

# Unit 1 (Uno) - Global Challenges: Environment

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# ITALIAN 4AP, 12

# GLOBAL CHALLENGES: ENVIRONMENT

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## **Unit Overview**

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### **Unit 1 - Global Challenges: Environment**

#### Nature & Environmental Vocabulary

- Geographical Descriptions
- carbon footprints

#### Grammar review:

- adjective agreement with nouns
- articles
- present tense verbs - regular & irregular conjugations
- imperatives

#### Sample activities may include:

- Debate issues
- Respond to forum prompts provided by the teacher or other students
- Write summaries
- Write persuasive / comparative essays

- Provide personal response and interpretation of material
- Answer multiple-choice comprehension questions
- Write emails
- Prepare and give oral presentations
- Games and activities to practice specific grammatical concepts

## **Enduring Understanding**

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**Students will understand that:**

- Regional geographic differences can result in social, economic and political differences.
- Natural resources determine a nation's wealth.
- The content of the world languages classroom encompasses the entire learning experience.
- Cultural perspectives are gained by using the language through experience with its products and practices.

## **Essential Questions**

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**Students will keep considering:**

- What environmental, political and social issues pose challenges to societies throughout the world?
- What are the origins of those issues?
- What are possible solutions to those challenges?

## **Exit Skills**

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**Students will be able to discuss and write about:**

- Diversity Issues / *Problemi di diversità*
- Economic Issues / *Questioni economiche*
- Environmental Issues / *Questioni ambientali*
- Health Issues / *Problemi di salute*
- Human Rights / *Diritti umani*
- Nutrition and Food Safety / *Nutrizione e sicurezza alimentare*

## **New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSL-S)**

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WL.7.1.IL.A.2	Demonstrate comprehension of oral and written instructions connected to daily activities through appropriate responses.
WL.7.1.IL.A.4	Use the target language to describe people, places, objects, and daily activities learned about through oral or written descriptions
WL.7.1.IL.A.5	Demonstrate comprehension of conversations and written information on a variety of topics.
WL.7.1.IL.B.1	Use digital tools to participate in short conversations and to exchange information related to targeted themes.
WL.7.1.IL.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.
WL.7.1.IL.B.4	Ask and respond to factual and interpretive questions of a personal nature or on school - related topics.
WL.7.1.IL.B.5	Engage in short conversations about personal experiences or events and/or topics studied in other content areas.
WL.7.1.IL.B.L.1.a	Ask and answer questions related to everyday life.
WL.7.1.IL.C.1	Use knowledge about cultural products and cultural practices to create a multimedia - rich presentation on targeted themes to be shared virtually with a target language audience.
WL.7.1.IL.C.3	Use language creatively to respond in writing to a variety of oral or visual prompts.

## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

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LA.W.11-12.6	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update individual or shared writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.
LA.SL.11-12.1	Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with peers on grades 11–12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
LA.L.11-12.2.B	Spell correctly.
LA.L.11-12.5	Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in word meanings.

## Learning Objectives

After completing this unit, students will be able to:

- **Read, Comprehend, Analyze, and Critique** written text and oral Languages
- **Understand** and **Apply** written and oral conventions to everyday interactions
- **Compare & Contrast** environmental concerns of Italy with those of the US
- **Debate** the issue of global warming / climate change
- **Evaluate** careers using Italian
- **Recognize** and **express** feelings / opinions

## Action Verbs

Below are examples of action verbs associated with each level of the Revised Bloom's Taxonomy. These are useful in writing learning objectives, assignment objectives and exam questions.

Remember	Understand	Apply	Analyze	Evaluate	Create
Choose	Classify	Choose	Categorize	Appraise	Combine
Describe	Defend	Dramatize	Classify	Judge	Compose
Define	Demonstrate	Explain	Compare	Criticize	Construct
Label	Distinguish	Generalize	Differentiate	Defend	Design
List	Explain	Judge	Distinguish	Compare	Develop
Locate	Express	Organize	Identify	Assess	Formulate
Match	Extend	Paint	Infer	Conclude	Hypothesize
Memorize	Give Examples	Prepare	Point out	Contrast	Invent
Name	Illustrate	Produce	Select	Critique	Make
Omit	Indicate	Select	Subdivide	Determine	Originate
Recite	Interrelate	Show	Survey	Grade	Organize
Select	Interpret	Sketch	Arrange	Justify	Plan
State	Infer	Solve	Breakdown	Measure	Produce
Count	Match	Use	Combine	Rank	Role Play
Draw	Paraphrase	Add	Detect	Rate	Drive
Outline	Represent	Calculate	Diagram	Support	Devise
Point	Restate	Change	Discriminate	Test	Generate
Quote	Rewrite	Classify	Illustrate		Integrate
Recall	Select	Complete	Outline		Prescribe
Recognize	Show	Compute	Point out		Propose
Repeat	Summarize	Discover	Separate		Reconstruct
Reproduce	Tell	Divide			Revise
	Translate	Examine			Rewrite
	Associate	Graph			Transform
	Compute	Interpolate			
	Convert	Manipulate			
	Discuss	Modify			
	Estimate	Operate			
	Extrapolate	Subtract			
	Generalize				
	Predict				



## Suggested Activities & Best Practices

Suggested Activities:

- Written comprehension activities;
- Reading comprehension activities;
- Oral practice;
- Interactive games;
- Integrate technology (e.g. Kahoot!, Escape Rooms, Seesaw, etc.)

