

Course Info S1

You will learn German in \$1 and have lessons twice a week in room 70.

You should come to classes prepared. That means to have:

- pen/pencil and rubber, sharpener,
- jotter and folder.

Pupils are encouraged to take their jotters and folders home. Having notes close to you while doing homework might be reassuring. It will also help you revise words weekly. If you wanted however to leave your folder in class, there is a designated box for that.

Please also remember **NOT** to use your phone in the classroom. There is a box at the entrance to place your phone there.

S1 TOPICS

You will use a range of materials while studying the following topics:

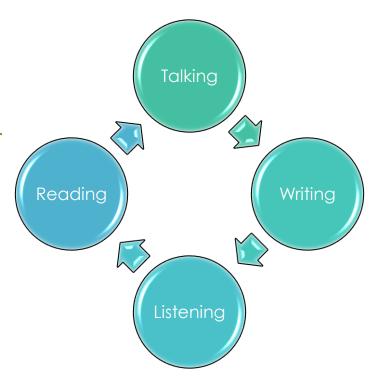
- Greetings
- Numbers, colours, days of the week, months
- Haustiere (pets)
- Meine Familie (my family)
- Freizeit (free time)
- Meine Schule (my school)

YOU WILL BUILD ON THE 4

SKILLS:

But the most important skills you are gaining by learning a language are:

- you develop your literacy skills
- you explore interconnected nature of languages
- you play fuller part as a global citizen
- you improve your memory and brain function
- you create more employment and career opportunities for yourself



\$1 Assignments and Check-in points:

- weekly quizzes (on Fridays) current vocabulary
- w/c 30.09 Greetings, basic information about yourself Reading and Listening check-in
- mid November Pets describing your pet
- w/c 9.12 Pets and family Reading and Listening check-in
- mid March My free time Writing
- w/c 17.03 My free time Reading and Listening check-in
- mid April Conversation about free time
- end of May All about me Writing
- w/c 9.06 My school Reading and Listening check in

PARENTS EVENINGS, REPORTS:

- 26.09 Parents' evening
- Mid December short report (here you will find out about your attendance; current working level; behaviour, homework, preparedness for learning rating)
- End of May final report

BY THE END OF \$1, YOU WILL:

- be able to introduce yourself and talk about yourself in simple German
- be able to hold a simple conversation in German
- continue with your German classes in \$2
- if you decide to continue with German in S3, this will lead onto National 4/5
 Qualifications in S3 and S4 and, ultimately, a Higher Qualification.

RESOURCES:

- MS Teams for class work
- online dictionary: https://www.collinsdictionary.com/dictionary/english-german
- online platforms:
 - Languages Online
 https://www.languagesonline.org.uk/Hotpotatoes/germanindex.html
 - Digital Dialects: https://www.digitaldialects.com/German.htm
 - o Create your own flashcards: https://quizlet.com/
 - o BBC Languages: https://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/german/tv/onbbc.shtml
 - German radio stations: https://www.fluentu.com/blog/german/learn-german-radio/
 - o Duolingo: https://www.duolingo.com/
 - Instagram: follow Deutsch_einfach;
 - YouTube: Easy German: https://www.youtube.com/@EasyGerman
 - Spotify: follow German artists!

All resources can be adapted and personalised so they can suit your needs best. Please see your teacher for more advice.

GERMAN HOMEWORK:

- The learning of vocabulary and grammar is essential for all year groups. This is an on-going process and every pupil must spend time studying independently
- Homework is handed out weekly on Fridays in order to help you improve your language skills.
- It is your responsibility to catch up with work missed and to study in preparation for assessments.
- You have access to MS Teams where PPTs, videos, homework is being posted weekly