Create with language, initiate, maintain, and bring to a close simple conversations by asking and responding to simple questions.	Fire Fighter, Utilities Installer, Auto Inspector, Aviation Personnel, Missionary, Tour Guide Cashier, Sales Clerk (highly predictable contexts), Receptionist	 Language learners following 6–8 year sequences of study (e.g., AP) or 4–6 semester college sequences
Intermediate Low	1			Language learners following 4-year high school sequence or 2-semester college sequence Language learners following an immersion language program in Grades K-6
Novice High	0+	Communicate minimally with formulaic and rote utterances, lists, and phrases.		Language learners following content-based language program in Grades K-6
Novice Mid Novice Low	o			Language learners following 2 years of high school language study

^{*}The levels of proficiency associated with each of the positions above are minimal levels of oral proficiency based on task analyses. The minimal levels were determined by subject matter experts from companies and agencies who use ACTFL proficiency tests.

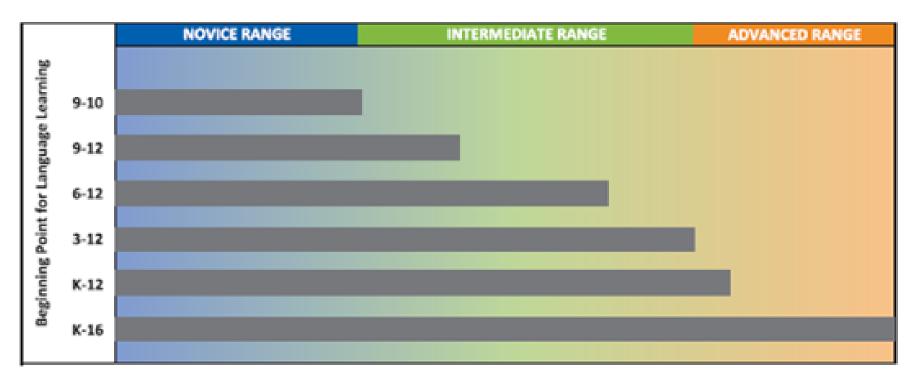


What proficiency level is required for work?



Language Proficiency takes time.

TIME AS A CRITICAL COMPONENT FOR DEVELOPING LANGUAGE PERFORMANCE



"We didn't lose the game, we just ran out of time."

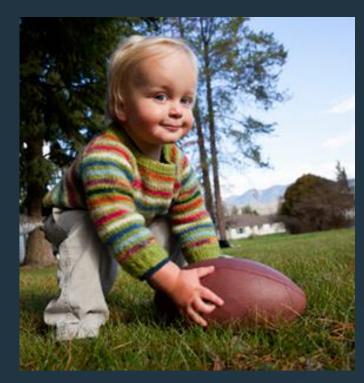
--Coach Vince Lombardi

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Skills take time

HS quarterbacks don't start playing their freshmen year.









It's time to see our students, not as test-takers,

But as LANGUAGE USERS . . .

We need to see ourselves as **OPPORTUNITY PROVIDERS**.



Mission: Advocate for a K-12 Vision



K - 8
Language
Acquisition:
Expanding
Vocabulary

9 - 12

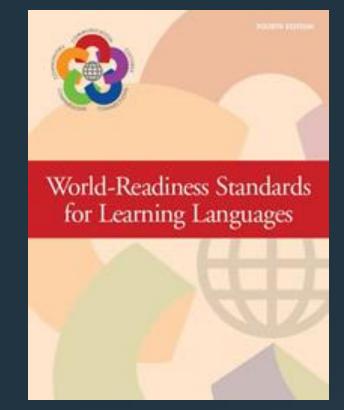
Cognition: Expanding Language Functions & Global Perspectives

13 – 16 and beyond

Application: Expanding Opportunity



WORLD-READINESS STANDARDS FOR LEARNING LANGUAGES



What would motivate my students?







"Interest is a psychological state of engagement. . . Interest acts as an APPROACH urge and pushes back the AVOID urges that keep us safe. Interest pulls us forward."



What engages students?



Is it time to switch gears?





Connecting language learning to students' careers interests increases retention and parental support.



Culture







What careers celebrate culture?



