Essential Understandings	 Language enables communication. Language is inextricably linked to culture. Western languages have certain structural similarities
Essential Questions	 How are children treated in other societies? What childhood experiences can be considered universal?
Essential Knowledge	 School is compulsory in France. The French value their educational system. There are similarities and differences for children growing up in French and American cultures.
Vocabulary	 <u>Terms</u>: memory/nostalgia, school terms, childhood play/recreation, genders of nouns, partitives v. definite articles, review of all indicative tenses, review of relative pronouns <i>qui</i> & <i>que</i>, review of object pronouns, the subjunctive
Essential Skills	 Narrate childhood experiences. Express opinions. Discuss the French and American school systems. Express <i>who, whom, which, that</i> in complex sentences. Refer to people and things already mentioned. Use common expressions requiring the subjunctive.
Related Maine Learning Results	 World Languages A. Communication A1. Interpersonal Students express their own thoughts and opinions about familiar topics and elicit the thoughts and opinions of others by using strings of sentences and/or short paragraphs. Students of modern languages use pronunciation and intonation which would be comprehensible to a native speaker accustomed to interacting with language learners. a. Interact in a variety of social situations including formal and informal personal exchanges and/or phone inquiries. b. Provide and exchange detailed information on familiar topics, orally and in writing. c. Describe and explain states of being, orally and in writing. d. Express agreement and disagreement, orally and in writing, supporting opinions with simple reasoning.

	A2. Interpretive
	Students comprehend conversations, narratives, and recorded
	material in familiar contexts that are longer and/or more
	complex that those in the 6-8 span.
	a. Identify main ideas, topics and specific information in a
	variety of authentic written materials.
	 Identify main ideas, topics, and specific information in
	authentic films.
	 Identify main ideas, topics, and specific information in
	authentic oral/signed materials.
	A3. Presentational
	Students express their own thoughts to describe and narrate in
	oral and written presentations using strings of sentences and/or
	short paragraphs and with sufficient accuracy in form and
Related	pronunciation that could be understood by native speakers
Maine Learning	accustomed to interacting with language learners.
Results	 Read authentic passages aloud with appropriate
	pronunciation, phrasing, and intonation.
	b. Relate a story about a personal experience or event orally.
	c. Paraphrase and/or summarize texts orally and in writing
	using a presentational format.
	d. Write brief narrative compositions and
	expository/informational compositions.
	e. Give oral presentations on familiar subjects related to a
	culture in which the target language is spoken.
	A4. Language Comparisons
	Students use their understanding of the nature of language to
	enhance their communication in the target language. a. Compare a variety of grammatical structures and syntax
	between languages.
	b. Identify examples of vocabulary in both languages that do
	not translate directly from one language to another.
	c. Use idiomatic expressions and/or proverbs in the target
	language.
	d. Identify examples of vocabulary (in English and the target
	language) that convey different meanings in different
	contexts.

	B. Culture
	B1. Practice and Perspectives
	Students identify and explain how perspectives of a culture(s)
	are related to cultural practices of a culture(s) in which the
	target language is spoken
	 Identify and explain the reason behind significant practices
	of a culture(s) in which the target language is spoken.
	 Describe stereotypes associated with perspectives of a
	culture(s) in which the target language is spoken.
	c. Identify differences in cultural practices among peoples that
	speak the same language.
	B2. Products and Perspectives
	Students explain how political structures, historical artifacts,
	literature, and/or visual and performing arts reflect the
	perspectives of a culture(s) in which the target language is
Related	spoken.
Maine Learning	B3. Comparison with Own Culture
Results	Students explain how products, practices, and perspectives of a
	culture(s) in which the target language is spoken contribute to
	the culture in which the student lives.
	 Identify and compare influential figures from the two
	cultures.
	b. Explain the reasons for a variety of similarities and
	differences between the culture in which the student lives
	and the culture(s) in which the target language is spoken.
	c. Use the target language in a manner that would be
	considered appropriate by native speakers and explains
	what makes it appropriate communication.
	C. Connections
	C1. Knowledge of Other Learning Results Content Areas
	Students use the target language to enhance their knowledge
	of other Learning Results content areas.
	a. Provide examples of grammatical knowledge acquired in the
	target language that are used to achieve a better
	understanding of grammatical structures in English.
	b. Provide examples of information gathered through target
	language resources that are applied in other Learning
	Results content areas.

Related Maine Learning Results	 C2. Distinctive Viewpoints Students locate authentic resources and describe ideas about the target language and associated culture(s) that are available only through sources in the target language. a. Interpret short prose, poetry, or plays in the target language that reflect the culture(s) in which the target language is spoken and make connections to the viewpoints of the culture associated with the target language(s). b. Located selected magazines, newspapers, authentic entertainment media an electronic media in the target language and use these media as the basis for describing the viewpoints of the culture associated with the target language(s). c. Locate selected magazines, newspapers, authentic entertainment media, and electronic media in the target language and describe viewpoints of a culture in which the target language is spoken. D. Communities D1. Communities D1. Communities Students demonstrate their understanding an use their knowledge of the target language to communicate with target language speakers and to understand the importance of culture and language in the 21st century. a. Interact with people, either in the community or online, who use the target language in their professions. b. Independently access a variety of target language sources for one's own entertainment or enrichment. c. Explain how personal, educational, and career opportunities are expanded and enhanced by knowledge of the target language and associated culture(s).
Sample	 target language. Poetry recitation
Lessons	 In-class writing
And	 Reading, discussion, analysis
Activities	
Sample	Quizzes
Classroom	 Skits
Assessment	 Essays
Methods	 Listening comprehension
	 Reading comprehension

	Publications :
	 <u>Une Fois Pour Toutes</u> (Longman Publishing)
	 <u>La Dernière Leçon (Alphonse Daudet)</u>
	 <u>Départ Pour l'Ecole (extrait de L'Enfant Noir - Camara</u>
Sample	Laye)
Resources	 <u>Le Chandail</u> (Roch Carrier)
	 <u>La Machine à détecter tout ce qui est américain</u> (Roch
	Carrier)
	 Newspaper and magazine articles
	Videos:
	o <u>Le Chandail</u>
	 <u>Le Petit Nicolas</u> (Sempé-Goscinny)
	 Films – L'Argent de Poche, Les 400 Coups