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## INTRODUCTION

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Whether you're on holiday or staying in a German-speaking country for a slightly longer period of time, your **Collins Visual Dictionary** is designed to help you find exactly what you need, when you need it. With over a thousand clear and helpful images, you can quickly locate the vocabulary you are looking for.

### **The Visual Dictionary includes:**

- **10 chapters** arranged thematically, so that you can easily find what you need to suit the situation
- **images** – illustrating essential items
- **YOU MIGHT SAY...** – common phrases that you might want to use
- **YOU MIGHT HEAR...** – common phrases that you might come across
- **VOCABULARY** – common words that you might need
- **YOU SHOULD KNOW...** – tips about local customs or etiquette

## USING YOUR COLLINS VISUAL DICTIONARY

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In order to make sure that the phrases and vocabulary in the **Collins Visual Dictionary** are presented in a way that's clear and easy to understand, we have followed certain policies when translating:

- 1) The polite form "Sie" (you) has been used throughout the text as this is always safe to use, even if a bit formal at times, for example:

How old are you? **Wie alt sind Sie?**

Remember that if you are addressing an older person or someone you have just met in German, you use "Sie". However, if you are speaking to a child or someone you know well, you can use "du". If you are speaking to more than one person you know well, you should use "ihr".

Once you get to know someone, they may suggest that you use "du" instead of the more formal "Sie".

You can call me "du". **Sie können mich duzen.**

- 2) The grammatical gender of German nouns has been indicated using the articles "der" (masculine), "die" (feminine) and "das" (neuter). As the article "die" is used for all plural nouns, whatever their gender, all plural translations have

been marked with the gender of the singular noun, as well as the plural marker, for example:

potatoes **die Kartoffeln** *fpl*

Feminine forms of nouns have been shown with the masculine form as the main translation:

student **der Student / die Studentin**

- 3) The basic form of adjectives has been shown for vocabulary items, for example:

green **grün**

Remember that if the adjective appears before the noun in German it changes depending on whether the noun it describes is masculine, feminine or neuter, and whether it is singular or plural.

a green salad **ein grüner Salat**

a green jacket **eine grüne Jacke**

a green dress **ein grünes Kleid**

green shoes **grüne Schuhe**

## **FREE AUDIO**

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We have created a free audio resource to help you learn and practise the German words for all of the images shown in this dictionary. The German words in each chapter are spoken by native speakers, giving you the opportunity to listen to each word

twice and repeat it yourself. Download the audio from the website below to learn all of the vocabulary you need for communicating in German.

[www.collinsdictionary.com/resources](http://www.collinsdictionary.com/resources)

## **THE ESSENTIALS | DAS WESENTLICHE**

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Whether you're going to be visiting a German-speaking country, or even living there, you'll want to be able to chat with people and get to know them better. Being able to communicate effectively with acquaintances, friends, family, and colleagues is key to becoming more confident in German in a variety of everyday situations.



umbrella  
**der (Regen)schirm**

1. blue  
**blau**

2. red  
**rot**

3. green  
**grün**

4. white  
**weiß**

5. black  
**schwarz**

6. yellow  
**gelb**

## THE BASICS | DAS WESENTLICHE

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Hello.  
**Hallo.**

Hi!  
**Hallo!**

Good morning.  
**Guten Morgen.**

Good afternoon.  
**Guten Tag.**

Good evening.  
**Guten Abend.**

Goodnight.  
**Gute Nacht.**

See you soon.  
**Bis bald.**

See you tomorrow.  
**Bis morgen.**

See you on Saturday.  
**Bis Samstag.**

Bye!  
**Tschüss!**

Have a good day/ evening!  
**Schönen Tag / Abend!**

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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German people are quite formal when initially introduced, shaking hands upon meeting and parting. Friends and relatives will often greet each other with one kiss on the cheek. "Guten Tag" is used to greet someone during the day; "Guten Morgen" is used in the morning, and "Guten Abend" in the evening.

Yes.

**Ja.**

No.

**Nein.**

I don't know.

**Ich weiß nicht.**

Please.

**Bitte.**

Yes, please.

**Ja, bitte.**

Thank you.

**Vielen Dank.**

No, thanks.

**Nein, danke.**

Excuse me.

**Entschuldigung.**

Sorry?

**Wie bitte?**

I'm sorry.

**Es tut mir leid.**

OK!



**Einverstanden!**

You're welcome.

**Bitte.**

I don't understand.

**Ich verstehe nicht.**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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“Ja” or “doch”? German has two words for “yes” – you use “ja” when answering an affirmative question, and “doch” when responding to a negative one.

## ABOUT YOU | ÜBER SIE

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When addressing a person, “Frau” and “Herr” are only used with their name, and “Frau” can refer to a married or an unmarried woman. “Fräulein” is no longer used.

How old are you?

**Wie alt sind Sie?**

May I ask how old you are?

**Darf ich fragen, wie alt Sie sind?**

When is your birthday?

**Wann haben Sie Geburtstag?**

I'm ... years old.

**Ich bin ... (Jahre alt).**

My birthday is on...

**Ich habe am ... Geburtstag.**

I was born in...

**Ich bin ... geboren.**

I'm older/younger than...

**Ich bin älter / jünger als...**

Where are you from?

**Wo kommen Sie her?**

Where do you live?

**Wo wohnen Sie?**

I'm from...

**Ich komme aus...**

... the UK.

... **dem Vereinigten Königreich.**

I live in...

**Ich wohne in...**

I'm...

**Ich bin...**

Scottish

**schottisch**

English

**englisch**

Irish

**irisch**

Welsh

**walisisch**

British

**britisch**

Are you married/single?

**Sind Sie verheiratet / ledig?**

I'm married.

**Ich bin verheiratet.**

I have a partner.

**Ich habe einen Partner / eine Partnerin.**

I'm single.

**Ich bin ledig.**

I'm divorced.

**Ich bin geschieden.**

I'm widowed.

**Ich bin verwitwet.**

Do you have any children?

**Haben Sie Kinder?**

I have ... children.

**Ich habe ... Kinder.**

I don't have any children.

**Ich bin kinderlos.**

### **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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As in the UK, it's considered impolite to ask a woman how old she is. If you must ask, use a very formal level of language – you could say “Könnte ich Sie bitten, mir zu sagen, wie alt Sie sind?” (“May I ask you to tell me how old you are?”).

# FAMILY AND FRIENDS | FAMILIE UND FREUNDE

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This is my...

**Das ist mein / meine...**

These are my...

**Das sind meine...**

husband

**der Ehemann**

wife

**die Ehefrau**

boyfriend

**der Freund**

girlfriend

**die Freundin**

partner

**der Partner / die Partnerin**

fiancé/fiancée

**der Verlobte / die Verlobte**

son

**der Sohn**

daughter

**die Tochter**

parents

**die Eltern**

father

der Vater

mother

**die Mutter**

brother

**der Bruder**

sister

**die Schwester**

grandfather

**der Großvater**

grandmother

**die Großmutter**

grandson

**der Enkelsohn**

granddaughter

**die Enkelin**

father-in-law

**der Schwiegervater**

mother-in-law

**die Schwiegermutter**

daughter-in-law

**die Schwiegertochter**

son-in-law

**der Schwiegersohn**

brother-in-law

**der Schwager**

sister-in-law

**die Schwägerin**

stepfather  
**der Stiefvater**

stepmother  
**die Stiefmutter**

stepson  
**der Stiefsohn**

stepdaughter  
**die Stieftochter**

uncle  
**der Onkel**

aunt  
**die Tante**

nephew  
**der Neffe**

niece  
**die Nichte**

cousin  
**der Cousin / die Cousine**

extended family  
**die Großfamilie**

friend  
**der Freund / die Freundin**

colleague  
**der Kollege / die Kollegin**

baby

**das Baby**

child  
**das Kind**

teenager  
**der Teenager**





# GENERAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING | GESUNDHEIT UND WOHLBEFINDEN

---

How are you?

**Wie geht es Ihnen?**

How's it going?

**Wie geht's?**

How is he/she?

**Wie geht es ihm / ihr?**

How are they?

**Wie geht es ihnen?**

Very well, thanks, and you?

**Sehr gut, danke, und Ihnen?**

Fine, thanks.

**Danke, gut.**

Great!

**Super!**

So-so.

**So lala.**

Not bad, thanks.

**Nicht schlecht, danke.**

Could be worse.

**Es geht so.**

I'm fine.

**Mir geht es gut.**

I'm tired.  
**Ich bin müde.**

I'm hungry/thirsty.  
**Ich habe Hunger / Durst.**

I'm full.  
**Ich bin satt.**

I'm cold/warm.  
**Mir ist kalt / warm.**

I am...  
**Ich bin...**

He/She is...  
**Er / Sie ist...**

They are...  
**Sie sind...**

happy  
**glücklich**

excited  
**aufgeregt**

calm  
**ruhig**

surprised  
**überrascht**

annoyed  
**verärgert**

angry  
**wütend**

sad  
**traurig**

worried  
**besorgt**

afraid  
**verängstigt**

bored  
**gelangweilt**

I feel...  
**Ich fühle mich...**

He/She feels...  
**Er / Sie fühlt sich...**

They feel...  
**Sie fühlen sich...**

well  
**gut**

unwell  
**unwohl**

better  
**besser**

worse  
**schlechter**



## WORK | ARBEIT

---

Where do you work?

**Wo arbeiten Sie?**

What do you do?

**Was machen Sie beruflich?**

What's your occupation?

**Was ist Ihr Beruf?**

Do you work/study?

**Arbeiten / Studieren Sie?**

I'm self-employed.

**Ich bin selbstständig.**

I'm unemployed.

**Ich bin arbeitslos.**

I'm at university.

**Ich bin an der Universität.**

I'm retired.

**Ich bin im Ruhestand.**

I'm travelling.

**Ich reise.**

I work from home.

**Ich arbeite zu Hause.**

I work part-/full-time.

**Ich habe eine Teilzeit- / Vollzeitbeschäftigung.**

I work as a/an...

**Ich arbeite als...**

I'm a/an...

**Ich bin...**

builder

**der Maurer / die Maurerin**

chef

**der Koch / die Köchin**

civil servant

**der Beamter / die Beamtin**

dentist

**der Zahnarzt / die Zahnärztin**

doctor

**der Arzt / die Ärztin**

driver

**der Fahrer / die Fahrerin**

electrician

**der Elektriker / die Elektrikerin**

engineer

**der Ingenieur / die Ingenieurin**

farmer

**der Bauer / die Bäuerin**

firefighter

**der Feuerwehrmann / die Feuerwehrfrau**

fisherman

**der Fischer / die Fischerin**

IT worker

**der Informatiker / die Informatikerin**

joiner

**der Tischler / die Tischlerin**

journalist

**der Journalist / die Journalistin**

lawyer

**der Rechtsanwalt / die Rechtsanwältin**

lecturer

**der Dozent / die Dozentin**

mechanic

**der Mechaniker / die Mechanikerin**

nurse

**der Krankenpfleger / die Krankenschwester**

office worker

**der / die Büroangestellte**

plumber

**der Klempner / die Klempnerin**

police officer

**der Polizeibeamte / die Polizeibeamtin**

postal worker

**der Briefträger / die Briefträgerin**

sailor

**der Matrose / die Matrosin**

salesperson

**der Verkäufer / die Verkäuferin**

scientist

**der Wissenschaftler / die Wissenschaftlerin**

soldier

**der Soldat / die Soldatin**

teacher

**der Lehrer / die Lehrerin**

vet

**der Tierarzt / die Tierärztin**

waiter

**der Kellner**

waitress

**die Kellnerin**

I work at/in...

**Ich arbeite bei...**

business

**das Geschäft**

company

**die Firma**

construction site

**die Baustelle**

factory

**die Fabrik**

government

**die Regierung**

hospital

**das Krankenhaus**

hotel

**das Hotel**

office

**das Büro**

restaurant

**das Restaurant**

school

**die Schule**

shop

**der Laden**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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When talking about somebody's occupation in German, you do not translate "a", for example "Sie ist Dozentin" meaning "She is a lecturer".





# TIME | DIE UHRZEIT

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morning  
**der Morgen**

afternoon  
**der Nachmittag**

evening  
**der Abend**

night  
**die Nacht**

midday  
**der Mittag**

midnight  
**die Mitternacht**

What time is it?  
**Wie spät ist es?**

It's nine o'clock.  
**Es ist neun Uhr.**

It's ten past nine.  
**Es ist zehn nach neun.**

It's quarter past nine.  
**Es ist Viertel nach neun.**

It's 25 past nine.  
**Es ist fünf vor halb zehn.**

It's half past nine.

**Es ist halb zehn.**

It's 20 to ten.

**Es ist zwanzig vor zehn.**

It's quarter to ten.

**Es ist Viertel vor zehn.**

It's five to ten.

**Es ist fünf vor zehn.**

It's 10 a.m.

**Es ist zehn Uhr (morgens).**

It's 5 p.m.

**Es ist fünf Uhr (abends).**

It's 17:30.

**Es ist siebzehn Uhr dreißig.**

When...?

**Wann...?**

... in 60 seconds/ two minutes.

**... in 60 Sekunden / zwei Minuten.**

... in an hour/half an hour.

**... in einer Stunde / halben Stunde.**

... in quarter of an hour.

**... in einer Viertelstunde.**

today

**heute**

tonight

**heute Abend**

tomorrow

**morgen**

yesterday

**gestern**

the day after tomorrow

**übermorgen**

the day before yesterday

**vorgestern**

early

**früh**

late

**verspätet**

soon

**bald**

later

**später**

now

**jetzt**



# DAYS, MONTHS, AND SEASONS | TAGE, MONATE UND JAHRESZEITEN

---

Monday  
**Montag**

Tuesday  
**Dienstag**

Wednesday  
**Mittwoch**

Thursday  
**Donnerstag**

Friday  
**Freitag**

Saturday  
**Samstag**

Sunday  
**Sonntag**



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January  
**Januar**

February

Februar

March

**März**

April

**April**

May

**Mai**

June

**Juni**

July

**Juli**

August

**August**

September

**September**

October

**Oktober**

November

**November**

December

**Dezember**

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day

**der Tag**

weekend

**das Wochenende**

week  
**die Woche**

fortnight  
**die zwei Wochen**

month  
**der Monat**

year  
**das Jahr**

decade  
**das Jahrzehnt**

daily  
**taglich**

weekly  
**wochentlich**

fortnightly  
**alle zwei Wochen**

monthly  
**monatlich**

yearly  
**jahrlich**

on Mondays  
**montags**

every Sunday  
**jeden Sonntag**

last/next Thursday  
**am letzten / nachsten Donnerstag**

the week before  
**die vorletzte Woche**

the week after  
**die übernächste Woche**

in February  
**im Februar**

in 2019  
**in 2019**

What is today's date?  
**Welches Datum haben wir?**

spring  
**der Frühling**

summer  
**der Sommer**

autumn  
**der Herbst**

winter  
**der Winter**

in spring/winter  
**im Frühling / Winter**

# WEATHER | DAS WETTER

---

How's the weather?

