

Year 9 and GCSE German

Curriculum Content

Half term	Year 9		Year 10		Year 11	
	Topic	Grammar	Topic	Grammar	Topic	Grammar
Autumn 1	Alphabet Phonics Greetings, introductions, numbers	Verbs haben and sein (present tense) Articles and accusative	Family + friends Relationships with others Arguments in families Views on dating and marriage	Possessive adjectives Separable and reflexive verbs in the present, imperfect and perfect tense, comparisons 40 words translations	Holidays My house and Area	Sequence of tenses subordinate clauses cases (Dative with location/ prepositions) adjective agreements
Autumn 2	My family and my hobbies	Present tense verbs (weak and strong), word order, comparatives Gern/ lieber/ am liebsten	Technology Role of social media Dangers of the internet Life today vs life without the internet	Modal verbs, Future tense perfect tense/imperfect Photo cards Um...zu, 40 words/ 90 words translations	Environmental problems and solutions Social issues Poverty and exclusion volunteering	Modal verbs Um...zu Conditional Sequence of tenses
Spring 1	Hobbies, invitations + excuses, weather, clothes	Word order modal verbs simple past Subordinate clauses	Celebrations and festivals Hobbies (TV, Cinema, music)	Modal verbs Um...zu Tenses 90 words/ 150 word	School subjects and preferences (revision) School buildings and Improvements	Opinions and present tense, past tense Comparisons, cases Adjective agreements
Spring 2	School subjects, teachers, uniform, rules, descriptions	Opinion phrases Word order Modal verbs	Healthy living: food and Sports (+extreme sports)	When I was younger... (comparing past and present) Tenses + subjunctive II Role plays 150 word writing	Future plans University or apprenticeship? Advantages and disadvantages of jobs	Um...zu Future tense Conditional Word order
Summer 1	Food	Word order opinion phrases Simple past Role plays	House and area	Cases, adjective agreement Subordinate sentences (relative clauses)	Revision and GCSE EXAMINATIONS	Revision

Summer 2	(Year 10) Personal information	Question words Adjectives of personality Word order (opinion sentence starters) Present tense, pronouns	GCSE examination skills Speaking exam preparation	Cases (accusative) Relative clauses Role plays	STUDY LEAVE GCSE EXAMINATIONS	
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Skills

Throughout the GCSE course, students will explore the language by listening, reading, writing and speaking, thus giving them the opportunities to:

- develop their ability to communicate confidently and coherently with native speakers in speech and writing, conveying what they want to say with increasing accuracy in terms of grammar and selection of vocabulary
- express and develop thoughts and ideas spontaneously and fluently
- listen to and understand clearly articulated, standard speech at near normal speed
- deepen their knowledge about how language works and enrich their vocabulary to increase their independent use and understanding of extended language in a range of contexts
- acquire new knowledge, skills and ways of thinking through the ability to understand and respond to authentic spoken and written material, adapted and abridged, as appropriate, including literary texts
- develop awareness and understanding of the culture and identity of the countries and communities around the world where German is spoken
- make appropriate links to other areas of the curriculum to enable bilingual and deeper learning, where the language may become a medium for constructing and applying knowledge
- develop language learning skills both for immediate use and prepare them for further language study in school, higher education or employment [?]
develop language strategies, including repair strategies.

* In addition, students will explore strategies to encourage retention of and reproduction of vocabulary and verb conjugations to improve their fluency and accuracy across all 4 skills.

Assessment

This linear GCSE course from AQA is examined entirely by examination at the end of Year 11. There are 4 papers, each equally weighted:

Paper 1 – Listening

Paper 2 – Reading

Paper 3 – Writing

Paper 4 – Speaking

Further details about the course can be found at <https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/german-8668>