

Welcome to Year 12 German!

Type of course: 2-year linear (final exams in Year 13) course with internal A level exams in the summer of Year 12.



Link to specification: <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/as-and-a-level/german-7662>



Content of exams:



- **Paper 1 - Listening, Reading and Writing + Translation** (Gm to Eng and Eng to Gm)
 - based on all topics studied in Years 12 and 13
 - 2hrs 30 mins, 100 marks, worth 50% of A-Level
- **Paper 2 - Essay paper** – written in German
 - 2 x essays: 1 x book and 1 x film (approx. 300 words each)
 - 2 hours, 80 marks, 20% of A-Level
 - Film to be studied (start Summer Y 12) – most likely ‘Goodbye Lenin’
 - Book to be studied (start Autumn Y13) ‘Zonenkinder’, Jana Hensel
- **Paper 3 – Speaking**
 - Detailed discussion of one topic card from all topics studied in Years 12 and 13
 - Presentation and discussion on Individual Research Project (IRP)
 - Max 21-23 mins (including 5 minutes preparation time), 60 marks, 30% of A-Level

Year 12 topic content:

- Familie im Wandel
- Die Digitale Welt
- Jugendkultur
- Feste und Traditionen
- Kunst und Architektur
- Das Berliner Kulturleben

Year 13 topic content:

- Einwanderung
- Integration
- Rassismus
- Deutschland und die Europäische Union
- Die Politik und die Jugend
- Die Wiedervereinigung und ihre Folge

Core materials:

We use the AQA A level German Year 1 and Year 2 textbooks from OUP, alongside the AQA A level German textbook published by Hodder. You will also have access to the Kerboodle online platform for independent comprehension and grammar practice.

To do before term starts:

1 Grammar *required learning***:**

Revise and be confident with the following grammar points:

- Present tense regular and irregular verbs
- Past tense – especially the perfect tense, but common imperfect forms too
- Future tense
- Word order, in particular:
 - Verb second and inversion
 - Time Manner Place
 - How word order changes after subordinating conjunctions such as weil/obwohl etc

You should review your GCSE notes and exercises but the following will also be helpful:

- www.languagesonline.org.uk
- [BBC Bitesize German](http://www.bbc.com/1/learning/german)
- www.german.net (lots of grammar revision activities to choose from here)

2 Online learning – topic vocab, useful phrases + expressions *required learning*****

- Quizlet - Year 12 Deutsch - <https://quizlet.com/join/B5BfAweq9>
- Memrise – Pates Year 12 German - <https://www.memrise.com/group/404228/>

Choose a selection of activities from each of the following categories – lots of different ideas and we certainly don't expect you to do them all!

3 TV and Films to watch

Site	Title	TV/Film	Summary
Netflix	Skylines	TV	Crime drama series about hip-hop producer
	Holiday Secrets	TV	Family secrets come out at Christmas
	We Are The Wave	TV	Teens revolt against nationalism
	Criminal: Germany	TV	Set within the interview room of a police station
	Charité	TV	Medical/historical drama
	Charité at War	TV	Set in hospital during WW2
	Dark	TV	Mystery drama – German 'Stranger Things'
	Nailed It! Germany	TV	Amateur baking show
	Look Who's Back	Film	Satire about Hitler
	The Awakening of Motti	Film	Comedy about an Orthodox Jewish man falling in love with a non-Jewish woman
	Rock My Heart	Film	Animal film
	My Fuehrer	Film	Comedy about Hitler preparing for a speech
	We are young. We are strong.	Film	Based on the Xenophobic riots in North Germany in the 1990s
	Trick or Treaters	Film	Animation
Amazon Prime	Welcome to Germany	Film	A German family takes in a refugee
	Balloon	Film	Germans attempt to flee the East by using a hot air balloon.
	Behind the Wall	Docu	Documentary about East/West Berlin and the fall of the wall.
	Das Leben der Anderen (Lives of Others)	Film	Film about the work of the Stasi in East German and how they spied on the population
	Tschick / Goodbye Berlin	Film	Two teenagers go on a road trip
All4/Walter Presents	Deutschland 83 Deutschland 86	TV	Drama about young East German sent as a spy to the West.
YouTube	Sophie Scholl	Film	Film about the anti-Nazi resistance fighter, Sophie Scholl
	Das Wunder von Bern	Film	Film about a young boy who adores football and the first World Cup after WW2

4 Music, Books and Podcasts

- Discover German music on Spotify: <https://open.spotify.com/user/goethe-institut>
- Find a German song/band/artist you like and complete the gapfills until you can complete 'advanced' (or even 'expert'?!): <https://lyricstraining.com/de/>
- Find some German language podcasts that you enjoy and listen to them regularly
- Have a go at reading one of the books listed at the end of this document – a vocabulary list is also attached for "Tschick"

5 News and current affairs

- News in Slow German: <https://open.spotify.com/show/4CAPKEyQ9KHtm9XEKjWHp3>
- Scroll down to '7 Tage Rückblick' and watch 1 episode of news every week, making a note of ANYTHING you understand (and ignoring what you don't for now):
<https://www.zdf.de/kinder/logo/alle-logo-sendungen-100.html>
- Start following at least 3 different German language news outlets on social media – aim to find some each from Germany, Switzerland and Austria
- Research: What are the political parties in Germany/Switzerland/Austria? Who are they led by? What do they stand for? What are the main political issues at the moment?

6 Social Media

- Start a collection of German language memes
- Follow a range of German language social media accounts – have a look at Deutschland.de and the German Embassy London to get started
- Find out who the current social media influencers are in German, Switzerland and Austria
- Follow a range of German social media accounts related to your own hobbies and interests

7 Other ideas

- Find a German recipe and try it out
- Research a topic of your interest related to German or a German-speaking country
- Vlog your summer, create memes, write a song, poem or story – get creative!
- Spend 10 minutes trying to learn the German
 - states <https://online.seterra.com/en/vgp/3014>
 - capital cities <https://online.seterra.com/en/vgp/3189>
 - important cities <https://online.seterra.com/en/vgp/3030>
- Research these opportunities for visiting Germany:
 - <https://ukgermanconnection.org/yp/get-involved/german-pupil-courses/>
 - <https://www.workexperienceabroad.co.uk/germany/>
- Find your preferred online dictionary
 - www.duden.de - monolingual German dictionary
 - <http://dict.leo.com> - Extensive online German dictionary
 - www.WordRef.com - online dictionaries in a number of languages
 - www.verbix.com - online verb conjugator
 - www.collinsdictionaries.com
 - www.bab.la
 - www.pons.com
 - www.lexicool.com
 - <http://dictionary.cambridge.org>
- Find a range of German language learning apps – Which would you recommend and why?
- Put your phone/tablet/gaming console into German

If you have any questions, then please email me:

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More ideas – in a more concise format!

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We would love for you to continue to stay cognitively engaged over the coming weeks and months, despite the cancellation of this year's exams. The following are suggestions and are not compulsory, but you could explore any that you find interesting.



[Logo - Kindernachrichten](#)
[Neuneinhalb - Kindernachrichten](#)
[Deutsche Welle - Langsam gesprochene Nachrichten](#)
[WDR - Kindernachrichten](#)
[Tile Hill Wood School – Daily articles from German news](#)



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[Languages Online - German grammar](#)
[Learn German grammar with Grimm Fairy Tales](#)
[Nancy Thuleen German grammar](#)
[BBC Bitesize German grammar](#)



[Step into German - Musikvideos](#)
[Mama Lisa – German children's songs and rhymes](#)
[Lyricstraining - Learn German through music](#)