

Language, Communication, and Culture Summer Camp

Grades: 6th -8th

Date: June 10, 2013 - July 3, 2013

Monday- Thursday

Time: 8:00AM- 12:00PM

Subjects Covered: This camp offers engaging Language Arts classes taught in fun-filled thematic units where middle-school students develop English and/or Spanish language, communication, and critical thinking skills. Select classes from an exciting array of course offerings: drama, poetry, short story, film, and interpersonal communication.

Language of Instruction	Block 1 (8:00 – 10:00)	Block 2 (10: 15 – 12:15)
Spanish	<p>Stories through Photos Picture this! Tell your story through images. This course dives into language and culture through photography.</p>	<p>Culture and Communication Explore the Spanish-speaking world through a South American travel adventure without even leaving the classroom!</p>
Spanish	<p>Writer’s Den The writing process comes alive as students create stories that express the unique beauty, cultural life, and language experiences of living on the border. Stories will be published in a soft-bound book for students to treasure and keep.</p>	<p>Film and Literature Here’s your chance to explore the world of Spanish-speaking cinema as you learn how to read and analyze films. As a final project, you will create and show a short film of your own.</p>
Spanish	<p>Poetry Workshop Uncover a new talent and become a poet! Discover fantastic poetry! Learn to analyze and interpret symbolism in poetry. Then write, memorize, and recite your personal poems with spoken expressions and gestures.</p>	<p>Poetry Workshop Uncover a new talent and become a poet! Discover fantastic poetry! Learn to analyze and interpret symbolism in poetry. Then write, memorize, and recite your personal poems with spoken expressions and gestures.</p>
English	<p>Performing Arts: Short Plays This class provides a fun-filled environment where students learn performance concepts and skills as they enact short plays.</p>	<p>Performing Arts: Short Plays This class provides a fun-filled environment where students learn performance concepts and skills as they enact short plays.</p>

English	Interpersonal Communication	Interpersonal Communication
English	Film and Literature This exciting class brings language to life as students read and analyze a literary novel along with watching its film counterpart. Participants will discuss and engage in paired and cooperative group activities focusing on vocabulary, themes and writer's purpose, plot, characterization, and dialogue.	Stories through Photos Picture this! Tell your story through images. This course dives into language and culture through photography.
English	Poetry as Social Engagement Students will explore issues of social justice and activism through the reading and writing of poetry. Our focus will concern issues that are relevant to the U.S.-Mexico border region, yet the class will incorporate writers of various cultures and ethnicities. Students will create poetry, individually and in collaboration as a means of achieving social justice.	Writer's Den The writing process comes alive as students create stories that express the unique beauty, cultural life, and language experiences of living on the border. Stories will be published in a soft-bound book for students to treasure and keep.

Instructions: The **Language, Communication and Culture Camp** offers students the option of taking classes in English and/or Spanish. Students who speak Spanish informally with family (example: parents or grandparents) or who have taken a beginning Spanish class in school are welcome to register for the classes taught in Spanish. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the International Language Institute at (956) 326-2136.

Select two options for each time block. Whenever possible, you will be placed in your first option.

Class Selections	8:00 – 10:00	10:15 – 12:15
First choice	<i>Performing Arts: Short Plays</i>	<i>Poetry Workshop</i>
Second choice	<i>Film and Literature</i>	<i>Story through Photos</i>

