

# Connections Activities

## Connections between Other Subjects and Foreign Languages

### Mathematics:

- Beginning Level- Numbers, adding, subtraction, multiplication and division. Telling time, days of the week and months. Measurement: convert weight and height to meters and kilos.
- Intermediate- Currency conversations for shopping, converting prices on menus or salaries for various jobs and so on.

### Science:

- Target language contributions to science: Famous scientists, centers for science study, products used in science from target language countries
- Weather terms
- Study of flora and fauna of Target language regions
- Discussions on ecological issues
- Health units: Illness, vaccinations, medications.

### Social Studies:

- Geography- Study of countries that speak the target language. Learning Geographical terms in the Target language.
- History- Study history of target language countries. Influence of Target language countries on our own history. Famous Target language historical figures.
- Economics: Economic bases of Target language countries. The United Nations.
- Governmental- Governmental systems and leaders of Target Language nations.

Language Arts:

- Discuss rhetorical devices (simile, metaphor) rhyme and rhythm, genres, plot devices, characterization, and style
- Speech/broadcasting: Videotape presentations to send overseas or show to parents
- Writing Techniques: Elements of composition, process-writing, textual analysis.
- Reading: Identify themes and main ideas, graphic organizers to keep track of information.

**The above topics can be done at any level, with these differences:**

**Beginner Level**: Primary focus on vocabulary, naming and identifying objects and people.

**Intermediate Level**: Basic discussion of subjects such as Geography, mathematical problems, or history in sentence form. Reading short articles on science and writing speeches or reports for other classes on information learned in foreign language class.

**Advanced Level**: Presenting reports in the target language orally and /or in writing on topics being studied in other classes. Writing reports for other classes using sources written in the target language.

## Webbing Ideas

Choose a word or an idea (or a book or story) as the central focus and spin the web around the center with ideas from the various content areas.

Complete the following graphic representation.

Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	Music	Art	Phy. Ed/ Health