

Foreign Language Lesson Plan

Secondary Education

<i>Objectives</i>	<p>Following this series of lessons students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speak with a student from another country • Be able to communicate in Spanish well enough to visit a Spanish-speaking country
<i>Overview</i>	<p>In this series of lessons students will speak through Google Talk Video with students from a class in a Spanish-speaking country to increase their communication skills with a fluent speaker. Additionally, they will be able to help their Spanish-speaking partner with English.</p>
<i>Materials</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Computer (one per student)
<i>Procedures</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Before beginning the activity students should have the following background knowledge: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic knowledge of the Spanish language and how to form sentences. • Knowledge of the country their partner lives in (large cities, geographical location, attractions). 2. Knowledge of words used for transportation, food and drink, and tourist activities. 3. Students will be assigned a partner from another country (the international partners will be found by the teacher) and given a computer workstation on which they will sign onto their Google account. 4. Once online, the students will be able to chat "face to face" with their international partners, communicating about both the United States and their partner's country. The communication can be in both Spanish and English to help both students improve their language skills. 5. In the conversation the students should practice using phrases and words needed to communicate when traveling in a foreign country. 6. This activity can be repeated on a weekly basis to improve student's language skills. (Each week a topic may be assigned to help students talk about educational and relevant material.)
<i>Grading</i>	<p>Students will be graded mostly on participation, but a simple write up about their conversation will be handed in to ensure the students take the assignment seriously.</p>