

FOREIGN LANGUAGE IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (FLES)

“ESPAÑOL PARA TI” VIDEO/DVD PROGRAM

GRADE THREE

GOALS

The goals of the third grade “Español para ti” Video/DVD program are to enhance students’ cultural knowledge and to continue the development of listening and speaking skills, enabling children to communicate their wants and needs in greater detail. Students will also begin to associate the spoken with the written symbol as they gradually recognize sound/symbol correspondence in Spanish.

The third grade video/DVD program is based on the principles of spiral learning which states that language acquisition takes place over time when there is ample opportunity for review and practice, and that mastery of concepts requires constant repetition. Therefore, the third-grade lessons revisit much of the curriculum taught in the first and second grades and presents new vocabulary, structures, and cultural concepts.

When **listening**, the children will augment basic vocabulary, structures, and expressions essential for everyday communication. When **speaking**, the children will respond to more simple questions, statements and commands using words, phrases, songs, and in some instances, short sentences. For the study of **culture**, students will continue their exploration of Hispanic customs. In **literacy** the Spanish alphabet is taught and students begin to explore sound/symbol correspondence. The FLES Video/DVD Guide provides a complete overview of the third grade Spanish curriculum which includes: listening, speaking, and cultural objectives for every lesson; accompanying reinforcement activities; and music activities. All activities are designed to be interactive and to accommodate various learning styles.

ESSENTIAL CONCEPTS, SKILLS, AND EXPERIENCES

TARGET VOCABULARY

- 8 positive commands
- 8 parts of the house
- 6 rooms of the house
- 6 furniture items
- 7 home appliances
- 10 sports and activities
- 3 meals of the day
- 8 fruits
- The alphabet in Spanish
- 8 home entertainment items

STRUCTURES

- Answer “¿Qué tiene la casa?” (What does the house have?)
- Answer “¿Cuántos hay?” (How many are there?)

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- Answer “¿Qué quieres hacer tú?” (What do you want to do?)
- Answer “¿Qué te gusta?” (What do you like?)
- Answer “¿Qué letra es?” (What letter is it?)
- Express “Escucho la música.” (I listen to the music.)

LITERACY

- Identify and write letters of the alphabet
- Read familiar words