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The grade 8 Chinese course is a communicative based course that was developed by the Fair Lawn World Language Department and aligned to the New Jersey World Language Student Learning Standards and the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages.

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## Chinese 8

### I. Course Synopsis

The Chinese 8 curriculum develops reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills aligned with the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for World Languages and the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages Proficiency Guidelines. Throughout the year, students will explore four thematic units which are each anchored by essential questions and the NCSSFL-ACTFL Can-Do Statements, culminating with performance assessments to benchmark the development of language proficiency. Students will engage in lessons that are differentiated, interactive, and characterized by authenticity. In addition, students will interact with a variety of authentic informational texts, dialogues and electronic sources in the target language related to our four central themes, which enables a high level of comprehensible input, and thus a higher level of critical thinking. Assessment will be on-going and substantially performance-based.

## II. Philosophy & Rationale

World language studies provide students with world wide connections and the understandings of the perspectives of other cultures. It is the goal of the World Language department to provide the students in this course with the ability to engage in meaningful conversation, to understand and interpret spoken and written language, and to present information, concepts, and ideas, while also gaining an understanding of the perspectives of other cultures, as well as, make connections with other content areas, compare the language and culture studied with their own, and participate in home and global communities, as stated in the NJ Student Learning Standards for World Language.

### A. Modes of Communication

The ability to communicate is at the heart of knowing another language. Communication can be characterized in many different ways. The approach used within the New Jersey and national standards is to recognize three communicative modes that place primary emphasis on the context and purpose of communication. The three modes are:

*The interpretive mode-* Students understand and interpret within the appropriate cultural context spoken and written communication. Examples of one way reading or listening includes but are not limited to the cultural interpretation of texts, movies, radio and television broadcasts and speeches. Interpretation differs from comprehension because it implies the ability to listen “between the lines.”

*The interpersonal mode-* Students engage in direct oral and/or written communication. Examples involving two way interactive communication are conversing face-to-face or exchanging personal letters or email messages.

*The presentational mode-* Students present through oral and/or written communications information, concepts and ideas to an audience of listeners or readers with whom there is no immediate personal contact. Examples of this

“one to many” mode of communication are making a presentation to a group or writing an article for the school newspaper.

**B. Proficiency Level and Grade Level Performance Benchmarks according to the New Jersey State World Languages Standard Learning Progressions:**

<http://www.state.nj.us/education/cccs/2014/wl/>

Upon completion of the Grade 8 World Language Curriculum, students will be able to perform at the Novice-Mid or Novice-High Proficiency Level Performance Benchmarks. The proficiency level will be specific to the individual student’s language progression.

**Novice-Mid Proficiency Level Performance Benchmarks:**

**Interpretive Mode**

Linguistic

The Novice-Mid language learner understands and communicates at the word level and can use memorized words and phrases independently to:

Respond to learned questions.

- Ask memorized questions.
- State needs and preferences.
- Describe people, places, and things.

Cultural

- Personal identity is developed through experiences that occur within one’s family, one’s community, and the culture at large. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: self, friends, family, pets, physical/personality descriptions, school, likes/dislikes, and pastimes.)
- Observing and participating in culturally authentic activities contribute to familiarization with cultural products and practices. (Topics and activities that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: authentic celebrations, songs, and dances.)

- Healthy eating habits and fitness practices may vary across cultures. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: foods, shopping, eating at home or in restaurants, and wellness practices.)
- Many products and practices related to home and community are shared across cultures; others are culture-specific. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: home life, places in the community, activities within the community, and travel.)
- What is perceived as “basic needs” varies among and within cultures. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: safety, food, shelter, and purchase and sale of goods such as toys, games, travel, and luxury items.)
- Maps, graphs, and other graphic organizers facilitate understanding of information on a wide range of topics related to the world and global issues. They make complex concepts more accessible to second-language learners who have limited proficiency in the language. (Content areas that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: history, economics, science, and geography.)
- Learning about age- and developmentally appropriate content that is of high interest to students and has a direct connection to the cultural contexts of the target language cultivates an awareness of the shared human experience. (Content that assists in the development of this understanding should include, but is not limited to: all content areas and popular culture.)