**Wie ist das Wetter?**

What's the forecast for today/tomorrow?

**Wie ist die Wettervorhersage für heute / morgen?**

How warm/cold is it?

**Ist es warm / kalt?**

Is it going to rain?

**Wird es regnen?**

What a lovely day!

**So ein schöner Tag!**

What awful weather!

**Was für furchtbares Wetter!**

It's sunny.

**Es ist sonnig.**

It's cloudy/misty.

**Es ist bewölkt / dunstig.**

It's foggy.

**Es ist neblig.**

It's freezing.

**Es friert.**

It's raining/snowing.

**Es regnet / schneit.**

It's windy.



**Es ist windig.**

It's stormy.

**Es ist stürmisch.**

It's changeable.

**Es ist wechselhaft.**

It is...

**Es ist...**

nice

**schön**

horrible

**schlecht**

hot

**heiß**

warm

**warm**

cool

**kühl**

wet

**nass**

humid

**schwül**

mild

**mild**

temperature

**die Temperatur**

sun

**die Sonne**

rain

**der Regen**

snow

**der Schnee**

hail

**der Hagel**

ice

**das Eis**

wind

**der Wind**

gale

**der Sturm**

mist

**der Dunst**

fog

**der Nebel**

thunder

**der Donner**

lightning

**der Blitz**

thunderstorm

**das Gewitter**

cloud

**die Wolke**



# NUMBERS | DIE ZAHLEN

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1	eins
2	zwei
3	drei
4	vier
5	fünf
6	sechs
7	sieben
8	acht
9	neun
10	zehn
11	elf
12	zwölf
13	dreizehn
14	vierzehn
15	fünfzehn
16	sechzehn
17	siebzehn
18	achtzehn
19	neunzehn
20	zwanzig
30	dreißig
40	vierzig
50	fünfzig
60	sechzig
70	siebzig
80	achtzig
90	neunzig

100	<b>hundert</b>
1000	<b>tausend</b>
1000000	<b>Million</b>

## **TRANSPORT | VERKEHRSMITTEL**

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Travelling to and around Germany has never been easier. You can travel to Germany from the UK by air, sea (via Belgium or the Netherlands), and rail (via France or Belgium – thanks to the Channel Tunnel). Germany's railway system boasts some of the fastest passenger trains in the world – it can be quicker to travel by train than by plane between certain cities – and the country is well connected by road. Local public transport is widely developed, with underground, trams, and buses.



helicopter  
**der Hubschrauber**

1. rotor  
**der Rotor**

2. blade  
**das Rotorblatt**

3. cockpit  
**das Cockpit**

4. nose  
**die Nase**

5. tail  
**das Heck**

## THE BASICS | DAS WESENTLICHE

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When asking for directions, start with “Entschuldigen Sie bitte” and then simply state your destination.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Excuse me...

**Entschuldigen Sie bitte...**

Where is...?

**Wo ist...?**

Which way is...?

**Wo liegt...?**

What's the quickest way to...?

**Wie komme ich am schnellsten zu / nach...?**

How far away is it?

**Wie weit ist es?**

Is it far from here?

**Ist es weit?**

I'm lost.

**Ich habe mich verirrt.**

I'm looking for...

**Ich suche...**

I'm going...

**Ich möchte nach...**



Can I walk there?

**Kann ich dahin zu Fuß gehen?**

I'll take a taxi to the station.

**Ich nehme ein Taxi zum Bahnhof.**

## **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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It's over there.

**Es ist dort drüben.**

It's in the other direction.

**Das liegt in der anderen Richtung.**

It's ... metres/minutes from here.

**Es ist ... Meter / Minuten von hier.**

Go straight ahead.

**Immer geradeaus.**

Turn left/right.

**Biegen Sie links / rechts ab.**

It's next to...

**Es ist neben...**

It's opposite...

**Es liegt gegenüber von...**

It's near...

**Es ist in der Nähe von...**

Follow the signs for...

**Gehen / Fahren Sie in Richtung...**

## **VOCABULARY**

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street  
**die Straße**

commuter  
**der Pendler / die Pendlerin**

driver  
**der Fahrer / die Fahrerin**

passenger  
**der Passagier / die Passagierin**

pedestrian  
**der Fußgänger / die Fußgängerin**

traffic  
**der Verkehr**

traffic jam  
**der Verkehrsstau**

rush hour  
**die Hauptverkehrszeit**

public transport  
**die öffentlichen Verkehrsmittel *ntpl***

taxi  
**das Taxi**

taxi rank  
**der Taxistand**

directions  
**die Anweisungen *fpl***

route  
**die Strecke**

to walk  
**gehen**

to drive  
**fahren**

to return  
**zurückkehren**

to cross  
**überqueren**

to turn  
**umdrehen**

to commute  
**pendeln**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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At pedestrian crossings, be aware that you must stop when the light turns to amber and before it turns red.



map  
**die Landkarte**



ticket  
die Fahrkarte



timetable  
der Zeitplan

## CAR | MIT DEM AUTO

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Traffic drives on the right-hand side in Germany – vehicles must give way to drivers approaching from their right at intersections, but from their left on roundabouts! Remember to carry your driving licence, proof of insurance, ID, and car registration documents with you while driving in Germany.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Is this the road to...?

**Ist das der Weg nach...?**

Can I park here?

**Kann ich hier parken?**

Do I have to pay to park?

**Ist das Parken kostenpflichtig?**

Where can I hire a car?

**Wo kann ich ein Auto mieten?**

I'd like to hire a car...

**Ich würde gern ein Auto mieten...**

... for four days/a week.

**... für vier Tage / eine Woche.**

What is your daily/weekly rate?

**Was ist Ihr Preis pro Tag / Woche?**

When/Where must I return it?

**Wann / Wohin soll ich es zurückbringen?**

Where is the nearest petrol station?  
**Wo ist die nächste Tankstelle?**

I'd like ... litres of fuel, please.  
**... Liter Benzin, bitte.**

## **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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You can/can't park here.  
**Hier können Sie parken / nicht parken.**

It's free to park here.  
**Das Parken ist hier kostenlos.**

It costs ... to park here.  
**Das Parken kostet hier...**

Car hire is ... per day/week.  
**Der Mietpreis für ein Auto ist ... pro Tag / Woche.**

May I see your documents, please?  
**Ihre Papiere, bitte.**

Please return it to...  
**Bringen Sie es bitte nach ... zurück.**

Please return the car with a full tank of fuel.  
**Bitte bringen Sie das Auto aufgetankt zurück.**

Which pump are you at?  
**An welcher Zapfsäule sind Sie?**

How much fuel would you like?  
**Wie viel Benzin möchten Sie?**

## **VOCABULARY**

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people carrier  
**der Minivan**

motorhome  
**das Wohnmobil**

caravan  
**der Wohnwagen**

passenger seat  
**der Beifahrersitz**

driver's seat  
**der Fahrersitz**

back seat  
**der Rücksitz**

child seat  
**der Kindersitz**

roof rack  
**der Dachgepäckträger**

sunroof  
**das Schiebedach**

automatic  
**die Automatik**

electric car  
**das Elektroauto**

hybrid  
**das Hybridauto**

engine  
**der Motor**

battery  
**die Batterie**

brake  
**die Bremse**

accelerator  
**das Gaspedal**

air conditioning  
**die Klimaanlage**

clutch  
**die Kupplung**

cruise control  
**der Tempomat**

exhaust (pipe)  
**das Auspuffrohr**

fuel tank  
**der Benzintank**

gearbox  
**das Schaltgetriebe**

transmission  
**das Getriebe**

Breathalyser®  
**der Promillemesser**

to start the engine  
**den Motor anlassen**

to brake  
**bremsen**



to overtake  
**überholen**

to park  
**parken**

to reverse  
**zurücksetzen**

to slow down  
**verlangsamen**

to speed  
**die Geschwindigkeit überschreiten**

to stop  
**anhalten**

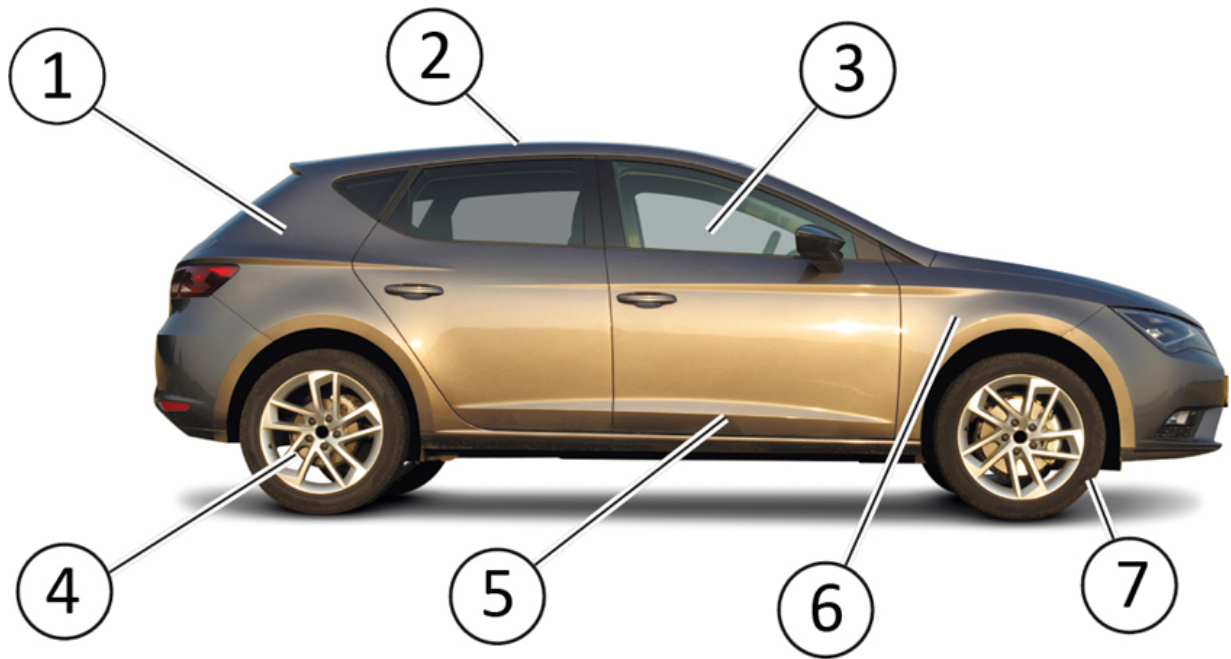
### **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Sat navs that are able to detect speed cameras are illegal in Germany: many UK sat navs have this feature, so take care to disable this option if you wish to use your sat nav while driving in Germany.

## EXTERIOR

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1. boot  
**der Kofferraum**

2. roof  
**das Dach**

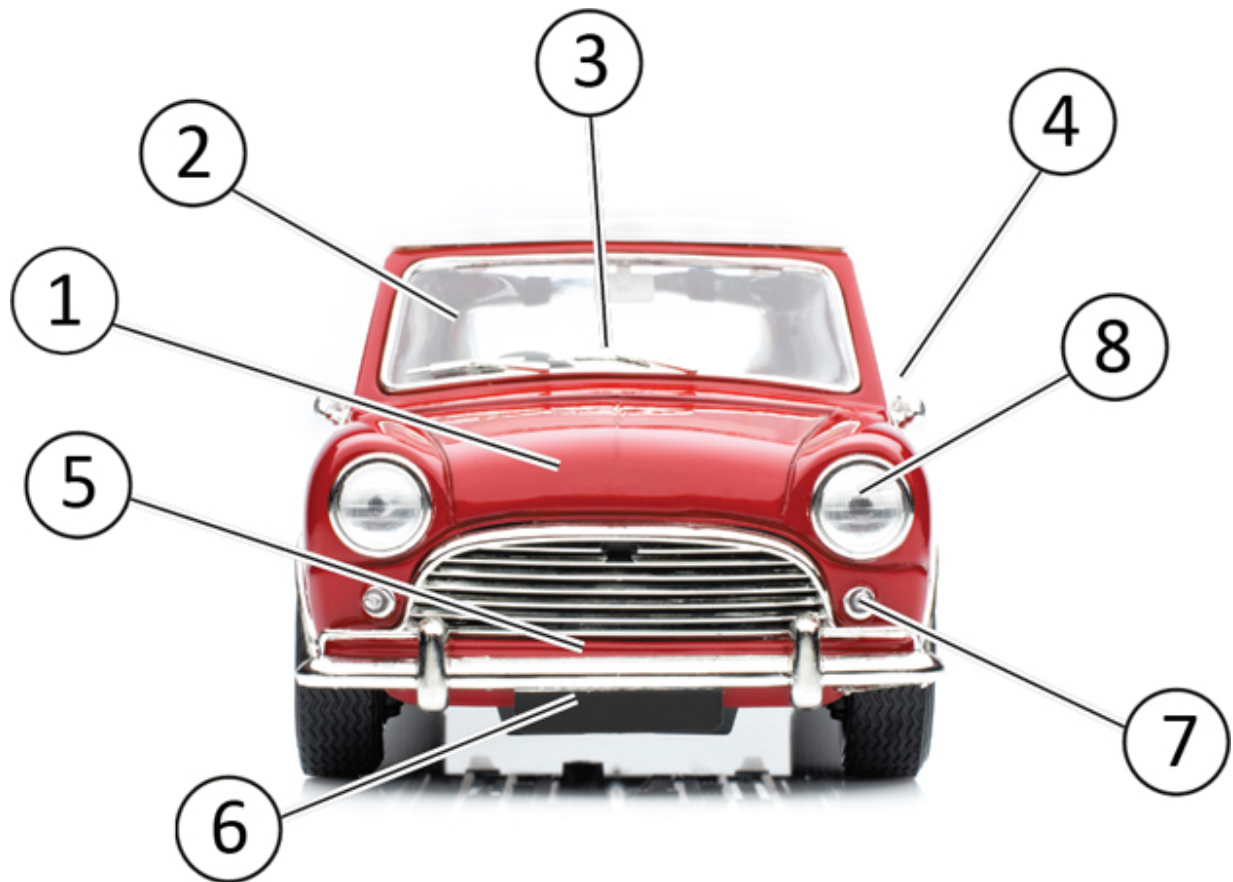
3. window  
**das Fenster**

4. wheel  
**das Rad**

5. door  
**die Tür**

6. wing  
**der Kotflügel**

7. tyre  
**der Autoreifen**



1. bonnet  
**die Motorhaube**

2. windscreen  
**die Windschutzscheibe**

3. windscreen wiper  
**der Scheibenwischer**

4. wing mirror  
**der Seitenspiegel**

5. bumper  
**die Stoßstange**

6. number plate  
**das Nummernschild**

7. indicator  
**der Blinker**

8. headlight  
**der Scheinwerfer**

## INTERIOR

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dashboard  
**das Armaturenbrett**



fuel gauge  
**die Tankanzeige**



gearstick  
**der Schaltknüppel**



glove compartment  
**das Handschuhfach**



handbrake  
**die Handbremse**



headrest  
**die Kopfstütze**



ignition  
**die Zündung**



rearview mirror  
**der Rückspiegel**



sat nav  
das Navi



seatbelt  
der Sicherheitsgurt





speedometer  
**der Tachometer**



steering wheel  
**das Lenkrad**

## DRIVING | DAS FAHREN

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Germany has an excellent motorway system free of charge, and there is no speed limit. Be aware, though, that there are often temporary speed restrictions which must be respected. Also, be careful when you overtake that the way is clear, as there may be another car coming up behind you at high speed. You must then swing back into the right-hand lane as soon as possible.

