



## **Sample Thematic Unit Themes for Checkpoint A**

### **Friends, Foes, and Famous People**

*Who are your friends? Who might you consider a foe? And what makes someone famous?*

Anchor Topic: Identity

Related Topics: Family & Social Relationships; Technology, Media & Social Media

Key Language Functions: Exchange Information; Express Feelings; Describe People

### **Who Am I? Who Are You?**

*What makes you you? Who are the people around you and how do you relate to them?*

Anchor Topic: Identity

Related Topic: Family & Social Relationships

Key Language Functions: Exchange Information; Describe People

### **Keys to Success**

*How do you define success? What are some of the traits of successful people?*

Anchor Topic: School Life & Education

Related Topics: Identity; Technology, Media & Social Media; Earning a Living\*

Key Language Functions: Express Opinions; Give Advice

### **Oh, the Places You'll Go!**

*If you could go anywhere in the [language]-speaking world, where would you go, and why?*

Anchor Topic: Travel

Related Topics: Physical Environment, Climate, Weather & Geography;

Community & Neighborhood

Key Language Functions: Exchange Information; Identify Places & Times

### **Rites of Passage**

*What are some traditions that celebrate major milestones in your culture? How and when are they celebrated?*

Anchor Topic: Family and Social Relationships

Related Topics: Celebrations, Customs & Traditions; Shopping; Meal Taking & Food

Key Language Functions: Make, Accept & Refuse Invitations; Describe Places and Things



### **Good Times**

*What do you do for fun? What are some of the activities that bring you joy? With whom do you have fun?*

Anchor Topic: Leisure

Related Topics: Technology, Media & Social Media; Community & Neighborhoods

Key Language Functions: Ask for, Give, Accept or Reject Suggestions; Give Information;  
Narrate Habitual Actions

### **Sound Mind, Sound Body**

*What are the practices and products that help us to maintain good physical and mental health?*

Anchor Topic: Health and Wellness

Related Topics: Food and Meal Taking; Leisure

Key Language Functions: Express Feelings; Give Advice

### **Where's My Happy Place?**

*Which places make you the most happy? Who is there in your happy place with you?*

Anchor Topic: House and Home

Related Topics: Communities & Neighborhoods; Identity

Key Language Functions: Make Plans; Express Feelings; Describe Places

### **Needs and Wants**

*Do I really need everything that I want? How do I decide if something is a need or a want?*

Anchor Topic: Shopping

Related Topics: Food & Meal Taking; Community & Neighborhoods

Key Language Functions: Express Preferences; Exchange Information; Describe Things

### **Worlds of Wonder**

*How are the countries of the [language]-speaking world unique? What do they hold in common?*

Anchor Topic: Physical Environment, Climate, Weather & Geography

Related Topics: Celebrations, Customs & Traditions; Food & Meal Taking;  
Community & Neighborhoods

Key Language Functions: Exchange information About Places; Describe Places and Things; Compare

### **This, Not That: Ins, Outs and Top Ten Lists**

*Who decides what is "in" and what is "out"? How do we decide what is popular?*

Anchor Topic: Technology, Media & Social Media

Related Topics: Shopping; Leisure; Food & Meal Taking

Key Language Functions: Exchange Opinions; Agree or Disagree; Give Reasons



## **Let's Play**

*How do you most like to play? What are your favorite games? With whom do you play?*

Anchor Topic: Leisure

Related Topics: Health & Wellness; School & Education; Technology, Media & Social Media

Key Language Functions: Ask About, Make, Accept or Reject Suggestions; Give Directions

## **Imperial Rome**

*What was life like in Rome at the height of the Imperial Rome?*

Anchor Theme: Literature, Architecture & Art

Related Themes: Daily Life & Societal Institutions; Physical Environment, Geography & Travel; History, Government & Economics

Key Language Functions: Exchange Information; Describe

## **Latin Alive!**

*What elements of Roman culture can we find in our modern world? Where can we find Latin influences in English?*

Anchor Theme: Religion, Myths & Legends

Related Themes: Literature, Architecture & Art; Daily Life & Societal Institutions

Key Language Functions: Exchange Information; Present Information; Compare