### **Interpersonal Mode**

#### Linguistic

The Novice-Mid language learner understands and communicates at the word level and can use memorized words and phrases independently to:

Respond to learned questions.

- Ask memorized questions.
- State needs and preferences.
- Describe people, places, and things.

#### Cultural

The Novice-Mid Cultural Content Statements remain the same for all the strands.

#### **Presentational Mode**

##### Linguistic:

The Novice-Mid language learner understands and communicates at the word level and can use memorized words and phrases independently to:

- Make lists.
- State needs and preferences.
- Describe people, places, and things.

#### Cultural

The Novice-Mid Cultural Content Statements remain the same for all the strands.

#### **Novice-High Proficiency Level Performance Benchmarks:**

#### **Interpretive Mode**

##### Linguistic

The Novice-High language learner has progressed from understanding and communicating at the word level to understanding and communicating at the sentence level and can use words, lists, and simple sentences to:

- Identify the main idea and some supporting details when reading.
- Understand the gist and some supporting details of conversations dealing with everyday life.
- Infer the meaning of some unfamiliar words when used in familiar contexts.

#### Cultural

- Immigration changes both the community of origin and the new community.  
(Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but

are not limited to: current and past immigration patterns, the impact of immigration on society, and related issues.)

- The study of another language and culture deepens understanding of where and how people live and why events occur. (Content areas that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: history, science, economics, and geography.)
- Due to globalization and advances in technology, the products and practices of a culture change over time, and these changes may impact cultural perspectives. (Content areas that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: science, technology, history, social sciences, the visual and performing arts, and world literature.)
- Human and animal migration are often related to the availability of resources and the ability to adapt to the environment. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: habitats, animals, weather, science, geography, social sciences, and distribution of resources.)
- Personal preferences and skills are key factors to consider when making decisions about postsecondary plans. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: personal likes/dislikes, subject-area preferences, academic record, and career awareness, exploration and preparation.)
- The amount of leisure time available and how it is spent varies among cultures. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: likes/dislikes, pastimes schedules, and travel.)
- Wellness practices may vary across cultures. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: sports and physical fitness activities and common health conditions/problems and remedies.)

- Online newspapers, magazines, blogs, wikis, podcasts, videos, and government websites provide current information on perspectives of the target culture on local, national, and global problems/issues. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: current events and contemporary and emerging global issues, problems, and challenges [e.g., population growth and migration; environmental degradation and protection; discrimination and other conflicts; and the allocation of scarce resources].)
- Current trends and issues influence popular culture. (Topics that assist in the development of this understanding should include, but are not limited to: fashion, style, popular music, art, and pastimes.)

### **Interpersonal Mode**

#### Linguistic

The Novice-High language learner has progressed from understanding and communicating at the word level to understanding and communicating at the sentence level and can use words, lists, and simple sentences independently to:

- Ask and answer questions related to everyday life.
- Handle simple transactions related to everyday life:
  - Initiate, maintain, and end a conversation.
  - Ask for and give permission.
  - Express needs.
  - Give reasons.
  - Request, suggest, and make arrangements.
  - Extend, accept, and decline an invitation.
  - Express an opinion and preference.

#### Cultural

The Novice-High Cultural Content Statements remain the same for all the strands.

### **Presentational Mode**

#### Linguistic



The Novice-High language learner has progressed from understanding and communicating at the word level to understanding and communicating at the sentence level and can use words, lists, and simple sentences independently to:

- Handle simple transactions related to everyday life:
  - Express needs.
  - Give reasons.
  - Express an opinion and preference.
  - Request and suggest.

### Cultural

The Novice-High Cultural Content Statements remain the same for all the strands.

### C. “Can Do” Statements

The NCSSFL-ACTFL Can-Do Statements are self-assessment checklists used by language learners to assess what they “can do” with language in the Interpersonal, Interpretive, and Presentational modes of communication. The checklists are best used by learners and learning facilitators as part of an overall reflective learning process that includes:

- setting goals
- selecting strategies
- self-assessing
- providing evidence
- reflecting before setting new goals

### D. Proficiency vs. Performance

The American Council of Teachers of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) advises us to measure students’ learning in terms of *proficiency* rather than performance. Language proficiency refers to a student’s ability to communicate spontaneously in a language in a non-rehearsed context. It also refers to the degree of skill with which a student uses culturally appropriate language to read, write, listen and interpret the target language in real-world scenarios. ACTFL has identified eleven different levels of language proficiency.