### VOCABULARY

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dual carriageway

**die Schnellstraße**

single-track road

**die einspurige Landstraße**

tarmac®

**der Asphalt**

corner

**die Ecke**

exit

**die Ausfahrt**

slip road

**die Zufahrtsstraße**

layby

**die Parkbucht**

speed limit

**die Geschwindigkeitsbegrenzung**

diversion  
**die Umleitung**

driving licence  
**der Führerschein**

car registration document  
**der Fahrzeugschein**

car insurance  
**die Kraftfahrzeugversicherung**

car hire/rental  
**die Autovermietung**

unleaded petrol  
**das bleifreie Benzin**

diesel  
**der Diesel**

roadworks  
**die Straßenarbeiten *fpl***

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Speed limits on German roads go by kmph, not mph. In dry weather, the limits are 50 kmph (31 mph) in built-up areas and 100 kmph (62 mph) on two-lane highways (unless otherwise indicated). There are no speed limits other than temporary ones on dual carriageways and motorways, but note that 130 kmph is the recommended top speed. In some places, there may be speed limits in wet weather (“bei Nässe”).



accessible parking space  
**der Behindertenparkplatz**



bridge  
**die Brücke**



car park  
**der Parkplatz**



car wash  
**die Autowaschanlage**



fuel pump  
**die Zapfsäule**



junction  
**die Kreuzung**



kerb  
**die Bordkante**



lane  
**die Fahrspur**



level crossing  
**der Bahnübergang**



motorway  
**die Autobahn**





parking meter  
**die Parkuhr**



parking space  
**die Parklücke**



pavement  
**der Bürgersteig**



petrol station  
**die Tankstelle**



pothole  
**das Schlagloch**



road  
**die Straße**



roundabout  
**der Kreisverkehr**



service area  
**die Raststätte**



speed camera  
die **Geschwindigkeitskamera**



traffic cone  
der **Pylon**



traffic lights  
**die Verkehrsampel**



traffic warden  
**der Verkehrspolizist / die Verkehrspolizistin**



tunnel  
**der Tunnel**



zebra crossing  
**der Zebrastreifen**

## CAR TROUBLE | PROBLEME MIT DEM AUTO

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If you break down on the motorway, put on a hi-viz vest, set up the warning triangle, then call the police or the breakdown service operating in that area using one of the orange emergency telephones that are located every 2 km along the side of the road. Otherwise, call 112 to contact the emergency services.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Can you help me?

**Können Sie mir helfen?**

I've broken down.

**Mein Auto hat versagt.**

I've had an accident.

**Ich hatte einen Unfall.**

I've run out of petrol.

**Mir ist das Benzin ausgegangen.**

I've got a flat tyre.

**Ich habe einen platten Reifen.**

I've lost my car keys.

**Ich habe meinen Autoschlüssel verloren.**

The car won't start.

**Das Auto startet nicht.**

There's a problem with...

**Wir haben ein Problem mit...**



I've been injured.  
**Ich bin verletzt.**

Can you send a breakdown van?  
**Können Sie einen Abschleppwagen schicken?**

Is there a garage/petrol station nearby?  
**Gibt es in der Nähe eine Werkstatt / eine Tankstelle?**

Can you tow me to a garage?  
**Können Sie mich bis zur Werkstatt abschleppen?**

Can you help me change this wheel?  
**Können Sie mir helfen, das Rad zu wechseln?**

How much will a repair cost?  
**Wie viel kostet die Reparatur?**

When will the car be fixed?  
**Bis wann können Sie das Auto reparieren?**

May I take your insurance details?  
**Können Sie mir die Kontaktdaten Ihrer Versicherung geben?**

## **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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Do you need any help?  
**Kann ich Ihnen helfen?**

Are you hurt?  
**Sind sie verletzt?**

What's wrong with your car?  
**Was ist mit Ihrem Auto los?**

Where have you broken down?  
**Wo ist Ihr Auto liegengeblieben?**

I can tow you to...

**Ich kann Sie bis ... abschleppen.**

I can give you a jumpstart.

**Ich kann Ihnen Starthilfe geben.**

The repairs will cost...

**Die Reparatur wird ... kosten.**

We need to order new parts.

**Wir müssen Ersatzteile bestellen.**

The car will be ready by...

**Das Auto wird ... fertig sein.**

I need your insurance details.

**Ich brauche die Kontaktdaten Ihrer Versicherung.**

Call an ambulance/the police!

**Rufen Sie den Rettungsdienst / die Polizei!**

## **VOCABULARY**

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accident

**der Unfall**

breakdown

**die Panne**

collision

**der Zusammenstoß**

flat tyre

**der platte Reifen**

to break down

**kaputtgehen**

to have an accident  
**einen Unfall haben**

to have a flat tyre  
**einen platten Reifen haben**

to change a tyre  
**den Reifen wechseln**

to tow  
**abschleppen**

### **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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When driving in Germany, you are legally required to have the following in your car: headlight converters; spare bulbs; warning triangles; hi-viz vests; and a Breathalyser® kit. You must also display a GB car sticker if you are driving a UK-registered vehicle.



airbag  
**der Airbag**



antifreeze  
**das Frostschutzmittel**



emergency phone  
**das Notruftelefon**



garage  
**die Garage**



hi-viz vest  
**die Warnweste**



jack  
**der Wagenheber**



jump leads  
**die Starthilfekabel** *ntpl*



mechanic  
**der Mechaniker / die Mechanikerin**



snow chains  
**die Schneeketten *fpl***



spare wheel  
**das Reserverad**



tow truck  
**der Abschleppwagen**





warning triangle  
**das Warndreieck**

## **BUS | MIT DEM BUS**

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Local bus and trolleybus services are often well organized and useful; for longer journeys, rail services are usually faster and more frequent than bus or coach services.

### **YOU MIGHT SAY...**

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Is there a bus to...?

**Geht ein Bus nach...?**

When is the next bus to...?

**Wann geht der nächste Bus nach...?**

Which bus goes to the city centre?

**Welcher Bus fährt ins Stadtzentrum?**

Where is the bus stop?

**Wo ist die Bushaltestelle?**

Which stand does the coach leave from?

**Von welchem Steig fährt der Reisebus?**

Where can I buy tickets?

**Wo kann ich Fahrscheine kaufen?**

How much is it to go to...?

**Wie viel kostet die Fahrt nach...?**

A full/half fare, please.

**Einen Fahrschein zum vollen / halben Preis, bitte.**

A single/return ticket, please.

**Eine Einzelfahrkarte / Rückfahrkarte, bitte.**

Could you tell me when to get off?

**Können Sie mir bitte sagen, wann ich aussteigen soll?**

How many stops is it?

**Wie viele Haltestellen sind das?**

## **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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The number 17 goes to...

**Die Linie 17 fährt nach...**

The bus stop is down the road.

**Die Bushaltestelle ist weiter unten an der Straße.**

It leaves from stand 21.

**Er fährt von Steig Nummer 21.**

There's a bus every 10 minutes.

**Der Bus fährt alle 10 Minuten.**

You buy tickets at the machine/ office.

**Sie können Fahrscheine am Automaten / bei der Verkaufsstelle kaufen.**

This is your stop.

**Hier ist Ihre Haltestelle.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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bus route

**die Buslinie**

bus lane

**die Busspur**

bus station

**der Busbahnhof**

fare

**der Fahrpreis**

full fare

**der volle Fahrpreis**

half fare

**der halbe Fahrpreis**

concession

**die Ermäßigung**

wheelchair access

**der Rollstuhlzugang**

night bus

**der Nachtbus**

shuttle bus

**der Shuttlebus**

school bus

**der Schulbus**

airport bus

**der Flughafenbus**

tour bus

**der Reisebus**

to catch the bus

**den Bus nehmen**

**YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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You may be required to validate (“entwerten”) your ticket before or as you board your bus or trolleybus.



bus  
**der Bus**



bus shelter  
**das Wartehäuschen**



bus stop  
**die Bushaltestelle**



coach  
**der Reisebus**



minibus  
**der Kleinbus**



trolley bus  
**der Trolleybus**

## **BICYCLE | MIT DEM FAHRRAD**

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Cycling is hugely popular in Germany; there are many short-distance and long-distance routes. In city centres, signposts showing both a bicycle and a pedestrian mean that you must ride at walking speed.

### **YOU MIGHT SAY...**

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Where can I hire a bicycle?

**Wo kann ich ein Fahrrad mieten?**

How much is it to hire?

**Wie viel kostet der Verleih?**

My bike has a puncture.

**Ich habe eine Reifenpanne.**

Is there a cycle path nearby?

**Gibt es hier in der Nähe einen Radweg?**

### **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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Bike hire is ... per day/week.

**Der Verleih ist ... pro Tag / Woche.**

You must wear a helmet.

**Sie müssen einen Helm tragen.**

There's a cycle path from ... to...

**Ein Radweg geht von ... bis...**

### **VOCABULARY**

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cyclist  
**der Radfahrer / die Radfahrerin**

mountain bike  
**das Mountainbike**

road bike  
**das Rennrad**

hybrid bike  
**das Hybridrad**

bike stand  
**der Fahrradständer**

bike rack  
**der Fahrradträger**

child seat  
**der Kindersitz**

cycle lane  
**der Fahrradweg**

cycle path  
**der Radweg**

puncture repair kit  
**das Reparaturkästchen**

reflective vest  
**die Warnweste**

cycling shorts  
**die Radlerhose**

to cycle  
**radfahren**

to go for a bike ride  
**eine Fahrradfahrt machen**

## **ACCESSORIES**

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bell  
**die Klingel**



bike lock  
**das Fahrradschloss**



front light  
**der Frontscheinwerfer**



helmet  
**der Helm**



pump  
**die Fahrradpumpe**



reflector  
**der Reflektor**

## BICYCLE

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1. handlebars  
**die Lenkstange**

2. gears  
**die Gänge *mpl***

3. crossbar  
**die Querstange**

4. brake  
**die Bremse**

5. pedal  
**das Pedal**

6. chain  
**die Kette**

7. saddle  
**der Sattel**

8. frame  
**der Rahmen**

9. wheel  
**das Rad**

10. tyre  
**der Radreifen**

# MOTORBIKE | MIT DEM MOTORRAD

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## VOCABULARY

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motorcyclist

**der Motorradfahrer / die Motorradfahrerin**

moped

**das Moped**

scooter

**der Roller**

fuel tank

**der Benzintank**

handlebars

**die Lenkstange**

headlight

**der Scheinwerfer**

mudguard

**der Kotflügel**

kickstand

**der Seitenständer**

leathers

**die Lederbekleidung**

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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Motorcyclists must wear helmets and drive with their lights on.



boots  
**die Stiefel** *mpl*



crash helmet  
**der Sturzhelm**





helmet cam  
**die Helmkamera**



leather gloves  
**die Lederhandschuhe** *mpl*



leather jacket  
**die Lederjacke**



motorbike  
**das Motorrad**

## RAIL TRAVEL | MIT DEM ZUG

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Germany has a well-developed, well-organized national railway system. Before boarding a local train, it's important to validate ("entwerten") your ticket: failure to do so can result in a fine. However, you don't need to validate your inter-city train ticket or your self-printed e-tickets.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Is there a train to...?

**Geht ein Zug nach...?**

When is the next train to...?

**Wann geht der nächste Zug nach...?**

Where is the nearest metro station?

**Wo ist die nächste U-Bahnstation?**

Which platform does it leave from?

**Von welchem Bahnsteig fährt er ab?**

Which line do I take for...?

**Mit welcher Linie komme ich nach...?**

A ticket to ..., please.

**Eine Fahrkarte nach ..., bitte.**

A return ticket to ..., please.

**Eine Rückfahrkarte nach ..., bitte.**

I'd like to reserve a seat please.

**Ich würde gerne einen Sitzplatz buchen.**

Do I have to change?  
**Muss ich umsteigen?**

Where do I change for...?  
**Wo steige ich nach ... um?**

Where is platform 4?  
**Wo ist Bahnsteig Nummer 4?**

Is this the right platform for...?  
**Ist dies der richtige Bahnsteig für den Zug nach...?**

Is this the train for...?  
**Ist das der Zug nach...?**

Is this seat free?  
**Ist dieser Sitz frei?**

I've missed my train!  
**Ich habe meinen Zug verpasst!**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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The Berlin underground (U-Bahn) system is among the most modern in Europe, and there are numerous other ways to get around the city. You can buy your tickets at home via the website or mobile app.

## **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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The next train leaves at...  
**Der nächste Zug fährt um ... ab.**

Would you like a single or return ticket?  
**Möchten Sie eine einfache Fahrkarte oder eine Rückfahrkarte?**

I'm sorry, this journey is fully booked.  
**Es tut mir leid, der Zug ist ausgebucht.**

You must change at...

**Sie müssen in ... umsteigen.**

Platform 4 is down there.

**Bahnsteig Nummer 4 ist dort.**

This is the right train/platform.

**Das ist der richtige Zug / Bahnsteig.**

You have to go to platform 2.

**Sie müssen zum Bahnsteig Nummer 2 gehen.**

This seat is free/taken.

**Dieser Sitz ist frei / besetzt.**

The restaurant car is in coach D.

**Das Bordrestaurant ist in Wagen D.**

The next stop is...

**Die nächste Haltestelle ist...**

Change here for...