Exemplar: Work collaboratively in pairs or groups to create, revise and present script on student choice unit topic in Seesaw video project.

## **Assessment Evidence - Checking for Understanding (CFU)**

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- Evaluation & Oral presentation rubrics
  - Group activities
  - "Do Now" activities
  - Peer assessment
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- Admit Tickets
  - Anticipation Guide
  - Common Benchmarks
  - Compare & Contrast
  - Create a Multimedia Poster
  - DBQ's
  - Define
  - Describe
  - Evaluate
  - Evaluation rubrics
  - Exit Tickets
  - Explaining
  - Fist- to-Five or Thumb-Ometer
  - Illustration
  - Journals
  - KWL Chart
  - Learning Center Activities
  - Multimedia Reports
  - Newspaper Headline
  - Outline
  - Question Stems
  - Quickwrite
  - Quizzes
  - Red Light, Green Light
  - Self- assessments
  - Socratic Seminar
  - Study Guide
  - Surveys

- Teacher Observation Checklist
- Think, Pair, Share
- Think, Write, Pair, Share
- Top 10 List
- Unit review/Test prep
- Unit tests
- Web-Based Assessments
- Written Reports

## **Primary Resources & Materials**

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District Text Books provided for each language.

## **Ancillary Resources**

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- Current event articles
- Internet / Video clips / Virtual tours
- Teacher-generated materials

## **Technology Infusion**

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World language websites & resources are provided on Edlio class website and in class assignments like Google Classroom, Seesaw, Kahoot!, etc.

Exemplar: Create a 10-15 question Kahoot game using the vocabulary and grammar structures of their choice from the current unit to present to their peers during assessment reviews.



## Win 8.1 Apps/Tools Pedagogy Wheel

Podcasts  
Photostory 3  
Kid Story Builder  
Music Maker Jam  
Paint A Story  
Office 365  
MS PowerPoint  
Stack 'Em Up  
NqSquared Numbers  
Physamajig  
Xylophone 8

Wikipedia  
Skydrive  
Lync  
SkyMap  
Skype  
Office 365  
Puzzle Touch  
Easy QR  
Memorylage  
Life Moments  
Word Cloud Maker

Where's Waldo?  
MS Excel  
Flipboard  
Office 365  
Nova Mindmapping

Ted Talks  
Record Voice Pen



## **Alignment to 21st Century Skills & Technology**

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Mastery and infusion of **21st Century Skills & Technology** and their Alignment to the core content areas is essential to student learning. The core content areas include:

- English Language Arts;
- Mathematics;
- Science and Scientific Inquiry (Next Generation);
- Social Studies, including American History, World History, Geography, Government and Civics, and Economics;
- World languages;
- Technology;
- Visual and Performing Arts.

CRP.K-12.CRP2	Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.
CRP.K-12.CRP4	Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason.
CRP.K-12.CRP6	Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
CRP.K-12.CRP11	Use technology to enhance productivity.
CAEP.9.2.12.C.5	Research career opportunities in the United States and abroad that require knowledge of world languages and diverse cultures.
TECH.8.1.12.A.CS2	Select and use applications effectively and productively.
TECH.8.1.12.C.CS3	Develop cultural understanding and global awareness by engaging with learners of other cultures.
TECH.8.1.12.C.CS4	Contribute to project teams to produce original works or solve problems.

## **21st Century Skills/Interdisciplinary Themes**

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- Communication and Collaboration
- Media Literacy
- ICT (Information, Communications and Technology) Literacy

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- Creativity and Innovation
- Critical thinking and Problem Solving
- ICT (Information, Communications and Technology) Literacy
- Information Literacy
- Life and Career Skills
- Media Literacy

## **21st Century Skills**

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**21st Century Skills** that will be incorporated into this unit:

- Global Awareness
- Civic Literacy
- Environmental Literacy
- Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy
- Global Awareness
- Health Literacy

## **Differentiation**

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General Differentiations:

- Pairing oral instruction with visuals
- Repeat directions
- Use manipulatives
- Center-based instruction
- Multisensory approaches
- Additional time
- Student(s) work with assigned partner
- Visual presentation
- Assistive technology
- Small group setting

Hi-Prep Differentiations:

- Games and tournaments
- Group investigations
- Guided Reading
- Leveled rubrics
- Multiple intelligence options
- Project-based learning
- Stations/centers

- Tiered activities/assignments

## Lo-Prep Differentiations

- Choice of activities
- Flexible grouping
- Goal setting with students
- Jigsaw
- Open-ended activities
- Think-Pair-Share
- Reading buddies
- Varied supplemental materials

## **Special Education Learning (IEP's & 504's)**

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- Provide modifications as dictated in the student's IEP/504 plan
- additional time for skill mastery
- student working with an assigned partner
- check work frequently for understanding
- extended time on tests/ quizzes
- preferential seating
- Exemplar: Provide word bank on fill in the blank/recall assessments.

