COMMUNICATING

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
 ask for and give simple information and assistance initiate and maintain short conversations about personal interests express basic information using hiragana and some katakana participate in a variety of familiar situations drawn from real life 	 introduce themselves and family members using appropriate relationship terms communicate needs, desires, and emotions appropriately describe events and experiences in logical progression exchange information orally and in writing using hiragana and katakana participate in a variety of familiar situations drawn from real life 	 exchange information on familiar topics, using hiragana, katakana, and some kanji (see second section of this appendix) in familiar Japanese linguistic patterns exchange ideas and opinions using both semiformal (masu/desu) and informal/plain forms describe or narrate events, situations, or experiences with some supporting detail interact in a variety of communicative situations drawn from real life 	 exchange detailed information on familiar topics and interests using specified kanji (see second section of this appendix) express plans, goals, and intentions give information and reasons to support points of view on various topics interact in a range of social and learning contexts

Acquiring Information

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
 locate and process information from age-appropriate Japanese-language resources to complete authentic tasks convey acquired information in oral and visual forms, and in writing using hiragana and some katakana record hiragana and katakana language items in logical categories 	 process information from age-appropriate Japanese-language resources to complete authentic tasks convey acquired information in oral and visual forms, and in writing using hiragana and katakana 	 use relevant information from a variety of ageappropriate Japaneselanguage resources to complete authentic tasks convey acquired information in oral and visual forms, and in writing using hiragana, katakana, and some kanji (see second section of this appendix) 	 research, analyse, and synthesize relevant information from several Japanese-language sources to complete authentic tasks convey acquired information in oral, visual, and written forms

EXPERIENCING CREATIVE WORKS

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
	view, listen to, and read creative works, and respond to them in various ways	• view, listen to, and read creative works, and respond to them in various ways	• view, listen to, and read creative works, and respond to them in various ways

Understanding Culture and Society

Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
demonstrate knowledge of basic concepts and terms that characterize Japanese culture and society compare Japanese culture with other cultures	demonstrate knowledge of basic concepts and terms that characterize Japanese culture and society discuss how cultural perceptions affect language and customs identify cultural content in Japanese- language resources	employ various culturally specific Japanese manners and gestures identify the characteristics of gender, age, relationships, situations, and occupations that affect the use of language in Japanese analyse similarities and differences between Japanese culture and their own cultures	demonstrate effective and culturally appropriate manners and behaviours in a variety of social and business settings adapt language to suit cultural context analyse cultural elements represented in a variety of Japanese- language resources