**Steigen Sie hier nach ... um.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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rail network

**das Eisenbahnnetz**

high-speed train

**der Hochgeschwindigkeitszug**

passenger train

**der Personenzug**

freight train

**der Güterzug**

sleeper  
**der Nachtzug**

coach  
**der Wagen**

line  
**die Linie**

metro station  
**die U-Bahnstation**

left luggage  
**die Gepäckaufbewahrung**

railcard  
**die Bahnkarte**

single ticket  
**die einfache Fahrkarte**

return ticket  
**die Rückfahrkarte**

e-ticket  
**das Online-Ticket**

first-class  
**prioritär**

quiet coach  
**der Ruhebereich**

seat reservation  
**die Sitzplatzreservierung**

to change trains  
**umsteigen**

to validate a ticket  
**eine Fahrkarte entwerten**



carriage  
**der Wagen**



couchette  
**der Liegeplatz**



departure board  
der Anzeigetafel



guard  
der Bahnbeamte / die Bahnbeamtin





light railway  
**die S-Bahn**



locomotive  
**die Lokomotive**



luggage rack  
**die Gepäckablage**



metro  
**die U-Bahn**



plattform  
der **Bahnsteig**



porter  
der **Gepäckträger** / die **Gepäckträgerin**



restaurant car  
das **Bordrestaurant**



signal box  
das **Stellwerk**



sliding doors  
**die Schiebetüren** *fpl*



ticket barrier  
**die Fahrkartensperre**



ticket machine  
der Fahrscheinautomat



ticket office  
der Fahrkartenschalter



track  
**die Schienen** *fpl*



train  
**der Zug**



train station  
**der Bahnhof**



tram  
**die Straßenbahn**





validation machine  
**der Entwerter**

# AIR TRAVEL | MIT DEM FLUGZEUG

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I'm looking for check-in/my gate.

**Ich suche meinen Abfertigungsschalter / mein Gate.**

I'm checking in one case.

**Ich checke einen Koffer ein.**

Which gate does the plane leave from?

**Von welchem Gate geht mein Flug?**

When does the gate open/close?

**Wann beginnt / endet das Boarding?**

Is the flight on time?

**Ist der Flug pünktlich?**

I would like a window/aisle seat, please.

**Ich hätte gerne einen Sitz am Fenster / Gang.**

I've lost my luggage.

**Mein Gepäck ist verloren gegangen.**

My flight has been delayed.

**Mein Flug hat Verspätung.**

I've missed my connecting flight.

**Ich habe meinen Anschlussflug verpasst.**

Is there a shuttle bus service?

**Gibt es einen Shuttle-Service?**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Check-in has opened for flight...

**Der Check-in-Schalter für Flug Nummer ... ist geöffnet.**

May I see your ticket/passport, please?

**Kann ich bitte Ihr Ticket / Ihren Pass sehen?**

How many bags are you checking in?

**Wie viel Gepäck checken Sie ein?**

Your luggage exceeds the maximum weight.

**Sie sind über der Freigepäckmenge.**

Please go to gate number...

**Bitte begeben Sie sich zu Gate Nummer...**

Your flight is delayed/cancelled.

**Ihr Flug hat Verspätung / wurde annulliert.**

Is this your bag?

**Ist das Ihre Tasche?**

Flight ... is now ready for boarding.

**Der Flug ... ist bereit zum Einsteigen.**

Last call for passenger...

**Letzter Aufruf für Passagier...**

## VOCABULARY

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airline

**die Fluglinie**

terminal

**der Terminal**

Arrivals/Departures  
**Ankünfte / Abflüge**

security  
**der Sicherheitsdienst**

passport control  
**die Passkontrolle**

customs  
**die Zollabfertigung**

cabin crew  
**das Flugbegleitpersonal**

business class  
**die Business Class**

economy class  
**die Touristenklasse**

aisle  
**der Gang**

tray table  
**der Klapptisch**

overhead locker  
**das Gepäckfach**

seatbelt  
**der Sicherheitsgurt**

wing  
**die Tragfläche**

engine  
**die Maschine**

fuselage  
**der Rumpf**

hold  
**der Frachtraum**

hold luggage  
**das aufgegebenes Gepäck**

excess baggage  
**das Übergepäck**

hand/cabin baggage  
**das Handgepäck**

connecting flight  
**der Anschlussflug**

jetlag  
**der Jetlag**

to check in (online)  
**(Online) einchecken**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Germany has a lot of airports, but many airlines only operate routes from the UK to major cities in Germany, so it is best to check well in advance when flights to less central destinations are available.



aeroplane  
**das Flugzeug**



airport  
**der Flughafen**



baggage reclaim  
**die Gepäckaushabe**



boarding card  
**die Bordkarte**



cabin  
**die Kabine**



check-in desk  
**der Check-in-Schalter**





cockpit  
**das Cockpit**



departure board  
**die Anzeigetafel**



duty-free shop  
**der Duty-free-Shop**



holdall  
**die Reisetasche**



luggage trolley  
**der Kofferkuli**



passport  
**der Reisepass**



pilot  
**der Pilot / die Pilotin**



runway  
**die Landebahn**



suitcase  
**der Koffer**

# FERRY AND BOAT TRAVEL | FÄHRE UND BOOT

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From the northern ports of Germany, you can take ferries to Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Latvia, and Lithuania.

## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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When is the next boat to...?

**Wann geht das nächste Boot nach...?**

Where does the boat leave from?

**Von wo legt das Boot ab?**

What time is the last boat to...?

**Wann geht das letzte Boot nach...?**

How long is the trip/crossing?

**Wie lange dauert die Reise / die Überfahrt?**

How many crossings a day are there?

**Wie viele Überfahrten gibt es am Tag?**

How much for ... passengers?

**Wie viel ist es für ... Passagiere?**

How much does it cost for a vehicle?

**Wie viel ist es für ein Auto?**

I feel seasick.

**Ich bin seekrank.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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The boat leaves from...

**Das Boot legt von ... ab.**

The trip/crossing lasts...

**Die Reise / die Überfahrt dauert...**

There are ... crossings a day.

**Pro Tag gibt es ... Überfahrten.**

The ferry is delayed/cancelled.

**Die Fähre hat Verspätung / ist annulliert.**

Sea conditions are good/bad.

**Die Seebedingungen sind gut / schlecht.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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ferry crossing

**die Überfahrt**

ferry terminal

**der Fährhafen**

car deck

**das Autodeck**

deck

**das Deck**

funnel

**der Schornstein**

porthole

**das Bullauge**

lifeboat

**das Rettungsboot**

bow  
**der Bug**

stern  
**das Heck**

port  
**der Hafen**

marina  
**der Jachthafen**

canal  
**der Kanal**

coastguard  
**die Küstenwache**

captain  
**der Kapitän**

crew  
**die Besatzung**

foot passenger  
**der Fußpassagier / die Fußpassagierin**

to board  
**an Bord gehen**

to sail  
**auslaufen**

to dock  
**anlegen**



## GENERAL

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anchor  
**der Anker**



buoy  
**die Boje**



gangway  
**die Gangway**



harbour  
**der Hafen**



jetty  
der Hafendamm



lifebuoy  
der Rettungsring



lifejacket  
**die Schwimmweste**



lock  
**die Schleuse**



mooring  
**der Anlegeplatz**

## **BOATS**

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canal boat  
**das Kanalboot**



canoe  
**das Kanu**



ferry  
**die Fähre**



inflatable dinghy  
**das Schlauchboot**



kayak  
**das Kajak**



liner  
**das Passagierschiff**



rowing boat  
**das Ruderboot**





sailing boat  
**das Segelboot**



yacht  
**die Jacht**

## IN THE HOME | IM HAUS

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Germany is attracting more and more tourists and expats looking for a place to call “Zuhause” for a time, whether it’s for a holiday or a longer-term stay. This could be a city-centre apartment, a cosy cottage in a rural spot, or an expansive and luxurious castle.



block of flats  
**der Wohnblock**

1. roof  
**das Dach**

2. balcony  
**der Balkon**

3. window  
**das Fenster**

## THE BASICS | DAS WESENTLICHE

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Most of Germany's population lives in urban areas, although it's quite common for people to head out of the city at the weekend, perhaps to see family or explore the countryside.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I live in...

**Ich wohne in...**

I'm staying at...

**Ich wohne bei...**

My address is...

**Meine Adresse ist...**

I have a flat/house.

**Ich habe eine Wohnung / ein Haus.**

I'm the homeowner/tenant.

**Ich bin der Eigentümer / der Mieter.**

I've recently moved.

**Ich bin vor kurzem eingezogen.**

I'm moving to...

**Ich ziehe nach...**

I don't like this area.

**Ich mag die Gegend nicht.**

I'd like to buy/rent a property here.

**Ich würde hier gerne etwas kaufen / mieten.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Where do you live?

**Wo wohnen Sie?**

Where are you staying?

**Bei wem wohnen Sie?**

How long have you lived here?

**Seit wann wohnen Sie hier?**

What's your address, please?

**Was ist Ihre Adresse?**

Are you the owner/tenant?

**Sind Sie Eigentümer / Mieter?**

Do you like this area?

**Magen Sie diese Gegend?**

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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Rental agreements and the protection available for tenants can vary according to whether the property is furnished or unfurnished; make sure you understand what your rights are if you intend to rent long term in Germany.

## VOCABULARY

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terraced house

**das Reihenhaus**

townhouse

**das Stadthaus**

villa

**die Villa**

building  
**das Gebäude**

address  
**die Adresse**

suburb  
**der Vorort**

district  
**der Bezirk**

letting agent  
**der Makler / die Maklerin**

estate agent  
**der Immobilienhändler / die Immobilienhändlerin**

landlord  
**der Vermieter**

landlady  
**die Vermieterin**

tenant  
**der Mieter / die Mieterin**

neighbour  
**der Nachbar / die Nachbarin**

mortgage  
**die Hypothek**

rent  
**die Miete**

rental agreement  
**der Mietvertrag**

holiday let  
**die Urlaubsvermietung**

to rent  
**mieten**

to own  
**besitzen**

to live  
**wohnen**

to move house  
**umziehen**

to build a house  
**ein Haus bauen**

## **TYPES OF BUILDING**

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apartment block  
**der Wohnblock**



bungalow  
**der Bungalow**



detached house  
**das Einzelhaus**





farmhouse  
**der Bauernhof**



semi-detached house  
**das Doppelhaus**



studio flat  
**die Einzimmerwohnung**

# THE HOUSE | DAS HAUS

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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We are renovating our home.  
**Wir renovieren unser Haus.**

We are redecorating the lounge.  
**Wir machen das Wohnzimmer neu.**

There's a problem with...  
**Wir haben ein Problem mit...**

It's not working.  
**Es funktioniert nicht.**

The drains are blocked.  
**Die Rohre sind verstopft.**

The boiler has broken.  
**Der Boiler ist kaputt.**

There's no hot water.  
**Wir haben kein warmes Wasser.**

We have a power cut.  
**Der Strom ist ausgefallen.**

I need a plumber/an electrician.  
**Ich brauche einen Klempner / einen Elektriker.**

Can you recommend anyone?  
**Können Sie mir jemanden empfehlen?**

Can it be repaired?

**Ist es reparierbar?**

I can smell gas/smoke.

**Es riecht nach Gas / Rauch.**

**YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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What seems to be the problem?

**Was ist das Problem?**

How long has it been broken/ leaking?

**Seit wann ist es kaputt / undicht?**

Where is the meter/fusebox?

**Wo ist der Stromzähler / der Sicherungskasten?**

Here's a number for a plumber/an electrician.

**Hier ist die Nummer für einen Klempner / einen Elektriker.**

**VOCABULARY**

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room

**das Zimmer**

cellar

**der Keller**

attic

**der Dachboden**

ceiling

**die Decke**

wall

**die Wand**

floor

**der Boden**

porch

**die Veranda**

back door

**die Hintertür**

French windows

**die Fenstertür**

balcony

**der Balkon**

skylight

**das Oberlicht**

battery

**die Batterie**

plug

**der Stecker**

adaptor

**der Adapter**

socket

**die Steckdose**

electricity

**die Elektrizität**

air conditioning

**die Klimaanlage**

central heating

**die Zentralheizung**

satellite dish

## die Parabolantenne

power cut

**der Stromausfall**

window cleaner

**der Fensterputzer / die Fensterputzerin**

to fix

**reparieren**

to decorate

**dekoriieren**

to renovate

**renovieren**

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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Tradespeople in Germany must be insured and registered, and it is the householder's responsibility to ensure that any work carried out on their property is done by a qualified supplier.

## INSIDE

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boiler

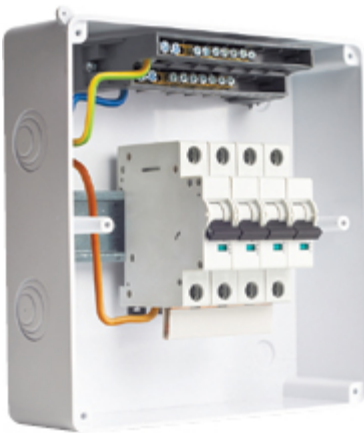
**der Boiler**



ceiling fan  
**der Deckenventilator**



extension cable  
**das Verlängerungskabel**



fusebox  
**der Sicherungskasten**



heater  
**der Heizkörper**



light bulb  
**die Glühbirne**





meter  
**der Stromzähler**



radiator  
**der Heizkörper**



security alarm  
**der Sicherheitsalarm**



smoke alarm  
**der Rauchmelder**



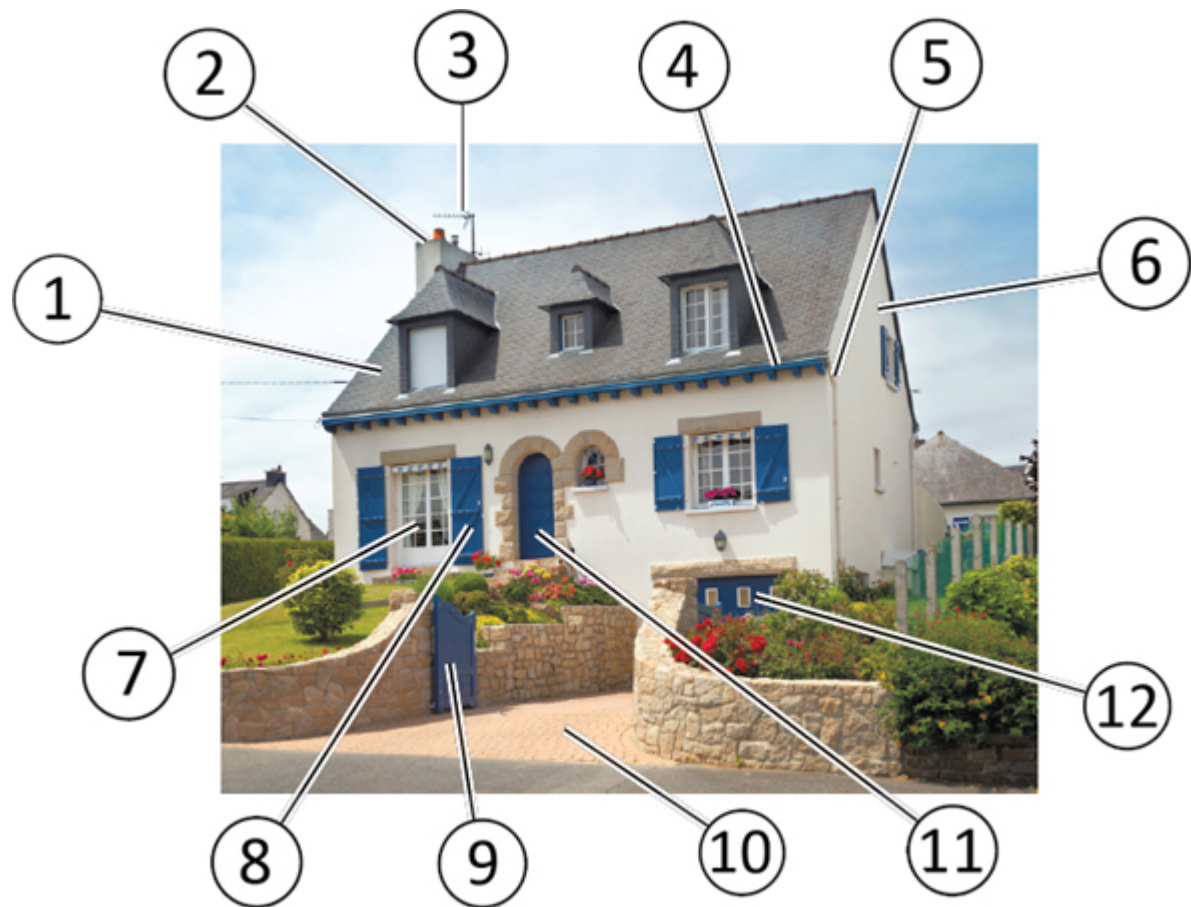
thermostat  
**das Thermostat**



wood-burning stove  
**der Holzofen**

## OUTSIDE

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1. roof  
**das Dach**

2. chimney  
**der Schornstein**

3. aerial  
**die Antenne**

4. gutter  
**die Regenrinne**

5. drainpipe  
**das Abflussrohr**

6. gable  
**der Giebel**

7. window  
**das Fenster**

8. shutter  
**der Fensterladen**

9. gate  
**das Tor**

10. driveway  
**die Auffahrt**

11. front door  
**die Haustür**

12. garage  
**die Garage**

# THE ENTRANCE | DER EINGANG

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## YOU MIGHT SAY/HEAR...

