

Summer Projekte

+ Lots of ideas for keeping German going (enjoying it!!) between GCSE and A' level

Please do first 3 tasks as summer work. Other ideas are optional, so do any you fancy...

Summer Work

We study a great deal of German culture at A level, so please complete the tasks below and bring them to the first lesson. Be prepared to share with the class in September:

1. Virtualreise nach Deutschland

Follow the instructions and use the many hyperlinks in the power point to take a virtual trip to either Berlin or München (or both!!). Note which 2 sights/ attractions you most wish to visit and why.

2. Ein Film/ Eine Serie/ Sendung

Choose a German film or series or programme (Netflix is good) and watch with English subtitles. Note name of film/ series/ programme and complete a brief summary using the template provided. There have been some good series like Deutschland 83, Deutschland 87 and Dark and there are often films – search International films.

3. Deutsche Musik

Find a German singer/ group you like and say what type of music it is and why you like it. Choose a song to play to the class. I attach a list of popular German artists/ bands for you to try out and below is a link to a youtube site with lots of German songs to listen to.

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLmsN529FmVUwNhWVUusz76o_cyfcecnBDD

Other optional ideas to enjoy learning German:

1) Expand your vocabulary

Use Quizlet, Duo Linguo, Memrise, Seneca, BBC languages.

2) Switch your computer/mobile phone settings to German

3) Stories

As you know Brüder Grimm wrote most of the fairy tales we know today and the Starbucks PP has links to several of them read in German. Put the PP on full size and listen to the first chapter by clicking on the tale (4 of them have video to watch as well). These are great for pronunciation and lovely stories. Please listen to as many as you like and then pick your favourite and share with the class why!

4) Try some German tv.

There are two main (state) tv stations: Das Erste and Das Zweite Deutsche Fernsehen (ZDF). Germany's longest running *Seifenoper*, Lindenstraße, is broadcast by "Das Erste"- you can watch recent episodes on demand from here: <http://www.lindenstrasse.de/>

Or watch TV and videos online. Use <http://www.dailymotion.com/de> as the youtube equivalent and check out the TV programmes on Arte: the Franco-German TV station in Europe: <http://www.arte.tv/de/70.html>

5) www.deutschewelle.de is an excellent online German news site for students. Choose Deutsch as your language and search for articles. Deutsche Welle is also very good for its "Langsam gesprochene Nachrichten" – a news programme, where the daily news is spoken slowly! What's even better is that you can see the text in front of you and there is also some vocab available. It may be a bit advanced, but it is certainly useful just for listening and picking out odd words. Here is the link to the "langsam gesprochene Nachrichten". <http://www.dw-world.de/dw/article/0,,14766767,00.html>

6) Make www.yahoo.de your computer home page or access it regularly to read the news/gossip headlines quickly every time you log on

7) For a thorough dictionary online, choose <http://www.wordreference.com/> Click on the "conjugator" button to get the verb in all tenses.

8) <http://www.goethe.de/ins/gb/lon/prj/asa/enindex.htm>

The site of the Goethe Institute is an excellent source of English and German material for A level. Search the site for interesting stuff on films, music, sport etc. You can also register to become a member of the community for German language learners, create your profile, meet other people or use the forum for discussions or questions.

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