- printed copy of board work/notes provided
- additional time for skill mastery
- assistive technology
- behavior management plan
- Center-Based Instruction
- check work frequently for understanding
- computer or electronic device utilizes
- extended time on tests/ quizzes
- have student repeat directions to check for understanding

- highlighted text visual presentation
- modified assignment format
- modified test content
- modified test format
- modified test length
- multi-sensory presentation
- multiple test sessions
- preferential seating
- preview of content, concepts, and vocabulary
- Provide modifications as dictated in the student's IEP/504 plan
- reduced/shortened reading assignments
- Reduced/shortened written assignments
- secure attention before giving instruction/directions
- shortened assignments
- student working with an assigned partner
- teacher initiated weekly assignment sheet
- Use open book, study guides, test prototypes

## **English Language Learning (ELL)**

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Not applicable to World Language.

- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify
- allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning;
- allowing students to correct errors (looking for understanding)
- allowing the use of note cards or open-book during testing
- decreasing the amount of work presented or required
- having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
- modifying tests to reflect selected objectives
- providing study guides
- reducing or omitting lengthy outside reading assignments
- reducing the number of answer choices on a multiple choice test
- tutoring by peers
- using computer word processing spell check and grammar check features
- using true/false, matching, or fill in the blank tests in lieu of essay tests

## **At Risk**

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- tutoring by peers
  - having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
  - using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify
  - allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning
  - Exemplar: Encourage attendance at before school/after school tutoring program to allow for added one on one review and instruction time.
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- allowing students to correct errors (looking for understanding)
  - teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
  - allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning
  - allowing students to select from given choices
  - allowing the use of note cards or open-book during testing
  - collaborating (general education teacher and specialist) to modify vocabulary, omit or modify items to reflect objectives for the student, eliminate sections of the test, and determine how the grade will be determined prior to giving the test.
  - decreasing the amount of work presented or required
  - having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
  - marking students' correct and acceptable work, not the mistakes
  - modifying tests to reflect selected objectives
  - providing study guides
  - reducing or omitting lengthy outside reading assignments
  - reducing the number of answer choices on a multiple choice test
  - tutoring by peers
  - using authentic assessments with real-life problem-solving
  - using true/false, matching, or fill in the blank tests in lieu of essay tests
  - using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify

## **Talented and Gifted Learning (T&G)**

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- Create a plan to solve an issue presented in the class or in a text
  - Cluster grouping
  - Allow students to work at a faster pace
  - Above grade level placement option for qualified students
  - Exemplar: Allow students to create a lesson and teach the class using the medium of their choice as a teaching aid (Google slides, speech, SeeSaw activity or video)
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- Above grade level placement option for qualified students
  - Advanced problem-solving
  - Allow students to work at a faster pace

- Cluster grouping
- Complete activities aligned with above grade level text using Benchmark results
- Create a blog or social media page about their unit
- Create a plan to solve an issue presented in the class or in a text
- Debate issues with research to support arguments
- Flexible skill grouping within a class or across grade level for rigor
- Higher order, critical & creative thinking skills, and discovery
- Multi-disciplinary unit and/or project
- Teacher-selected instructional strategies that are focused to provide challenge, engagement, and growth opportunities
- Utilize exploratory connections to higher-grade concepts
- Utilize project-based learning for greater depth of knowledge

## **Sample Lesson**

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Unit Name: Global Challenges: Environment

NJSLS: See Flag

Interdisciplinary Connection: See Flag

Statement of Objective: SWDAT continue to explain vocabulary words, entirely in Italian, regarding nature and the environment pursuant to the AP syllabus. They will also continue to expand regular and irregular present conjugations through class discussions and / or group activities, in order to promote more sophisticated writing and conversation in Italian.

Anticipatory Set/Do Now: Culture Capsule / Quotation of the day – both TBD based on daily website

Learning Activity: 1) Choral repetition and writing definitions of vocabulary words, 2) Review conjugations & partitive.

Student Assessment/CFU's: Teacher observation. Aural/Oral discrimination.; Choral repetition

Materials: Vocabulary packets; dictionaries;

21st Century Themes and Skills: Global Awareness, Civic Literacy

Differentiation: 1) Multisensory presentation format; 2) Lectures/drills coupled with graphic organizers and/or handouts

Integration of Technology: Explore sources on my Edlio class website.; wordreference.com