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Would you like to come round?

**Wollen Sie vorbeikommen?**

Hi! Come in.

**Hallo! Kommen Sie rein.**

Make yourself at home.

**Fühlen Sie sich wie zu Hause.**

Shall I take my shoes off?

**Soll ich meine Schuhe ausziehen?**

Can I use your bathroom?

**Wo ist die Toilette?**

Thanks for inviting me over.

**Danke für die Einladung.**

## VOCABULARY

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front door

**die Haustür**

doorway

**der Eingang**

hallway/corridor

**der Flur**

landing

**der Treppenabsatz**

stairwell

**das Treppenhaus**

staircase

**die Treppe**

lift

**der Aufzug**

doormat

**die Fußmatte**

key

**der Schlüssel**

to buzz somebody in

**jemanden mit dem Summer hereinlassen**

to wipe one's feet

**sich die Füße abtreten**

to hang one's jacket up

**die Jacke aufhängen**



doorbell  
**die Türklingel**



intercom  
**die Sprechanlage**





letterbox  
**der Briefkasten**

# THE LOUNGE | DAS WOHNZIMMER

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## VOCABULARY

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carpet  
**der Teppich**

floorboards  
**die Dielen** *fp/*

suite  
**die Garnitur**

sofa bed  
**das Schlafsofa**

table lamp  
**die Tischlampe**

home entertainment system  
**das Home-Entertainment-System**

cable TV  
**das Kabelfernsehen**

satellite TV  
**das Satellitenfernsehen**

TV on demand  
**das Fernsehen auf Abruf**

to relax  
**sich entspannen**

to sit down

**sich setzen**

to watch TV  
**fernsehen**

## **GENERAL**

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bookcase  
**das Bücherregal**



curtains  
**die Vorhänge** *mpl*



display cabinet  
**die Vitrine**



DVD/Blu-ray® player  
**der DVD-Player / Blu-ray-Player®**



radio  
**das Radio**



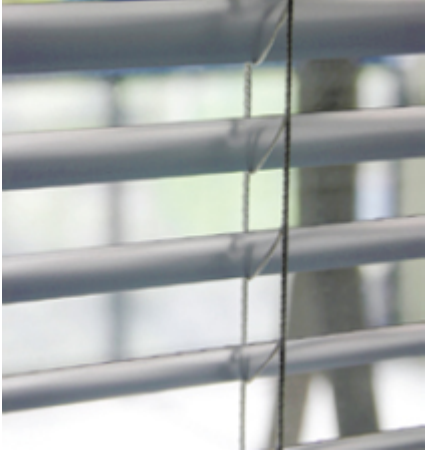
remote control  
**die Fernbedienung**



sideboard  
**die Anrichte**



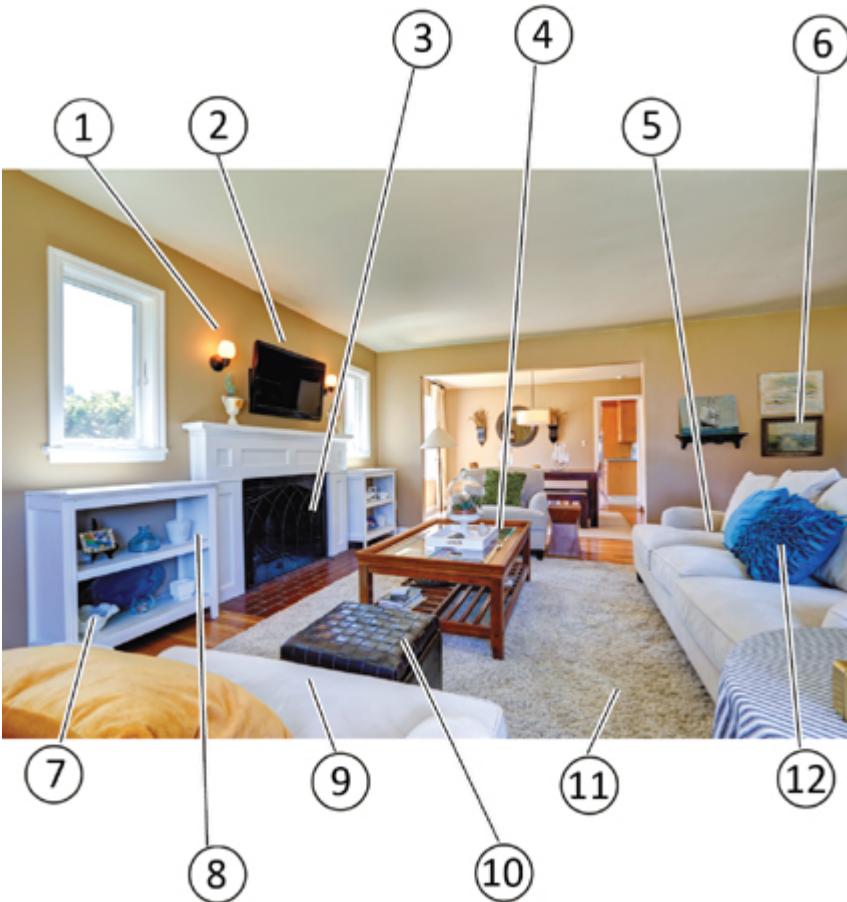
TV stand  
**der Fernsehschrank**



Venetian blind  
**die Jalousie**

# LOUNGE

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1. wall light  
**die Wandleuchte**

2. TV  
**der Fernseher**

3. fireplace  
**der Kamin**

4. coffee table  
**der Couchtisch**

5. sofa  
**das Sofa**

6. picture  
**das Bild**

7. ornament  
**das Ornament**

8. shelves  
**das Regal**

9. armchair  
**der Sessel**

10. footstool  
**der Schemel**

11. rug  
**der Teppich**

12. cushion  
**das Kissen**



# THE KITCHEN | DIE KÜCHE

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Although people tend to eat in the dining room if they have one, or at a table in the lounge, many people also eat in the kitchen where there is often a corner bench.

## VOCABULARY

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kettle  
**der Kessel**

toaster  
**der Toaster**

electric cooker  
**der Elektroherd**

gas cooker  
**der Gasherd**

cooker hood  
**die Abzugshaube**

to cook  
**kochen**

to fry  
**braten**

to stir-fry  
**(unter Rühren) kurz anbraten**

to boil  
**kochen**

to roast  
**braten**

to bake  
**backen**

to wash up  
**das Geschirr spülen**

to clean the worktops  
**die Arbeitsfläche saubermachen**

to put away the groceries  
**die Einkäufe einräumen**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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In most German homes you will find appliances for cooking roasts and fish, a pressure cooker, and a large variety of baking utensils.

## **KITCHEN UTENSILS**

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baking tray  
**das Backblech**



cafetière  
**die Pressfilterkanne**



casserole dish  
**der Schmortopf**



chopping board  
**das Hackbrett**



colander  
**das Sieb**



corkscrew  
**der Korkenzieher**



food processor  
**die Küchenmaschine**



frying pan  
**die Bratpfanne**



grater  
**die Reibe**



hand mixer  
**der Handmixer**



kitchen knife  
**das Küchenmesser**



ladle  
**der Schöpflöffel**



masher  
**der Kartoffelstampfer**



measuring jug  
**der Messbecher**



mixing bowl  
**die Rührschüssel**





peeler  
**der Schäler**



rolling pin  
**das Nudelholz**



saucepan  
**der Kochtopf**



sieve  
**das Sieb**



spatula  
**der Spachtel**



tin opener  
**der Dosenöffner**



whisk  
**der Schneebesen**



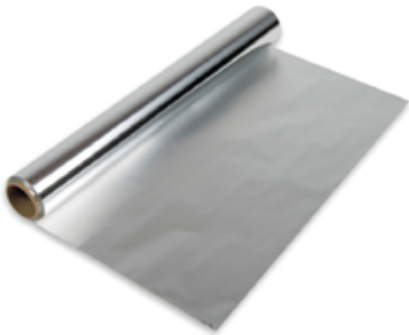
wok  
**der Wok**



wooden spoon  
**der Holzlöffel**

## **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

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aluminium foil  
**die Alufolie**



bin bag  
**die Mülltüte**



bread bin  
**der Brotkasten**



clingfilm  
**die Frischhaltefolie**



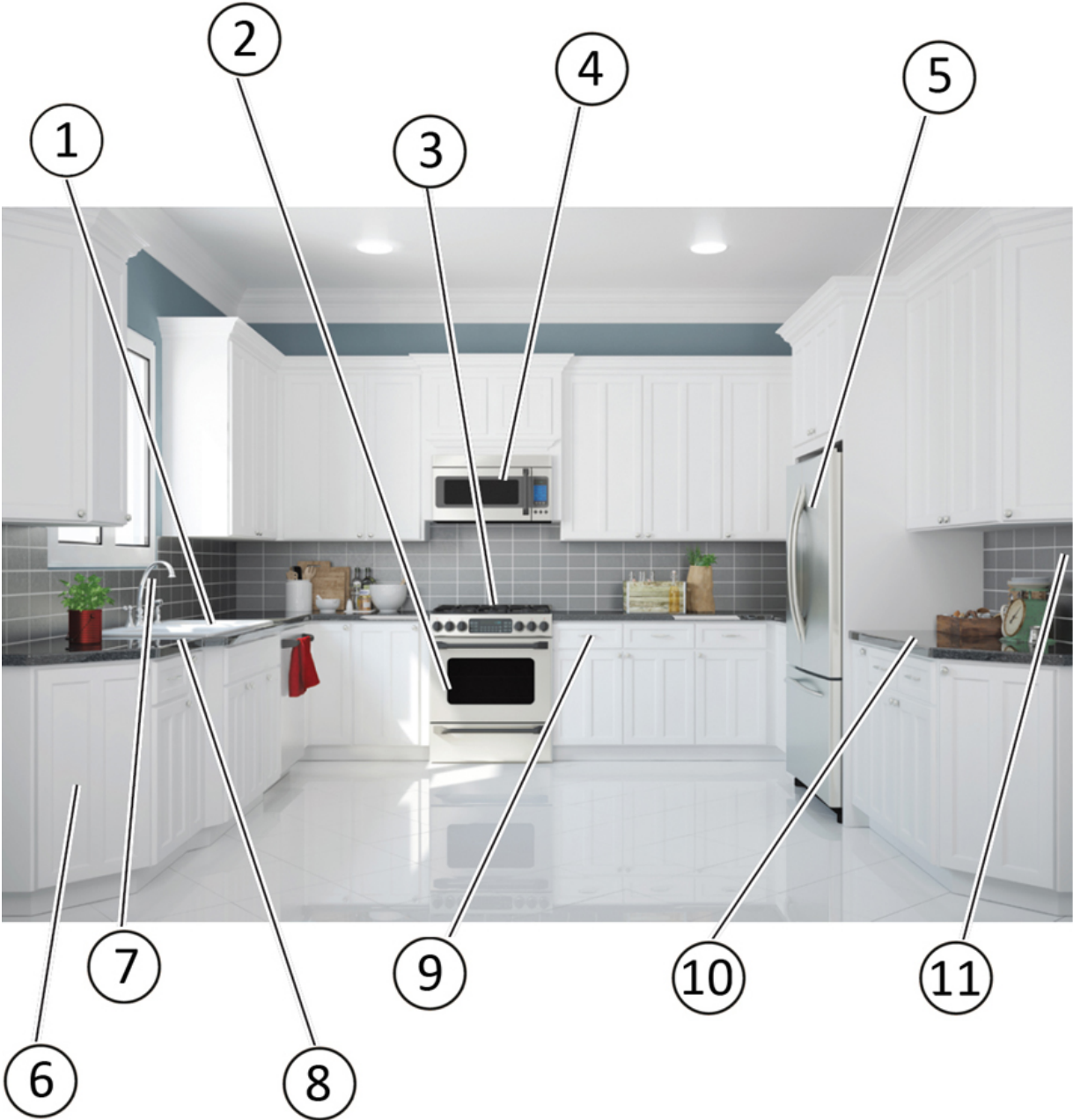
kitchen roll  
**das Küchenpapier**



pedal bin  
**der Treteimer**

# THE KITCHEN

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1. sink  
**die Spüle**

2. oven  
**der Backofen**

3. hob  
**das Kochfeld**

4. microwave  
**der Mikrowellenherd**

5. fridge-freezer  
**die Kühl-Gefrier-Kombination**

6. cupboard  
**der Schrank**

7. tap  
**der Wasserhahn**

8. draining board  
**das Abtropfbrett**

9. drawer  
**die Schublade**

10. worktop  
**die Arbeitsfläche**

11. tiles  
**die Fliesen *fpl***



# THE DINING ROOM | DAS ESSZIMMER

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## VOCABULARY

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dining table  
**der Esstisch**

place mat  
**das Set**

coaster  
**der Untersetzer**

crockery  
**das Geschirr**

cutlery  
**das Besteck**

glassware  
**das Glasgeschirr**

to set the table  
**den Tisch decken**

to dine  
**zu Abend essen**

to clear the table  
**den Tisch abräumen**

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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When dining in a German home, it is good manners always to keep your hands on the table, and to not begin eating until the host is seated and has wished you “Guten Appetit” (“enjoy your meal”).