### E. Integrated Performance Assessment

The Integrated Performance Assessment (IPA) is a cluster assessment featuring three tasks, each of which reflects one of the three modes of communication--Interpretive, Interpersonal and Presentational. The three tasks are aligned within a single theme or content area, reflecting the manner in which students naturally acquire and use the language in the real world or the classroom. Each task provides the information and elicits the linguistic interaction that is necessary for students to complete the subsequent task. They are standards-based, performance-based, developmental in nature, integrative. IPAs are designed to be used with scoring rubrics to show expectations.

#### **F. Differentiated Instruction**

Differentiated instruction for students at different levels of achievement and specific learning needs (e.g. special education, English language learners, at-risk and Gifted and Talented) is embedded in targeted scaffolding based on a knowledge of each student's interests and assessment data.

### **III. Scope & Sequence**

There are four thematic units; the goal is to study each unit within one marking period. Vocabulary, Language Functions, and Culture are embedded in each unit.

### **IV. Unit Descriptions**

#### **Unit 1: Clothing**

##### **Enduring Understanding:**

Everyone expresses themselves differently, and clothing choices are just one way that we do so. Cultures use clothing to identify themselves as part of a group. Different cultures have their own traditional clothing that is representative of the people who wear it. Clothing choices and prices vary depending on the part of the world where one is.

##### **Essential Questions:**

1. How do I express myself by what I wear?
2. What do people in the target culture commonly wear?
3. What do I have to know how to say in order to make a purchase?

**Can Do Statements:**

- I can greet and leave people in a polite way.
- I can state my clothing preferences
- I can identify and describe what someone is wearing.
- I can answer a few simple questions.
- I can recommend appropriate clothing for a season or activity
- I can ask for and give prices
- I can compare clothing items
- I can categorize
- I can ask for help in a store.
- I can introduce myself and provide basic personal information.
- I can answer questions about what I like and dislike.
- I can answer questions about what I am doing and what I did.
- I can answer questions about where I'm going or where I went.
- I can answer questions about something I have learned.

**Language Functions:**

- Agreeing/Disagreeing
- Asking for/Giving Information
- Comparing/Contrasting
- Complimenting
- Counting
- Describing objects
- Describing weather
- Expressing intentions
- Expressing likes/dislikes/preferences
- Expressing opinions
- Giving reasons and explaining causality
- Identifying
- Listing
- Reporting
- Stating ownership

**Suggested Vocabulary:**

- Clothing and Accessories
- Colors, fit, size words
- Categories of clothing
- Recycle weather terms, seasons, body parts, numbers
- Demonstrative adjectives

**Suggested Activities / Benchmark Assessments:**

- “Guess who” game
- Reading authentic catalogues/clothing ads/fashion magazines
- Picture prompts
- Role play: “What outfit should I wear?”
- Describe a trip to a mall
- Conduct a fashion show
- Use a designated website to shop within a prescribed budget
- Perform a skit between a salesperson and customer
- Student self-assessments

**Unit 2: Travel****Enduring Understanding:**

The experiences that one encounters while traveling can open your mind to so many different things. In this unit, students will examine the different places one can visit, how one can travel and what one might see there. Students will be able to discuss a trip that they have taken and how it affected them. Additionally, students will examine the geography and travel possibilities in different Chinese speaking countries.

**Essential Questions:**

1. What enrichment can travel bring?
2. How do I prepare to travel?
3. Where and how do people travel around the world?

**Can Do Statements:**

- I can identify regions and countries of the target language

- I can use words and expressions related to the airport
- I can describe places that I've visited
- I can express my preferences for places I've visited
- I can prepare for a trip
- I can demonstrate an understanding of cultural differences associated with target region
- I can evaluate modes of transportation
- I can demonstrate an understanding of different currencies and exchange rates

**Language Functions:**

- Asking for/Giving information
- Describing events
- Describing places
- Describing objects
- Explaining
- Expressing how often, how well
- Expressing likes/dislikes/preferences
- Giving biographical information
- Giving directions
- Making appointments, arrangements, reservations
- Narrating
- Planning
- Recounting experiences/events
- Telling/Retelling stories

