

A Level German
Herzlich Willkommen!





Willkommen!

- Ich heiße.....
- Ich möchte Deutsch in der Oberstufe studieren, weil.....
- In den Sommerferien werde ich
- Mein Lieblings.... ist



Warum Deutsch?



- The UK's education system is failing to produce enough people with foreign-language skills to meet a growing need from business, the CBI has said.
- Nearly two-thirds of about 300 UK firms surveyed by the business lobby group said they preferred staff with these skills.
- French, German and Spanish were highly prized but Arabic and Mandarin were growing in importance, it said.
- The government said its policies meant more children were learning languages.
- The report refers to British Council research citing an "alarming shortage" of speakers of certain major languages.
- The CBI/Pearson Education and Skills Survey suggested languages were likely to continue to grow in importance "as ambitious firms look to break into new, fast-growing markets".
- **'Prized' skills**
 - Some 41% of businesses said knowledge of a foreign language was beneficial, while 28% believed language skills would help to build relations with overseas contacts.
 - French (50%), **German (49%)** and Spanish (44%) were identified as the most useful languages.
 - A total of 31% wanted staff who could speak Mandarin and 23% demanded Arabic skills.
 - Others identified Polish (19%), Russian (18%), Cantonese (16%) and Japanese (15%).
 - CBI deputy director general Katja Hall said research showed one in five schools in England had a persistently low take-up of languages.

From the Independent, 25th September 2016

- Learning a second language can be **extremely lucrative for your career opportunities.** And after jobs search engine Adzuna analysed over 1 million live job postings on its website, it found that some languages **are more likely to get you a higher paid job** than others in Britain, when employers advertised for jobs looking for someone who was at least bilingual.
- **1. German - £ 34,534.** Germany is one of Britain's biggest trade partners and has strong financial services and business ties with the UK. Speaking German will not only get you, in general, **the highest-paid job, it is also the language that in highest demand across job postings.**
- 2. Arabic - £ 34,122
- 3. French – £ 32, 646



Uni offers

- **Example:**
- University of Hull
- History – Entry Requirements:
- Without language: 120 points
- With an A level in a language: 112 points



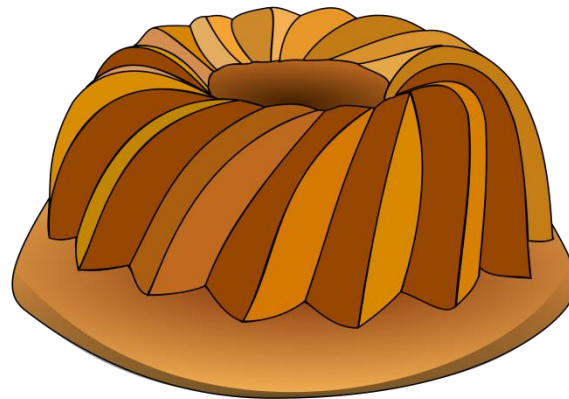
You'll stand out!

- Number of students taking A level German:
- Approximately 4000
- Number of students taking A level psychology:
- Approximately 73000



German at Ribston

- Small group – lots of attention (and fun – for example cake day)
- Weekly sessions with a foreign language assistant





A Level Deutsch

Paper	Time	Marks	Weighting	Skills
Paper 1	2 hours, 30 minutes	100	50%	Listening, Reading, Writing
Paper 2	2 hours	80	20%	Writing (2 essays + translation)
Paper 3	21-23 minutes	60	30%	Speaking

















Wie findest du dieses Lied?

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4BAKb2p450Q&safe=true>



A Level TOPICS:

Aspects of German-speaking society (Y12)

- The changing state of the family
- The digital world
- Youth culture: fashion and trends, music, television

Artistic culture in the German-speaking world (Y12)

- Festivals and traditions
- Art and architecture
- Cultural life in Berlin, past and present

Multiculturalism in German-speaking society (Y13)

- Immigration
- Integration
- Racism

Aspects of political life in the German-speaking world (Y13)

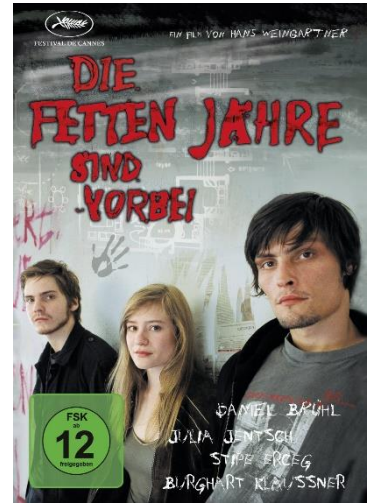
- • Germany and the European Union
- • Politics and youth
- • German re-unification and its consequences

A LEVEL : film / book study

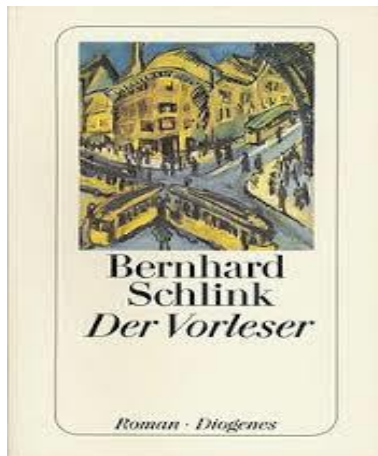
Y12 : Film Study

‘Die Fetten Jahre Sind Vorbei’

<https://youtu.be/MB1UMfC8koc>



Y13 : Book study ‘Der Vorleser’ by Schlink)



INDEPENDENT RESEARCH PROJECT

- **Choice of topic:** Students will choose their topic based on a personal interest derived from the study of the language.
- **Focus:** The focus must be on the country/countries where the target language is spoken.
- **No overlap:** There must be no overlap with the books/film studied for Paper 2. No two students are allowed to offer the same project.



- **EXPECTATIONS!**
- **Work hard from Day 1!**
- **Homework in on time, every time!**
- **Review each lesson after the lesson!**
- **Learn vocab / review grammar every week!**
- **Contribute in class!**
- **Ask if unsure / see your teacher at lunch / break / after lesson!**
- **Don't get overwhelmed.. But don't be underwhelmed!**



Prep over the summer?

- Revise verbs and tenses / GCSE grammar
- Watch German TV (anything!), listen to German radio (anything!) or read a German magazine / comic
- Complete the summer work
- Buy yourself a file and some plastic wallets
- Read some English newspapers / watch the news / watch some documentaries and become opinionated! :)