## **GENERAL**

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gravy boat  
**die Sauciere**



napkin  
**die Serviette**



pepper mill  
**die Pfeffermühle**



salad bowl  
**die Salatschüssel**



salt cellar  
**der Salzstreuer**



serving dish  
**der Servierteller**

## TABLE SETTINGS

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bowl  
**die Schüssel**



champagne flute  
**die Sektflöte**



cup and saucer  
**die Tasse und die Untertasse**



knife and fork  
**das Messer und die Gabel**



plate  
**der Teller**



spoon  
**der Löffel**



teaspoon  
**der Teelöffel**



tumbler  
**das Trinkglas**



wine glass  
**das Weinglas**

# THE BEDROOM | DAS SCHLAFZIMMER

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## VOCABULARY

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single bed  
**das Einzelbett**

double bed  
**das Doppelbett**

master bedroom  
**das Hauptschlafzimmer**

spare room  
**das Gästezimmer**

en-suite bathroom  
**das eigene Bad**

nursery  
**das Kinderzimmer**

bedding  
**die Bettwäsche**

to go to bed  
**ins Bett gehen**

to sleep  
**schlafen**

to wake up  
**aufwachen**

to make the bed



**das Bett machen**

to change the sheets  
**die Laken wechseln**

**GENERAL**

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blanket  
**die Decke**



bunk beds  
**das Etagenbett**



clock radio  
**der Radiowecker**



coat hanger  
**der Kleiderbügel**



dressing table  
**die Frisierkommode**



hairdryer  
**der Föhn**



laundry basket  
**der Wäschekorb**



quilt  
**die Bettdecke**



sheets  
**die Laken** *ntpl*

## BEDROOM

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1. mirror  
**der Spiegel**

2. chest of drawers  
**die Kommode**

3. bed  
**das Bett**

4. wardrobe  
**der Kleiderschrank**

5. duvet  
**die Bettdecke**

6. curtains  
**die Vorhänge** *mpl*

7. armchair  
**der Sessel**

8. bedside lamp  
**die Nachttischlampe**

9. rug  
**der Teppich**

10. pillow  
**das Kopfkissen**

11. mattress  
**die Matratze**

12. bedside table  
**der Nachttisch**

# THE BATHROOM | DAS BAD

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In most German homes, toilets are situated away from the main bathroom. It is also quite common to see washing machines installed in the bathroom, rather than in the kitchen or utility room.

## VOCABULARY

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shower curtain  
**der Duschvorhang**

toiletries  
**die Toilettenartikel** *mpl*

drain  
**der Abfluss**

to shower  
**duschen**

to have a bath  
**baden**

to wash one's hands  
**sich die Hände waschen**

to brush one's teeth  
**sich die Zähne putzen**

to go to the toilet  
**auf die Toilette gehen**

## GENERAL

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bath mat  
**die Badematte**



bath towel  
**das Badetuch**





face cloth  
**der Waschlappen**



hand towel  
**das Handtuch**



shower puff  
**der Duschpuschel**



soap  
**die Seife**



sponge  
**der Schwamm**



toilet brush  
**die Klobürste**



toilet roll  
**die Rolle Toilettenpapier**

# BATHROOM

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1. mirror  
**der Spiegel**

2. sink  
**das Waschbecken**

3. shower  
**die Dusche**

4. toilet  
**die Toilette**

5. towel rail  
**der Handtuchhalter**

6. tap  
**der Wasserhahn**

7. cabinet  
**das Schränkchen**

8. bidet  
**das Bidet**

9. shower screen  
**die Duschtrennung**

10. bath  
**die Badewanne**

# THE GARDEN | DER GARTEN

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## VOCABULARY

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tree  
**der Baum**

soil  
**die Erde**

grass  
**das Gras**

plant  
**die Pflanze**

weed  
**das Unkraut**

flowerbed  
**das Blumenbeet**

compost  
**der Kompost**

allotment  
**der Kleingarten**

gardener  
**der Gärtner / die Gärtnerin**

to weed  
**jäten**

to water

**gießen**

to grow

**anpflanzen**

to plant

**pflanzen**

## **GENERAL**

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decking

**die Terrasse**





garden fork  
**die Forke**



garden hose  
**der Gartenschlauch**



gardening gloves  
**die Gartenhandschuhe** *mpl*



garden shed  
**das Gartenhaus**



greenhouse  
**das Gewächshaus**



hoe  
**die Hacke**



lawnmower  
**der Rasenmäher**



parasol  
**der Sonnenschirm**



plant pot  
**der Blumentopf**



pruners  
**die Gartenschere**



spade  
**der Spaten**



trowel  
**die Kelle**



watering can  
**die Gießkanne**



weedkiller  
**der Unkrautvernichter**



Wellington boots  
**die Gummistiefel** *mpl*

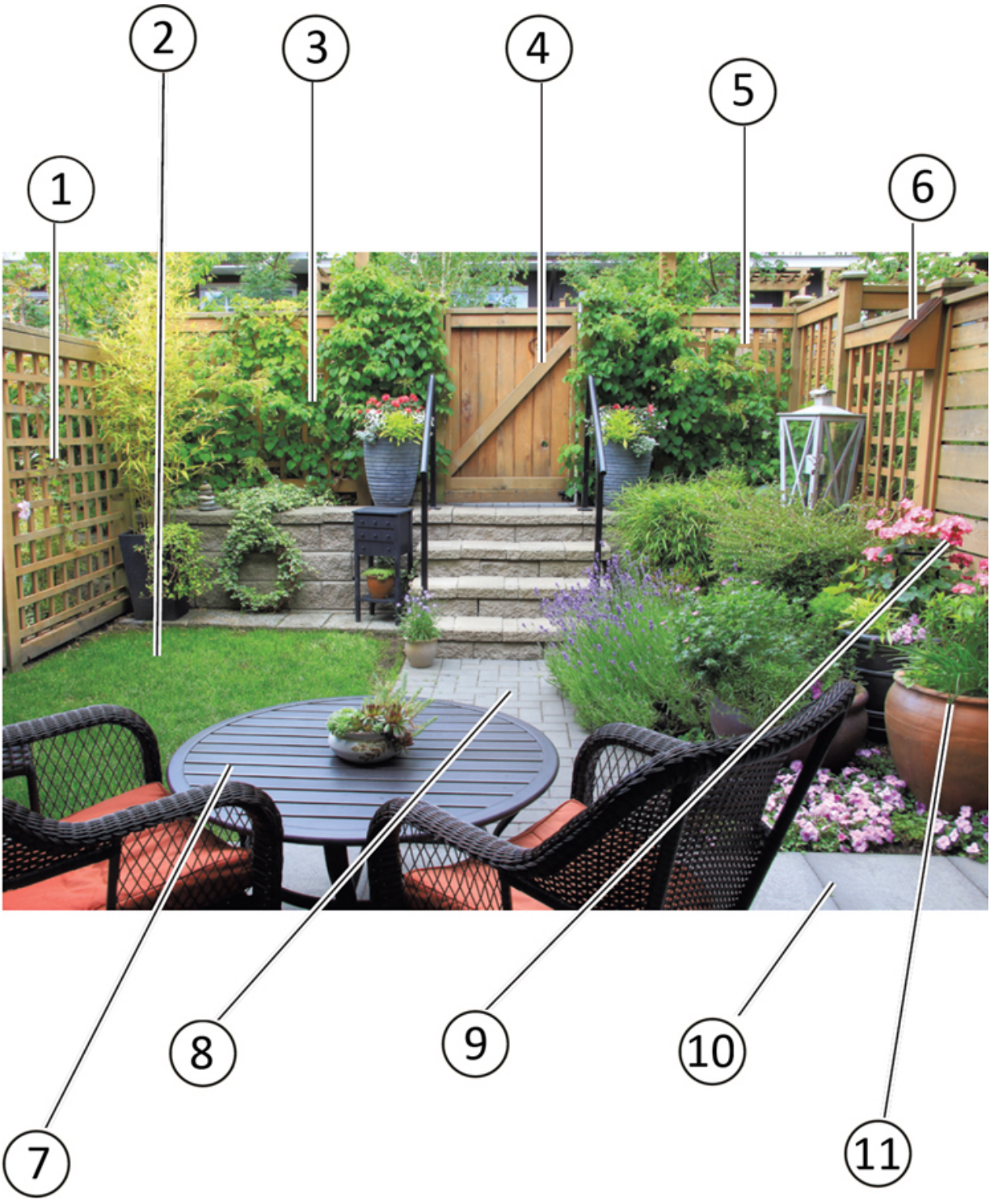


wheelbarrow  
**der Schubkarren**



windowbox  
**der Blumenkasten**

GARDEN



1. trellis



**das Spalier**

2. lawn  
**der Rasen**

3. shrub  
**der Strauch**

4. gate  
**das Tor**

5. fence  
**der Zaun**

6. birdbox  
**das Vogelhäuschen**

7. patio furniture  
**die Gartenmöbel** *npl*

8. path  
**der Pfad**

9. flowers  
**die Blumen** *fpl*

10. patio  
**die Terrasse**

11. flowerpot  
**der Blumentopf**

# HOUSEWORK | DIE HAUSARBEIT

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## VOCABULARY

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utility room

**der Hauswirtschaftsraum**

household appliances

**die Haushaltsgeräte** *npl*

chores

**die Hausarbeit**

basin

**das Becken**

recycling bin

**der Recyclingbehälter**

wastepaper basket

**der Papierkorb**

bleach

**die Bleiche**

disinfectant

**das Desinfektionsmittel**

dishwasher tablet

**das Spülmaschinentab**

laundry detergent

**das Waschmittel**

washing-up liquid

## **das Spülmittel**

to sweep the floor

**kehren**

to do the laundry

**die Wäsche waschen**

to Hoover

**staubsaugen**

to tidy up

**aufräumen**

to clean

**reinigen**



brush

**der Besen**



bucket  
**der Eimer**



cloth  
**der Lappen**



clothes horse  
**der Wäscheständer**



clothes pegs  
**die Wäscheklammern *fp***



dishwasher  
**die Geschirrspülmaschine**



dustbin  
**der Mülleimer**



dustpan  
**die Kehrschaufel**



iron  
**das Bügeleisen**



ironing board  
**das Bügelbrett**

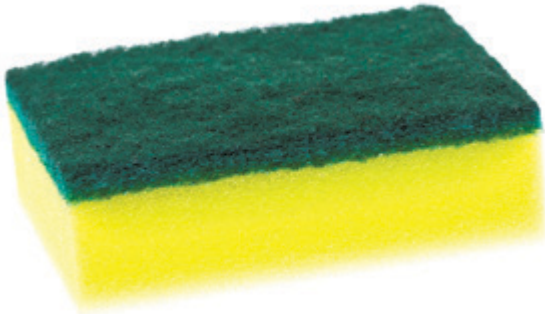


mop  
**der Mop**





rubber gloves  
**die Gummihandschuhe** *mpl*



scourer  
**der Topfreiniger**



tea towel  
**das Geschirrtuch**



tumble drier  
**der Wäschetrockner**



vacuum cleaner  
**der Staubsauger**



washing line  
**die Wäscheleine**



washing machine  
**die Waschmaschine**

## **AT THE SHOPS | IM LADEN**

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Markets full of lush produce and local specialities, the aroma of freshly baked bread from the Bäckerei, and the smell of roast sausage coming from a food stall – just some of the things that might spring to mind when it comes to shopping in Germany. That's not to say that you won't find plenty of large supermarkets, busy shopping centres, and many familiar international chains in urban areas too.



basket  
**der Korb**

1. banana  
**die Banane**

2. bread  
**das Brot**

3. vegetable oil  
**das Pflanzenöl**

## THE BASICS | DAS WESENTLICHE

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Shops in Germany are open from Monday to Saturday and are closed on Sundays and on bank holidays. Opening times are regulated by each “Land” (region) – some of them allow late opening hours, while others don’t. Be aware that a lot of shops close at 7 p.m. A few times a year there is “verkaufsoffener Sonntag” – Sunday opening.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Where is the...?

**Wo ist der / die / das...?**

Where is the nearest...?

**Wo ist der / die / das nächste...?**

Where can I buy...?

**Wo kann ich ... kaufen?**

What time do you open/close?

**Um wieviel Uhr öffnen / schließen Sie?**

I’m just looking, thanks.

**Danke, ich schaue mich nur um.**

Do you sell...?

**Haben Sie...?**

May I have...?

**Kann ich bitte ... haben?**

Can I pay by cash/card?

**Kann ich bar / mit Karte zahlen?**

Can I pay with my mobile app?  
**Kann ich über meine App zahlen?**

How much does this cost?  
**Wie viel kostet das?**

How much is delivery?  
**Wie viel kostet die Lieferung?**

I need...  
**Ich brauche...**

I would like...  
**Ich hätte gerne...**

Can I exchange this?  
**Kann ich das umtauschen?**

Can I get a refund?  
**Können Sie mir das Geld zurückerstatten?**

That's all, thank you.  
**Das wäre alles, danke.**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Distribution of single-use plastic bags is banned in German shops – many stores have introduced reusable bags that can be purchased.

## **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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Can I help you?  
**Kann ich Ihnen helfen?**

Are you being served?  
**Werden Sie schon bedient?**

Would you like anything else?

**Möchten Sie sonst noch etwas?**

It costs...

**Es kostet...**

I'm sorry, we don't have...

**Es tut mir leid, wir haben kein / keine...**

I can order that for you.

**Ich kann es für Sie bestellen.**

How would you like to pay?

**Wie möchten Sie bezahlen?**

Can you enter your PIN?

**Bitte geben Sie ihre PIN ein.**

Would you like a receipt?

**Möchten Sie eine Quittung?**

We don't offer refunds/exchanges.

**Wir erstatten kein Geld zurück / wir tauschen nicht um.**

Have you got a receipt?

**Haben Sie eine Quittung?**

Have a good day!

**Schönen Tag!**

## **VOCABULARY**

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shop

**der Laden**

supermarket

**der Supermarkt**



shopping centre  
**das Einkaufszentrum**

shop assistant  
**der Verkäufer / die Verkäuferin**

customer  
**der Kunde / die Kundin**

market  
**der Markt**

cash  
**das Bargeld**

change  
**das Wechselgeld**

contactless  
**kontaktlos**

gift voucher  
**der Geschenkgutschein**

loyalty card  
**die Paybackkarte**

PIN  
**die PIN**

exchange  
**der Umtausch**

refund  
**die Rückerstattung**

voucher  
**der Gutschein**

groceries  
**die Lebensmittel** *ntpl*

to browse  
**sich umsehen**

to buy  
**kaufen**

to pay  
**zahlen**

to shop (online)  
**(Online) einkaufen**

to go shopping  
**einkaufen gehen**



banknotes  
**die Banknoten** *fpl*



card reader  
**der Kartenleser**



coins  
**die Münzen *fpl***



debit/credit card  
**die Bankkarte / Kreditkarte**



paper bag  
**die Papiertüte**



plastic bag  
**die Plastiktüte**



receipt  
**die Quittung**



reusable shopping bag  
**die wiederverwendbare Einkaufstasche**



till point  
**die Kasse**

# SUPERMARKET | DER SUPERMARKT

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Shopping for groceries over the internet is less prevalent in Germany than in the UK, but it is a growing trend. Online shopping and delivery services are offered by most German supermarkets, but availability will vary from region to region. Bear in mind that it is rare to find 24-hour shops and supermarkets, even in the biggest cities in Germany.

## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Where can I find...?

**Wo kann ich ... finden?**

I'm looking for...

**Ich suche...**

Do you have...?

**Haben Sie...?**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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We have/don't have...

**Wir haben / haben kein / keine...**

It's in aisle 1/2/3.

**Es ist im Gang Nummer 1 / 2 / 3.**

There is a charge for a carrier bag.

**Tüten kosten extra.**

## VOCABULARY

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aisle  
**der Gang**

delicatessen  
**das Feinkostgeschäft**

ready meal  
**das Fertiggericht**

bottle  
**die Flasche**

box  
**die Schachtel**

carton  
**der Pappkarton**

jar  
**das Einmachglas**

multipack  
**der Multipack**

packet  
**das Päckchen**

tin  
**die Dose**

tinned  
**konserviert**

fresh  
**frisch**

frozen  
**tiefgefroren**



dairy  
**Milch-**

low-fat  
**fettarm**

low-calorie  
**kalorienarm**

gluten-free  
**glutenfrei**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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At some German supermarkets, you might find an adjacent “Getränkemarkt” which sells all types of soft and alcoholic beverages.

## **GENERAL**

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basket  
**der Korb**



scales  
**die Waage**



trolley  
**der Einkaufswagen**

## **GROCERIES**

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biscuits  
**die Kekse** *mpl*



couscous  
**der Couscous**



herbs  
**die Kräuter *ntpl***



honey  
**der Honig**



icing sugar  
**der Puderzucker**



instant coffee  
**der lösliche Kaffee**



jam  
**die Marmelade**



ketchup  
**das Ketchup**



marmalade  
**die Orangenmarmelade**



mayonnaise  
**die Mayonnaise**



mustard  
**der Senf**



noodles  
**die Nudeln *fpl***



olive oil  
**das Olivenöl**



pasta  
**die Nudeln *fpl***





pepper  
**der Pfeffer**



rice  
**der Reis**



salt  
**das Salz**



sugar  
**der Zucker**



teabags  
**die Teebeutel *mpl***



vegetable oil  
**das Pflanzenöl**



vinegar  
**der Essig**

## SNACKS

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chocolate  
**die Schokolade**



crisps  
**die Kartoffelchips *mpl***



nuts  
**die Nüsse** *fpl*



olives  
**die Oliven** *fpl*



popcorn  
**das Popcorn**



sweets  
**die Süßigkeiten** *fpl*

## **DRINKS**

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beer  
**das Bier**



fizzy drink  
**die Limo**



fruit juice  
**der Fruchtsaft**



mineral water  
**das Mineralwasser**



spirits  
**die Spirituosen** *pl*



wine  
**der Wein**



# MARKET | DER MARKT

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Most markets will be set up early in the morning and will wind down around 2 p.m., although some bigger markets can stay open all day. There you will find a wealth of fresh produce, regional specialities, and organic foods.

## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Where is the market?

**Wo ist der Markt?**

When is market day?

**Wann ist Markttag?**

Two/Three ..., please.

**Zwei / Drei ..., bitte.**

What do I owe you?

**Wie viel macht das?**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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The market is in the square.

**Der Markt ist auf dem Platz.**

The market is on a Tuesday.

**Der Markt ist dienstags.**

Here you go. Anything else?

**Bitteschön. Sonst noch etwas?**

Here's your change.

Hier ist Ihr Wechselgeld.

## VOCABULARY

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marketplace  
**der Marktplatz**

flea market  
**der Flohmarkt**

indoor market  
**die Markthalle**

farmer's market  
**der Bauernmarkt**

stall  
**der Stand**

trader  
**der Händler / die Händlerin**

produce  
**die Produkte** *n/pl*

local  
**örtlich**

organic  
**bio**

seasonal  
**saisonbedingt**

home-made  
**selbstgemacht**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Haggling would be considered bad form at the stalls of a fruit and vegetable market; it's a different story at the flea market!

# FRUIT AND VEGETABLES | OBST UND GEMÜSE

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Where can I buy...?

**Wo kann ich ... kaufen?**

Do you have...?

**Haben Sie...?**

A kilo/100 grams of...

**Ein Kilo / 100 Gramm...**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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What would you like?

**Was darf es sein?**

Here you go. Anything else?

**Bitteschön. Sonst noch etwas?**

## VOCABULARY

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greengrocer's

**der Gemüseladen**

juice

**der Saft**

leaf

**das Blatt**

peel

**die Schale**

pip  
**der Obstkern**

rind  
**die Schale**

seed  
**der Kern**

segment  
**der Schnitz**

skin  
**die Schale**

stone  
**der Kern**

raw  
**roh**

fresh  
**frisch**

rotten  
**verfault**

ripe  
**reif**

unripe  
**unreif**

seedless  
**kernlos**

to chop

**hacken**

to dice  
**würfeln**

to grate  
**raspeln**

to juice  
**entsaften**

to peel  
**schälen**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Remember that when buying fruit or vegetables from the supermarket, customers are usually required to weigh and sticker their purchases before going to the checkouts.

## **FRUIT**

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apple  
**der Apfel**



apricot  
**die Aprikose**



banana  
**die Banane**



blackberry  
**die Brombeere**



blackcurrant  
**die schwarze Johannisbeere**



blueberry  
**die Blaubeere**





cherry  
**die Kirsche**



gooseberry  
**die Stachelbeere**



grape  
**die Weintraube**



grapefruit  
**die Grapefruit**



kiwi fruit  
**die Kiwi**



lemon  
**die Zitrone**



mango  
**die Mango**



melon  
**die Melone**



orange  
**die Orange**



passion fruit  
**die Passionsfrucht**



peach  
**der Pfirsich**



pear  
**die Birne**



pineapple  
**die Ananas**



plum  
**die Pflaume**



raspberry  
**die Himbeere**



redcurrant  
**die rote Johannisbeere**



strawberry  
**die Erdbeere**





watermelon  
**die Wassermelone**

## **VEGETABLES**

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artichoke  
**die Artischocke**



asparagus  
**der Spargel**



aubergine  
**die Aubergine**



beetroot  
**die Rote Beete**



broccoli  
**der Brokkoli**



Brussels sprout  
**der Rosenkohl**



cabbage  
**der Kohl**



carrot  
**die Karotte**



cauliflower  
der **Blumenkohl**



celery  
der **Sellerie**



chilli  
**der Chili**



courgette  
**die Zucchini**



cucumber  
**die Gurke**



garlic  
**der Knoblauch**



green beans  
**die grünen Bohnen *fpl***



leek  
**der Lauch**



lettuce  
**der Blattsalat**



mushroom  
**der Pilz**





onion  
**die Zwiebel**



peas  
**die Erbsen**



potato  
**die Kartoffel**



red pepper  
**der rote Paprika**



spinach  
**der Spinat**



tomato  
**die Tomate**

# FISHMONGER'S | DAS FISCHGESCHÄFT

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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How fresh is this fish?

**Wie frisch ist dieser Fisch?**

I'd like this filleted, please.

**Ich hat ihn gerne filetiert.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Would you like this filleted?

**Hätten Sie ihn gerne filetiert?**

Shall I remove the bones?

**Soll ich entgräten?**

## VOCABULARY

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fishmonger

**der Fischhändler / die Fischhändlerin**

(fish)bone

**die Gräte**

fillet

**das Filet**

roe

**der Rogen**

scales

**die Schuppen** *fpl*

shellfish

**das Schalentier**

shell

**Schale**

freshwater

**Süßwasser-**

saltwater

**Meereswasser-**

farmed

**gezüchtet**

wild

**wild**

salted

**gesalzen**

smoked

**geräuchert**

deboned

**entgrätet**

filleted

**filetiert**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Fishmongers often serve bread rolls with fish fillings, for a quick bite to eat.

# FISH

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anchovy  
**die Sardelle**



cod  
**der Kabeljau**



eel  
**der Aal**



haddock  
**der Schellfisch**



herring  
**der Hering**



lemon sole  
**die Seezunge**



mackerel  
**die Makrele**



monkfish  
**der Seeteufel**



salmon  
**der Lachs**



sardine  
**die Sardine**



sea bream  
**die Brasse**





skate  
**der Rochen**



trout  
**die Forelle**



tuna  
**der Thunfisch**



zander  
**der Zander**

## **SEAFOOD**

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clam  
**die Venusmuschel**



crab  
**die Krabbe**



crayfish  
**die Languste**



lobster  
**der Hummer**



mussel  
**die Miesmuschel**



octopus  
**der Kraken**



oyster  
**die Auster**



prawn  
**die Garnele**



scallop  
**die Jakobsmuschel**



sea urchin  
**der Seeigel**



shrimp  
**die Garnele**



squid  
**der Tintenfisch**

## **BUTCHER'S | DIE METZGEREI**

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Butchers in Germany are often able to recommend what kind of cuts to buy for the recipes you'd like to try, as well as local specialities they may sell.

### **YOU MIGHT SAY...**

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A slice of ..., please.

**Eine Scheibe ..., bitte.**

Can you slice this for me, please?

**Könnten Sie es bitte in Scheiben schneiden?**

### **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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How much would you like?

**Wie viel wollen Sie?**

How many would you like?

**Wie viele wollen Sie?**

### **VOCABULARY**

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butcher

**der Metzger / die Metzgerin**

meat

**das Fleisch**

red/white meat

**das rote / weiße Fleisch**



cold meats  
**die Wurstwaren** *fpl*

veal  
**das Kalbfleisch**

beef  
**das Rindfleisch**

venison  
**das Rehfleisch**

game  
**das Wild**

duck  
**die Ente**

goose  
**die Gans**

lamb  
**das Lammfleisch**

turkey  
**das Putenfleisch**

pork  
**das Schweinefleisch**

offal  
**die Innereien**

joint  
**das Bratenstück**

frankfurter  
**das Würstchen**

pâté  
**die Pastete**

organic  
**bio**

raw  
**roh**

cooked  
**gebraten**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Germany is well known for its Wurst – sausages and cold meats. They can be made from all kinds of meat and can be cured, boiled, or smoked. Leberwurst, Blutwurst, Landjäger, Teewurst... as long as you aren't vegetarian, there's one for every taste.



bacon  
**der Speck**



beefburger  
**der Hamburger**



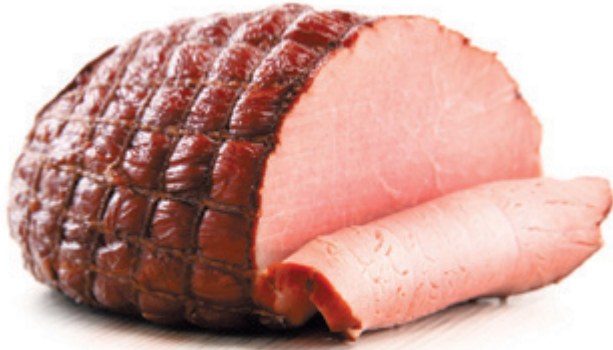
bratwurst  
**die Bratwurst**



chicken  
**das Hähnchen**



chop  
**das Kotelett**



ham  
**der Schinken**



meatloaf  
**der Leberkäse**



mince  
**das Hackfleisch**



ribs  
**die Rippchen *ntpl***



sausage  
**die Wurst**



schnitzel  
**das Schnitzel**



steak  
**das Steak**

# **BAKERY AND PATISSERIE | DIE BÄCKEREI UND DIE KONDITOREI**

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Bread and bread rolls are a German speciality. Bakeries offer up to a dozen different kinds of bread rolls and a whole range of breads, from dark wholemeal to French baguette. A “Bäckerei” sells bread and a “Konditorei” sells cakes and pastries. Often, however, both are combined in the same shop.

## **YOU MIGHT SAY...**

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What time do you open/close?

**Um wieviel Uhr öffnen / schließen Sie?**

Do you sell...?

**Haben Sie...?**

Could I have...?

**Kann ich bitte ... haben?**

How much are...?

**Was kosten...?**

## **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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Are you being served?

**Werden Sie schon bedient?**

Would you like anything else?

**Möchten Sie sonst noch etwas?**

It costs...

**Es kostet...**



I'm sorry, we don't have...

**Es tut mir leid, wir haben kein / keine...**

## **VOCABULARY**

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baker

**der Bäcker / die Bäckerin**

bread

**das Brot**

wholemeal bread

**das Vollkornbrot**

loaf

**der Brotlaib**

baguette

**das Baguette**

croissant

**das Croissant**

slice

**das Stück**

crust

**die Kruste**

dough

**der Teig**

flour

**das Mehl**

gluten-free

**glutenfrei**

to bake  
**backen**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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You can also find bakery products in some service stations and train stations.



apple strudel  
**der Apfelstrudel**



black forest gateau  
**die Schwarzwälder Kirschtorte**



bread rolls  
**die Brötchen** *npl*



cheesecake  
**der Käsekuchen**



Danish pastry  
**das Plundergebäck**



doughnut  
**der Berliner**



fruit tart  
**die Obsttorte**



lebkuchen  
**der Lebkuchen**



marzipan  
**das Marzipan**



pancakes  
**die Pfannkuchen *mpl***



pretzel  
**die Brezel**



stollen  
**der Stollen**

# EGGS AND DAIRY PRODUCTS | EIER UND MILCHPRODUKTE

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## VOCABULARY

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egg white  
**das Eiweiß**

egg yolk  
**das Eigelb**

double cream  
**der Doppelrahm**

sour cream  
**die saure Sahne**

margarine  
**die Margarine**

UHT milk  
**die H-Milch**

pasteurized milk  
**die pasteurisierte Milch**

unpasteurized milk  
**die Rohmilch**

whole milk  
**die Vollmilch**

skimmed milk  
**die Magermilch**



semi-skimmed milk  
**die Halbfettmilch**

caged  
**aus Käfighaltung**

free-range  
**aus Freilandhaltung**

dairy-free  
**milchfrei**



butter  
**die Butter**



cream  
**die Sahne**



egg  
**das Ei**



milk  
**die Milch**



soymilk  
**die Sojamilch**



yoghurt  
**der Joghurt**

# CHEESE | DER KÄSE

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Germans are no strangers to the pleasure of eating a good cheese board. Specialist cheesemongers carry a wide variety of international cheeses, while there is always a good choice at the supermarket cheese counter.

