




## AQA German

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<p><b>Overview of the subject</b></p>	<p>Like Jenga blocks you will build your language skills through exposure to topical vocabulary, grammar and improve your pronunciation skills by focussing on the phonics and sounds in German. Speaking German is fun and interactive combined with communicating in writing on topics which develop your understanding of the world. You will also listen to spoken German and develop your comprehension skills by reading and engaging with a variety of written sources.</p>
<p><b>Methods of Assessment:</b></p>	<p><b>There are four exam papers in German. Each paper is equally weighted.</b>          25% <i>Writing</i> – Responding in writing in the target language and translation from English into German.          25% <i>Listening</i> – Understanding and responding to spoken extracts and dictation of short, spoken extracts.          25% <i>Reading</i> – Understanding written texts and translation from German into English.          25% <i>Speaking</i> – Speaking in response to a photocard, having a conversation and reading aloud in German.</p>
<p><b>Key Content and Topics Covered</b></p>	<p><b>THEME 1: People and lifestyle</b>          Theme 1 covers the following three topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identity and relationships with others</li> <li>• Healthy living and lifestyle</li> <li>• Education and work</li> </ul> <p><b>THEME 2: Popular culture</b>          Theme 2 covers the following three topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Free time activities</li> <li>• Customs, festivals and celebrations</li> <li>• Celebrity culture</li> </ul> <p><b>THEME 3: Communication and the world around us</b>          Theme 3 covers the following three topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travel and tourism, including places of interest</li> <li>• Media and technology</li> <li>• The environment and where people live</li> </ul>
<p><b>Skills developed</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Problem solving</li> <li>✓ Presentation skills</li> <li>✓ Reading and Writing skills</li> <li>✓ Listening skills</li> <li>✓ Teamwork and good communication skills</li> <li>✓ Understanding other cultures</li> <li>✓ Being able to remember things</li> </ul>
<p><b>Progression routes:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Customer services</li> <li>✓ Translation / interpreting / marketing</li> <li>✓ Intelligence work / diplomatic service for the government</li> <li>✓ Tourist information work</li> <li>✓ International law and business</li> <li>✓ Hotel management/tour operating / airport work</li> <li>✓ Immigration / social services</li> <li>✓ Teaching English abroad / bilingual classroom assisting /teaching.</li> <li>✓ Journalism</li> </ul>



<b>Why choose this subject</b>	<p>Speaking a language makes you more employable Learning to speak another language gives you a range of other skills which are important to employers. Languages open up possibilities to travel and discover other cultures. Being able to speak English is not enough. It's polite and fun to try to immerse yourself in the culture of another country. Speaking another language gives you an advantage over those who speak only one language.</p>
<b>Course requirements</b>	Having studied German at Key Stage 3.
<b>Student Testimonial</b>	<p>I chose German for GCSE as I love learning languages. I want to travel and live in Germany, Austria or Switzerland. I love German because it is like a puzzle when you have to fit in words together like a Maths or Physics equation and I love them too. It really helps even just having a few words when you go to a country as the people there make you feel more comfortable if you at least try to speak to them. Also, once you have learnt one language this makes other languages easier to learn. And of course, speaking more languages makes it easier to make friends!</p>
<b>Additional Information</b>	<div data-bbox="416 925 1013 1104"></div> <p>We use interactive text books for homework and quizlet to support our learning. DUOLINGO, BABEL and MEMRISE are also great resources for language learners.</p>