Descriptors of the curriculum for Basic Norwegian for language minorities

Language activities

End of level ISCED 1 - End of primary

1. Listening

- a. receive and give information and messages in a variety of situations (level 2)
- b. listen to others and respond to stories and descriptions (level 2)
- c. understand and make use of numbers and quantities in practical situations (level 2)

2. Reading

- a. make use of varied and appropriate reading strategies when working with different types of text (level 3)
- b.retrieve information from technical texts and use it to solve tasks (level 3)
- c. read fictional texts in different genres and present their own response and reading experience (level 3)

3. Spoken interaction (in a dialogue situation)

- a. talk about key persons and actions in a selection of fictional texts and texts taken from everyday life (level 2)
- b. take the floor, employ technical terms and concepts and participate actively in a variety of teaching situations (level 3)
- c. talk about how languages can express and help shape attitudes towards individuals and groups (level 3)

4. Spoken production (description, presentation, narrative, etc)

- a. tell about some local and key Norwegian personalities, places and events (level 2)
- b. conduct planned presentations by means of role play, drama, recitation or interview (level 3)
- c. present their own interpretations of persons and events in relevant work of fiction (level 3)

5. Writing expression (report, article, etc)

- a. make use of digital media to write and respond appropriately to messages (level 2)
- b. employ a varied vocabulary to express their feelings and opinions when writing (level 3)
- c. produce composite texts with pictures, decorations and a variety of typestyles (level 3)

6. Mediation (summary, report, translation etc)

- a. summarize and describe the content of films, plays, radio and TV programmes, and describe their own reactions to these (level 3)
- b. write summaries of texts about topical subjects from newspapers, periodicals and the Internet (level 3)
- c. present important themes in some key Norwegian texts (level 3)

A. Linguistic competences

1. Lexical competence

- a. master different strategies for learning new words and concepts (level 2)
- b. find and repeat in their own words information in specific technical texts (level 2)
- c. employ a varied vocabulary to express their feelings and opinions when writing (level 3)

2. Grammatical competence

- a. identify and describe different word classes and their functions (level 2)
- b. employ basic structures for sentence structure and cohesion (level 2)
- c. employ rules for orthography, punctuation and sentence structure when writing (level 3)

3. Semantic competence

- a. explain the significance of certain fixed expressions, important sayings and linguistic images (level 2)
- b. recognize the following linguistic tools: repetition, comparison and metaphor (level 3)
- c. compare irony and humour in different languages (level 3)

4. Orthographic competence

- a. master the Norwegian alphabet, both upper and lower case letters (level 1)
- b. associate letters with sounds and put sounds together to form words (level 1)
- c. employ rules for orthography, punctuation and sentence structure when writing (level 3)

5. Phonological competence

- a. express Norwegian speech sounds: vowels, consonants, consonant combinations and diphthongs (level 1)
- b. compare speech sounds, words and expressions in the mother tongue and Norwegian (level 1)
- c. enunciate clearly (level 2)

B. Sociolinguistic competence

- a. compare different lifestyles, traditions, social conventions and customs (level 2)
- b. talk about variation in spoken language, the use of voice and body language in different languages (level 3)
- c. explain how language and genres are used differently in different social contexts (level 3)

C. Pragmatic competences

1. Discursive competence

- a. structure texts with headings, an introduction and a conclusion (level 2)
- b. gives examples on how words and pictures work together in texts (level 2)

2. Functional competence

- a. write simple technical texts, composite texts, stories and letters (level 2)
- b. make use of digital media to write and respond appropriately to messages (level 2)
- c. speak about their interests, events and experience from everyday life and adapt this to a given situation, purpose or recipient (level 3)

3. Interactive competence

- a. receive and give information and messages in a variety of situations (level 2)
- b. express and give grounds for their personal views, and show respect of those of others (level 3)
- c. employ communication strategies in planned and unplanned situations in order to understand or make oneself understood (level 3)

METALINGUISTIC ACTIVITIES

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- a. talk about communication strategies (level 2)
- b. reflect on their experiences with different reading and learning strategies (level 3)
- c. reflect on their own command of several languages and its significance for their own learning of subjects and language