Communication

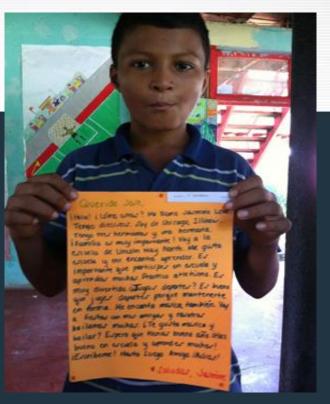






Community



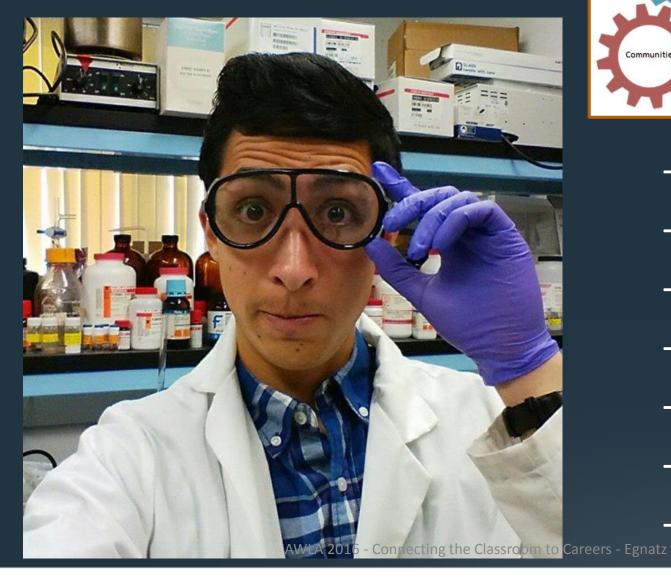








Connections





- -History
- -Art
- -Math
- -Music
- -Sports
- -Business
- --SCIENCE!



Why sciences? Or any other subject?

- It interests them
- Make a connection
- **Increase retention**
- It's cultural
- **Crosses the curriculum**
- It's authentic practice





Authentic Resources

Veda parcial 62 especies

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DESTRUCCIÓN

24 6 11 3 Aves Mamíferos Reptiles Anfibios

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Fuente: DIRECCIÓN DE BIODIVERSIDAD-MARENA

Peces Moluscos Crustáceos











GRANADA / Hallan perdido en la cumbre del Mulhacén (3.482 metros) a un 'sin papeles' de Mali / 15

'Crack' mundial en las Bolsas por la crisis hipotecaria en EEUU despretado a las vectimas de ETA



Cientos de muertos al devastar un seísmo una región pobre de Perú

EL PAIS

"Que UPN

quiera un grupo

parlamentario

propio no debe



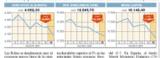
Un terremoto en Perú arrasa cuatro su poter para dictar expensaciones ciudades y causa cientos de muertos dictar exprop

La búsqueda de supervivientes continúa pese a la falta de agua, luz y alimentos

und technical Una larga noche

esperando la muerte El edificio tembló

Las Bolsas se desploman presas del pánico Serrat & Sabina





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Integrated Performance Assessments

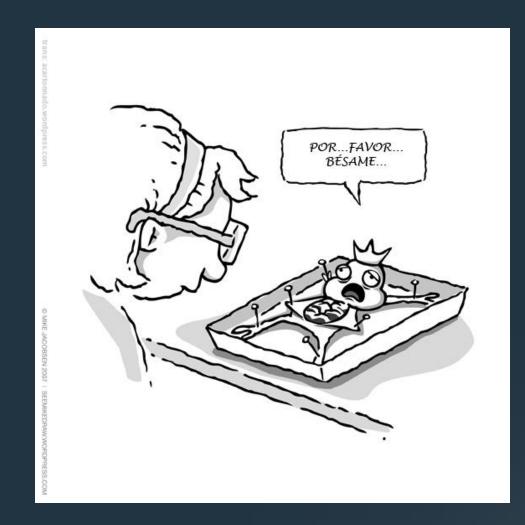


Language Functions:

- Inquiry
- Comprehension
- Descriptive Narrative
- Giving Directions
- Compare and Contrast
- Hypothesis If/then
- Oral Presentation
- Interpersonal Q & A



Mix it up! Language – Science -- Humor



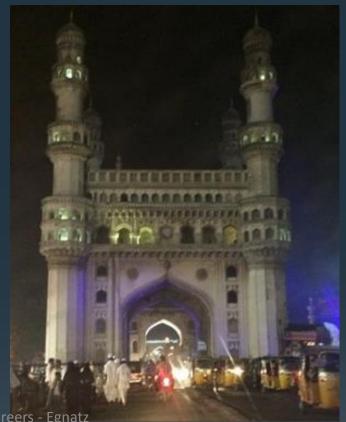




Comparisons









Discover your students' career interests.

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- Surveys
- Want-Ads
- Job Interviews
- Applications
- Projects & Presentations



✓ Monster México

√ OCCMundial México

✓ Zona Jobs México

✓ Qué te distingue del resto

Y lo más importante la

CREATIVIDAD



Try a Seating Chart based upon career interests

- Medical
- Science / Technology
- Education
- Engineering / Architecture
- Business / Accounting
- Law / Political Science / Law Enforcement
- Creative Arts





Differentiate activities based on career interests

- Vocabulary w/Focus: Bananagrams, Application
- Inquiry-based activities, projects, presentations
- Readings, Podcasts, video/printed news
- Role-plays
- Job listings, create resumes / C.V.s
- Career-focused readings, infographs
- Personalized vocabulary lists





Describing myself (Novice – Intermediate)









Keep Up with Past Students

- Email occasionally
- Invite them to present to your class about college language experience
- Encourage them to travel abroad Skype or blog with your current students
- Share job successes and language connections
- Bulletin Board w/postcards, letters, photos
- Guest speakers





Share with a partner or your row what you're "taking away" from this presentation.

Learning must be intrinsically linked to personal motivation . . . Go back to your classrooms and make language learning PERSONAL!