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Foreward

Parents and teachers know children learn language by using language to make sense of their world. The materials in this program honor this basic understanding. Rather than relying on drills and memorization, children participate in meaningful projects, creating puppets, following recipes, making play dough, playing bingo, making pictures of their family and homes, and entering story worlds. In the process of all of this making and doing, children hear and try out the new language.

Practical and well-designed lessons in the Whistlefritz series integrate all areas of the curriculum, with each new lesson spiraling back to previous lessons giving children multiple opportunities to develop their French. In the DVDs, a delightful feature of the series, children meet an adventurous mouse named Fritzi who entertains and invites them to practice and extend their new language. With lots of fun, and seemingly without effort, children fall in love with and become competent speakers of French.

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