

ALTEC Language Class: German Beginning I

Class duration: 10 weeks, September 14–November 18, 2020

Class meetings: Mondays and Wednesdays at 6pm–7pm on Zoom

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While the meeting schedule is set, topics and content are flexible and may change to reflect students' needs during the class.

Week & topic	Day	Communicative goals	Grammar	Vocabulary	Resources for before class	Practice exercises
Week 1	M	Welcome				
	W	Introductions	Expressions to say hello & goodbye Formal/informal	Set 1	1: Moin!	Introduce yourself (video) Introducing yourself (exercises)
Week 2	M	Share personal information	How to ask & answer questions about <i>Herkunft</i> and <i>Wohnort</i> Pronunciation	Set 2	2: Woher kommst du?	Practice with verbs <i>heißen</i> & <i>kommen</i>
	W	Learn the alphabet & spell your name Asking for & using personal pronouns	Alphabet Gender (masc, fem, neutral, plural)		3: N-A-M-E	Das Alphabet Exercises (HÖREN)
Week 3	M	Ask & answer questions with numbers like age, height, phone, etc.	Numbers/counting the verb <i>sein</i>	Set 4	4: Zahlen 1-10 games 11-20 games 1-100 games	Zahlen Exercises (HÖREN) Number comprehension
	W	Talk about hobbies & other activities	Verb conjugation <i>gern / nicht gern</i>	Set 5	5: Nein Hobbies games	Hobbies (video) Verb conjugation (video) Hobbies: Arbeit mit dem Lesen

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Week 4	M	Talk about your education & profession	masc / feminine endings of nouns	Set 6	6: Berufe	Course subjects & interests Sein / heißen worksheet & key
	W	Talk about objects at your study or work areas	<i>Was ist das?</i> Definite & indefinite articles <i>der, die, oder das</i>	Set 6 (extra)	6: Berufe Subjects games	Talking about studying (video) Definite & Indefinite articles
Week 5	M	Small talk	Review <i>ja/nein</i> questions vs. <i>wie, woher, wo</i> questions		7: Interviewen Small talk Q & A (video)	Renee's Blog #1
	W	Talk about important people in your life	Community, Friends & Family possessive pronouns	Set 8	8: Mein Umfeld	Exercises about friends
Week 6	M	Talk about relations from various perspectives	<i>Stammbaum</i> the verb <i>haben</i>	Set 9	9: Familie Vocab games More games	Exercises about family Interactive chat game
	W	Negations	<i>kein</i> article endings	Set 10	10: Kein	nicht vs kein exercises
Week 7	M	Talking about time and daily routine	Separable verbs	Set 15	Days of the week (video)	Daily routine game
	W	Talk about clothing	Adjectives without endings colors Stem-vowel changes	Set 16	Color games	Clothing

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Week 8	M	Talk about the weather	<i>Es gibt</i> Word order	Set 17 Set 18	Weather games	
	W	German, Austrian & Swiss Geography	Days of the week / months / seasons Comparisons / superlatives	Set 21		Comparative
Week 9	M	Descriptive conversation Film discussion	Artwork / Colors Weather Nominative & accusative pronouns	Set 20	Adjective games	
	W	Talking about food and international cuisine Ordering at a restaurant	<i>gern / lieber / am liebsten</i> Modal verbs	Set 27 More vocab Even more food vocab	Food: basic phrases (video) Food games	Brot, Salz und Verrückte Käse (a comic story) Comparative & Superlative How to order a coffee in Germany (video) How to order Döner (video)
Week 10	M	Review / wrap up				
	W	Game Night				