**Suggested Vocabulary:**

- Modes of transportation and adjectives to describe them
- Vacation activities
- Prepositions of location
- Sights to see

**Suggested Activities / Benchmark Assessments**

- Sequence dialogue activities
- Speaking prompts

- Picture prompts
- Research a city that uses the target language and prepare an itinerary
- Journal entries
- Student self-assessments
- Perform a skit
- Create a photo album/scrapbook documenting a trip

### **Unit 3: Movies/Technology**

#### **Enduring Understanding:**

In today's world, we encounter technology at every turn. While technology may be enjoyable and make our lives easier, it may also have some negative effects. Television shows and movies can help connect us with different cultures and time periods. Our television and movie preferences can often say something about who we are as individuals.

#### **Essential Questions:**

1. How do I connect with the world?
2. Does technology have a positive or negative influence on our lives?
3. What are the different elements of a movie or TV show?

#### **Can Do Statements:**

- I can identify and describe movie/tv/technology preferences
- I can discuss television shows/movies
- I can discuss how television / movies / technology affect our lives
- I can analyze appropriate readings related to the theme.
- I can identify current technologies
- I can examine the uses of current technologies
- I can debate the use of technology in the classroom.

#### **Language Functions:**

- Analyzing/interpreting
- Asking for/giving information
- Comparing/contrasting
- defining

- describing objects
- describing procedures, processes
- Evaluating
- Expressing how often, how well
- Expressing likes/dislikes/preferences
- Expressing opinions
- Identifying
- Recounting experiences/events
- Reporting
- Summarizing
- Telling time
- Telling/Retelling stories
- Accepting/refusing invitations
- Expressing interest/lack of interest/indifference or boredom
- Extending invitations
- Making appointments, arrangements, reservations
- Offering alternatives/solutions

**Suggested Vocabulary:**

- Movie Genres
- Television programs
- Descriptive Adjectives
- Frequency words
- Question words
- Time expressions
- Current Technologies
- Computer/Internet Terms

**Suggested Activities / Benchmark Assessments:**

- Vocabulary Quiz
- Survey classmates on their viewing habits
- Convert military time to standard time
- Debate positive and negative aspects of television
- Summarize a current TV show or movie for a “Name that Show game”
- Write a movie review

- Design and present original news clips using the preterit
- Read or view authentic entertainment materials
- Design a time line of a movie
- Complete an envelope task matching movies and translations
- Create, design and view commercials in the target language
- Extrapolate details from TV / Radio ads
- Speaking Test
- Create a promotional poster / commercial for a TV show / Movie
- Summarize a current TV show or Movie
- Interpret a TV timetable

#### **Unit 4: Future Endeavors**

##### **Enduring Understanding:**

Eighth graders will be embarking on a new journey to the high school and beginning to make plans for their futures. While the future is uncertain, everyone will map out their own future by making plans.

##### **Essential Questions:**

1. What will my future bring?
2. Are you an optimist or a pessimist about the future?
3. What are some educational or professional options for the future?
4. How will I help make a positive change in the future?

##### **Can Do Statements:**

- I can identify and express preferences about various professions.
- I can rate professions based on their preferences.
- I can make predictions for the future
- I can state my summer vacation plans
- I can identify volunteer opportunities abroad.
- I can make plans for the future.

##### **Language Functions:**

- Asking for/Giving information
- Describing people



- Describing places
- Explaining
- Expressing daily routines
- Expressing hope
- Expressing intentions
- Expressing interest/lack of interest/indifference or boredom
- Expressing needs/wishes/wants
- Giving biographical information
- Giving reasons and explaining causality
- Hypothesizing
- Planning
- Presenting information
- Reporting
- Speculating on the future
- Talking about the future

**Suggested Vocabulary:**

- Professions
- Recycle around town vocabulary
- School subjects / College majors
- School / College / Career Vocabulary
- Future time expressions (next week, in 20 years)
- Recycle travel vocabulary

**Suggested Activities / Benchmark Assessments:**

- Plan a trip for the summer vacation
- Write job descriptions for a “Who am I” game
- Read horoscopes to find out your future
- Create a time capsule making predictions about the future
- Read / Extrapolate details from authentic readings (resumes, job listing, etc.)

**V. Core Instructional Materials:**

Suggested materials that teachers use are, but are not limited to:

- authentic readings found online
- authentic readings found in newspapers, magazines
- culturally/linguistically appropriate videos found on websites such as [www.cctv.com](http://www.cctv.com), [www.askasia.org/teachers](http://www.askasia.org/teachers), [www.afk.com](http://www.afk.com), [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com), [www.teachertube.com](http://www.teachertube.com),
- online game resources found on websites such as [www.chineseinput.com](http://www.chineseinput.com)
- Our WL teacher website
- Everyday Chinese for Children I,II,III (遠東天天中文) (Textbook)
- Everyday Chinese for Youth I (遠東少年中文) (Textbook)

## VI. Assessments

### Formative Assessments

- Vocabulary Practice
- Exit Tickets
- Think, Pair, Share
- Speaking Practice
- Inside / Outside circle
- Deductive Reasoning Reading
- Envelope activities
- AB Information Gap activities
- Class surveys
- Anecdotal Notes on Partner, Small-Group, and Whole-Group Discussion
- Socratic Class Discussion / Lecture Notes / Participation
- Weekly Journal Prompts – with Double Entry Journals
- Rough Drafts

### Summative Assessments

- Vocabulary Quizzes
- Integrated Performance Assessments
- Recorded Speaking
- Skit / Dialogue
- Presentational writing
- Projects
- Presentations

**VII. Suggested Modifications and Accommodations for Special Education, ELL, At-Risk, and Gifted Students**

<b><u>ACCOMODATIONS</u></b>			
Preferential seating	Repeating/ simplifying of directions	Ample use of visuals	Use of manipulatives
Strategic/flexible grouping and pairing	Clear visual, verbal and demonstrative modeling	Kinesthetic activities Rhythm, music, body movements	Use of graphic organizers
Ample wait time before calling on students	Think/Pair/Share	Teach vocab in context, and in small chunks	Frequent repetition
Student self-assessment, self-monitoring of progress	Have students set personal growth goals	Break down assignments into manageable parts/tasks	Learning centers or stations that address varied activities, skills, learning modalities
<b><u>MODIFICATIONS</u></b>			
<b><u>Speaking</u></b> <u>Provide:</u> -sentence starters -processing time -cues and prompts -embedded choices -practice time	<b><u>Groups/Pairs</u></b> <u>Teach:</u> -rules and expectations -skills of independence – bridging phrases, disagreeing agreeably, voice level -strategies for	<b><u>Reading</u></b> <u>Use:</u> -peer tutoring -label main ideas -label 5 W’s -visual imagery -graphic organizers <u>Allow:</u> -Highlighting of key words/concepts -Silent pre-reading	<b><u>Writing</u></b> -Shorten task -Require lists rather than sentences <u>Allow:</u> -note-taking -visual representation of ideas -collaborative writing -Brainstorm word

	moving in and out of groups -signal for getting teacher's attention <u>Allow:</u> Flexible grouping Adequate/extra time Assign group roles	-Partner reading <u>Teach:</u> -Pre-reading strategies -'During' reading strategies -Post-reading strategies	bank -Pre-writing with graphic organizers <u>Provide:</u> -Model of writing -Structure for writing -Fill-in-blank form for note-taking
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### VIII. New Jersey Student Learning Standards

- New Jersey Student Learning Standards  
<http://www.state.nj.us/education/cccs/2014/wl/WL-1-NH.pdf>

7.1.NH.A.1 Recognize familiar words and phrases, understand the main idea, and infer the meaning of some highly contextualized, unfamiliar spoken or written words in culturally authentic materials using electronic information and other sources related to targeted themes.

7.1.NH.A.2 Demonstrate comprehension of a series of oral and written directions, commands, and requests through appropriate physical response.

7.1.NH.A.3 Recognize some common gestures and cultural practices associated with target culture(s).

7.1.NH.A.4 Identify people, places, objects, and activities in daily life based on oral or written descriptions.

7.1.NH.A.5 Demonstrate comprehension of short conversations and brief written messages on familiar topics.

7.1.NH.A.7 Occasionally infer the meaning of a few unfamiliar words in highly contextualized situations.

7.1.NH.A.8 Identify some unique linguistic elements in English and the target language.

7.1.NH.B.1 Use digital tools to exchange basic information by recombining memorized words, phrases, and sentences on topics related to self and targeted themes.

7.1.NH.B.2 Give and follow a series of oral and written directions, commands, and requests for participating in age- and level appropriate classroom and cultural activities.

7.1.NH.B.3 Imitate appropriate gestures, intonation, and common idiomatic expressions of the target culture(s)/language during daily interactions.

7.1.NH.B.4 Ask and respond to questions, make requests, and express preferences in various social situations.

7.1.NH.B.5 Converse on a variety of familiar topics and/or topics studied in other content areas.

7.1.NH.C.2 Create and present brief messages, poems, rhymes, songs, short plays, or role-plays using familiar vocabulary orally or in writing.

7.1.NH.C.3 Describe in writing people and things from the home and school environment.

7.1.NH.C.4 Tell or retell stories from age- and level-appropriate, culturally authentic materials orally or in writing.

7.1.NH.C.5 Tell or write about cultural products associated with the target culture(s) and identify how the products and practices are derived from the cultural perspectives.

- Technology standards (<http://www.state.nj.us/education/cccs/2014/tech/>):

8.1.12.A.2 Produce and edit a multi-page document for a commercial or professional audience using desktop publishing and/or graphics software

8.1.12.C.1 Develop an innovative solution to a complex, local or global problem or issue in collaboration with peers and experts, and present ideas for feedback in an online community.

- Workplace readiness standards  
(<http://www.state.nj.us/education/cccs/1996/05ccwrready.html>):

7.1.15 Explore employment opportunities where languages are advantageous.

7.2.13 Use technology to enhance language acquisition, and to acquire current cultural information, in order to develop more accurate impressions of the culture studied.

7.2.8 Examine interrelationships between the language and the culture of a given group of people, as evidenced in literary works.

7.1.17 Communicate and interact in a limited range of task-oriented and social situations.

- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Content Standards  
(<http://www.state.nj.us/education/cccs/standards/9/#91>):

9.1.12.A.1 Apply critical thinking and problem-solving strategies during structured learning experiences.

9.1.12.B.1 Present resources and data in a format that effectively communicates the meaning of the data and its implications for solving problems, using multiple perspectives.

### **VIII. Interdisciplinary Connections and Alignment to Technology standards**

The following topics have connections to other content areas:

- Social Studies - (Geography of Target Language Countries, Immigration, Service Learning)

6.1.8.B.1.b Analyze the world in spatial terms (e.g., longitude, latitude) using historical maps to determine what led to the exploration of new water and land routes.

6.1.12.B.1.a Explain how geographic variations (e.g., climate, soil conditions, and other natural resources) impacted economic development in the New World.

6.1.4.D.3 Evaluate the impact of voluntary and involuntary immigration on America's growth as a nation, historically and today.

6.1.4.D.18 Explain how an individual's beliefs, values, and traditions may reflect more than one culture.

6.1.4.D.19 Explain how experiences and events may be interpreted differently by people with different cultural or individual perspectives.

6.1.4.D.20 Describe why it is important to understand the perspectives of other cultures in an interconnected world.

- Math - Currency Exchange Rates, Metric System

NJSLS.MATH.CONTENT.3.MD.B.3 Draw a scaled picture graph and a scaled bar graph to represent a data set with several categories. Solve one- and two-step "how many more" and "how many less" problems using information presented in scaled bar graphs

NJSLS.MATH.CONTENT.6.RP.A.3 Use ratio and rate reasoning to solve real-world and mathematical problems, e.g., by reasoning about tables of equivalent ratios, tape diagrams, double number line diagrams, or equations.

- English - Central Idea/Summarizing, Transition words, Sequencing of events

NJSLS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.8.2 Determine a central idea of a text and analyze its development over the course of the text, including its relationship to supporting ideas; provide an objective summary of the text.

NJSLS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.8.6 Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author acknowledges and responds to conflicting evidence or viewpoints.

NJSLS.ELA-LITERACY.RI.8.7 Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of using different mediums (e.g., print or digital text, video, multimedia) to present a particular topic or idea.

NJSLS.ELA-LITERACY.W.8.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.

- Technology - *See above*
- 21st Century Life and Careers - *See above*