## VOCABULARY

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blue cheese

**der Blauschimmelkäse**

cream cheese

**der Frischkäse**

curd cheese

**der Quark**



Appenzeller

**der Appenzeller**



Camembert  
**der Camembert**



Emmenthal  
**der Emmental**



goat's cheese  
**der Ziegenkäse**



mozzarella  
**der Mozzarella**



parmesan  
**der Parmesan**



Roquefort  
**der Roquefort**





smoked cheese  
**der Räucherkäse**



Tilsit cheese  
**der Tilsiter**

## PHARMACY | DIE APOTHEKE

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In Germany, pharmacies are owned and run by individual pharmacists, which means that you don't see pharmacy chains in German towns and villages. There are also several chains of "Drogeriemarkt" (drugstores) that sell non-pharmaceuticals, cosmetics and hygiene products, organic foodstuffs, and sometimes wine.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I need something for...

**Ich brauche etwas für...**

I'm allergic to...

**Ich bin allergisch gegen...**

I'm collecting a prescription.

**Ich hole ein Rezept ab.**

What would you recommend?

**Was empfehlen Sie mir?**

Is it suitable for young children?

**Ist es für Kleinkinder geeignet?**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Do you have a prescription?

**Haben Sie ein Rezept?**

Do you have any allergies?

**Leiden Sie an Allergien?**

Take two tablets every day.  
**Nehmen Sie zwei Tabletten täglich.**

You should see a doctor.  
**Sie sollten zum Arzt gehen.**

I'd recommend...  
**Ich empfehle Ihnen...**

## **VOCABULARY**

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pharmacist  
**der Apotheker / die Apothekerin**

prescription  
**das Rezept**

cold  
**die Erkältung**

diarrhoea  
**der Durchfall**

hay fever  
**der Heuschnupfen**

headache  
**die Kopfschmerzen *mpl***

sore throat  
**die Halsschmerzen *mpl***

stomachache  
**die Magenschmerzen *mpl***

antihistamine  
**das Antihistaminikum**

antiseptic  
**das Antiseptikum**

decongestant  
**das abschwellende Mittel**

painkiller  
**das Schmerzmittel**

handwash  
**die Hand-Waschlotion**

## **GENERAL**

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antiseptic cream  
**die antiseptische Salbe**



bandage  
**der Verband**



capsule  
**die Kapsel**



condom  
**das Kondom**



cough mixture  
**der Hustensaft**



drops  
**die Tropfen *mpl***



insect repellent  
**das Insektenschutzmittel**



lozenge  
**die Pastille**



medicine  
**die Medizin**



plaster  
**das Pflaster**



suntan lotion  
**die Sonnencreme**



tablet/pill  
**die Tablette**



## HYGIENE

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conditioner  
**die Pflegespülung**



dental floss  
**die Zahnseide**



mouthwash  
**das Mundwasser**



razor  
**der Rasierer**



sanitary towel  
**die Damenbinde**



shampoo  
**das Shampoo**



shaving foam  
**der Rasierschaum**



shower gel  
**das Duschgel**



soap  
**die Seife**



tampon  
**der Tampon**



toothbrush  
**die Zahnbürste**



toothpaste  
**die Zahnpasta**

## BEAUTY

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blusher  
**das Rouge**



comb  
**der Kamm**



eyeliner  
**der Eyeliner**



eyeshadow  
**der Lidschatten**



foundation  
**die Grundlage**



hairbrush  
**die Haarbürste**



hairspray  
**das Haarspray**



lip balm  
**der Lippenbalsam**





lipstick  
**der Lippenstift**



mascara  
**die Mascara**



nail varnish  
**der Nagellack**



powder  
**der Puder**

## BABY GOODS | FÜR DAS BABY

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If you intend to travel to Germany with your baby, it may be possible to hire the equipment you require from specialist companies.

### VOCABULARY

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colic

**die Kolik**

disposable nappy

**die Wegwerfwindel**

bubble bath

**das Schaumbad**

nappy rash

**die Windeldermatitis**

to be teething

**zahnen**

to breast-feed

**stillen**

## CLOTHING

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babygro®/sleepsuit  
der **Babyschlafanzug**



bib  
das **Lätzchen**



bootes  
**die Babyschühchen** *ntpl*



mittens  
**die Fausthandschuhe** *mpl*



snowsuit  
**der Schneeanzug**



vest  
**der Body**

## HEALTH AND HYGIENE

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baby food  
**die Babynahrung**



baby lotion  
**die Baby lotion**



baby's bottle  
**die Babyflasche**



changing bag  
**die Wickeltasche**



cotton bud  
**das Wattestäbchen**



cotton wool  
**die Watte**





formula milk  
**die Formel**



nappy  
**die Windel**



nappy cream  
**die Windelcreme**



rusk  
**der Zwieback**



talcum powder  
**der Körperpuder**



wet wipes  
**die Feuchttücher *ntpl***

## ACCESSORIES

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baby bath  
**die Babywanne**



baby seat  
**die Babyschale**



baby walker  
**das Lauflerngerät**



cot  
**das Kinderbett**



dummy  
**der Schnuller**



highchair  
**der Hochstuhl**



mobile  
**das Mobile**



Moses basket  
**der Moseskorb**



pram  
**der Kinderwagen**



pushchair  
**der Sportwagen**



teething ring  
**der Beißring**



travel cot  
**das Reisebett**

# NEWSAGENT | DER ZEITUNGSLADEN

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As well as newspapers and magazines, German newsagents may also sell tobacco, stamps, and tickets for local public transport.

## VOCABULARY

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broadsheet

**die großformatige Zeitung**

kiosk

**der Kiosk**

stationery

**die Schreibwaren *fpl***

tabloid

**die Boulevardzeitung**

tobacconist

**der Tabakwarenladen**

vendor

**der Verkäufer / die Verkäuferin**

daily

**täglich**

weekly

**wöchentlich**



## GENERAL

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book  
das **Buch**



cigar  
die **Zigarre**



cigarette  
**die Zigarette**



comic book  
**das Comicheft**



confectionery  
**die Süßigkeiten *fpl***



envelope  
**der Briefumschlag**



greetings card  
**die Grußkarte**



magazine  
**die Zeitschrift**



map  
**die Landkarte**



newspaper  
**die Zeitung**



notebook  
**das Notizbuch**



pen  
**der Kugelschreiber**



pencil  
**der Bleistift**



postcard  
**die Postkarte**



puzzle book  
**das Rätselbuch**



scratch card  
**das Rubbellos**



stamp  
**die Briefmarke**





tobacco  
**der Tabak**

## DEPARTMENT STORE | DAS KAUFHAUS

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If you fancy a shopping spree in Berlin, the city has the biggest department store in mainland Europe – only Harrods is bigger! There are, of course, many other, smaller department stores and shopping malls that offer all the international brands as well as German fashion designers.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Where is the menswear department?

**Wo ist die Herrenabteilung?**

Which floor is this?

**In welchem Stockwerk sind wir?**

Can you gift-wrap this, please?

**Können Sie das bitte als Geschenk verpacken?**

What a bargain!

**Das ist aber günstig!**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Menswear is on the second floor.

**Die Herrenabteilung ist im zweiten Stock.**

This is the first floor.

**Hier ist der erste Stock.**

Would you like this gift-wrapped?

**Möchten Sie eine Geschenkverpackung?**

## VOCABULARY

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brand

**die Marke**

counter

**die Theke**

escalator

**die Rolltreppe**

lift

**der Fahrstuhl**

toilets

**die Toilette**

floor

**die Etage**

department

**die Abteilung**

menswear

**die Herrenbekleidung**

womenswear

**die Damenbekleidung**

sportswear

**die Sportkleidung**

swimwear

**die Badebekleidung**

sale

**der Ausverkauf**

to be on sale

**verkauft werden**

to be in the sale  
**im (Sonder)angebot sein**



accessories  
**die Modeaccessoires *ntpl***



cosmetics  
**die Kosmetika**



fashion  
**die Mode**



food and drink  
**die Lebensmittel** *ntpl*



footwear  
**die Schuhe** *mpl*



furniture  
**die Möbel** *ntpl*



kitchenware  
**die Küchengeräte** *ntpl*



leather goods  
**die Lederwaren** *fpl*



lighting  
**die Beleuchtung**



lingerie  
**die Damenwäsche**





soft furnishings  
**die Wohntextilien** *fpl*



toys  
**das Spielzeug**

# CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR | KLEIDUNG UND SCHUHE

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The Kurfürstendamm, known as Ku'damm by the locals, is Berlin's favourite shopping street, with famous designer boutiques and great cafés. Bikini Berlin is Germany's first "concept mall" where you can find all sorts of interesting boutiques, restaurants, and pop-ups.

## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I'm just looking, thanks.

**Danke, ich schaue mich nur um.**

I'd like to try this on, please.

**Ich würde das gerne anprobieren.**

Where are the fitting rooms?

**Wo sind die Umkleidekabinen?**

I'm a size...

**Ich habe Größe...**

Have you got a bigger/smaller size?

**Haben Sie es größer / kleiner?**

This is too small/big.

**Das ist zu klein / groß.**

This is torn.

**Das ist zerrissen.**

It's not my style.

**Es ist nicht mein Stil.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Can I help you?

**Kann ich Ihnen helfen?**

Let me know if I can help.

**Sagen Sie mir Bescheid, falls Sie Hilfe brauchen.**

The fitting rooms are over there.

**Die Umkleidekabinen sind dort drüben.**

What size are you?

**Welche Größe haben Sie?**

I'm sorry, it's out of stock.

**Es tut mir leid, es ist ausverkauft.**

I'm sorry, we don't have that size/ colour.

**Es tut mir leid, wir haben diese Größe / Farbe nicht mehr.**

That suits you.

**Das steht Ihnen gut.**

## VOCABULARY

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fitting room

**die Umkleidekabine**

clothes/clothing

**die Kleidung**

shoes/footwear

**die Schuhe *mpl***

underwear

**die Unterwäsche**

umbrella  
**der (Regen)schirm**

jewellery  
**der Schmuck**

scent  
**das Parfüm**

casual  
**lässig**

smart  
**schick**

wool  
**die Wolle**

cotton  
**die Baumwolle**

leather  
**das Leder**

silk  
**die Seide**

size  
**die Größe**

petite  
**kleine Größe**

plus-size  
**Übergrößen-**

to try on  
**anprobieren**

to fit  
**passen**

## **CLOTHING**

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bikini  
**der Bikini**



blouse  
**die Bluse**



boxer shorts  
**die Boxershorts** *pl*



bra  
**der Büstenhalter**



cardigan  
**die Strickjacke**



coat  
**der Mantel**



dress  
**das Kleid**



dressing gown  
**der Bademantel**



dungarees  
**die Latzhose**





jacket  
**die Jacke**



jeans  
**die Jeans pl**



jogging bottoms  
**die Jogginghose**



jumper  
**der Pullover**



leggings  
**die Leggings** *pl*



pants  
**die Unterhose**



pyjamas  
**der Schlafanzug**



shirt  
**das Hemd**



shorts  
**die Shorts** *pl*



skirt  
**der Rock**



socks  
**die Socken** *fpl*



suit  
**das Kostüm**



sweatshirt  
**das Sweatshirt**



swimsuit  
**der Badeanzug**



three-piece suit  
**der Dreiteiler**



tie  
**die Krawatte**





tights  
**die Strumpfhose**



trousers  
**die Hose**



T-shirt  
**das T-Shirt**



waistcoat  
**die Weste**



waterproof jacket  
**die Regenjacke**

## ACCESSORIES

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baseball cap  
**die Baseballmütze**



belt  
**der Gürtel**



bracelet  
**das Armband**



braces  
**die Hosenträger *mpl***



earrings  
**die Ohrringe *mpl***



gloves  
**die Handschuhe** *mpl*



handbag  
**die Handtasche**



necklace  
**die Halskette**



purse  
**der Geldbeutel**



scarf  
**der Schal**



wallet  
**die Brieftasche**



woolly hat  
**die Wollmütze**

## FOOTWEAR

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boots  
**die Stiefel** *mpl*



court shoes  
**die Pumps** *mpl*





high heels  
**die Stöckelschuhe** *mpl*



lace-up shoes  
**die Schnürschuhe** *mpl*



plimsolls  
**die Strandschuhe** *mpl*



sandals  
**die Sandalen** *fpl*



slippers  
**die Pantoffeln** *fpl*



trainers  
**die Sportschuhe** *mpl*



Wellington boots  
**die Gummistiefel** *mpl*

# DIY STORE | DER BAUMARKT

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DIY is popular in Germany. From local retail and trade merchants to numerous larger chain stores, there are many options available for those who are looking for some DIY essentials.

## VOCABULARY

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electricity  
**die Elektrizität**

joinery  
**die Tischlerei**

home improvements  
**das Heimwerken, das DIY**

painting  
**das Streichen**

decorating  
**das Tapezieren**

plumbing  
**die Klempnerarbeiten *fp/***

tool  
**das Werkzeug**

power tool  
**das Elektrowerkzeug**

toolbox  
**der Werkzeugkasten**

to do DIY  
**heimwerken**



chisel  
**der Meißel**



electric drill  
**die Bohrmaschine**



hammer  
**der Hammer**



nails  
**die Nägel** *mpl*



nuts and bolts  
**die Muttern und Bolzen** *pl*



paint  
**die Farbe**



paintbrush  
**der Pinsel**





paint roller  
**der Farbroller**



pliers  
**die Zange**



saw  
**die Säge**



screwdriver  
**der Schraubenzieher**



screws  
**die Schrauben *fpl***



spanner  
**der Schraubenschlüssel**



spirit level  
**die Wasserwaage**



stepladder  
**die Trittleiter**



tiles  
**die Fliesen *fpl***



wallpaper  
**die Tapete**



wrench  
**der Schraubenschlüssel**

## OTHER SHOPS | ANDERE LÄDEN

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antique shop  
**die Antiquitätenhandlung**



barber's  
**der Herrenfriseur**



beauty salon  
der Kosmetiksalon



bookmaker's  
der Buchmacher



bookshop  
**der Buchladen**



boutique  
**die Boutique**



car showroom  
**das Autohaus**



electrical retailer  
**der Elektrofachmarkt**





estate agency  
**das Immobilienbüro**



florist's  
**der Blumenladen**



furniture store  
**der Möbelmarkt**



garden centre  
**das Gartencenter**



hairdresser's  
**der Frisör**



health food shop  
**das Reformhaus**



jeweller's  
**das Juweliergeschäft**



music shop  
**der Musikladen**



off-licence  
**die Wein- und Spirituosenhandlung**



optician's  
**der Optiker**



pet shop  
**die Tierhandlung**



phone shop  
**der Handy-Shop**



shoe shop  
**das Schuhgeschäft**



shopping mall  
**das Einkaufszentrum**



toyshop  
**das Spielwarengeschäft**



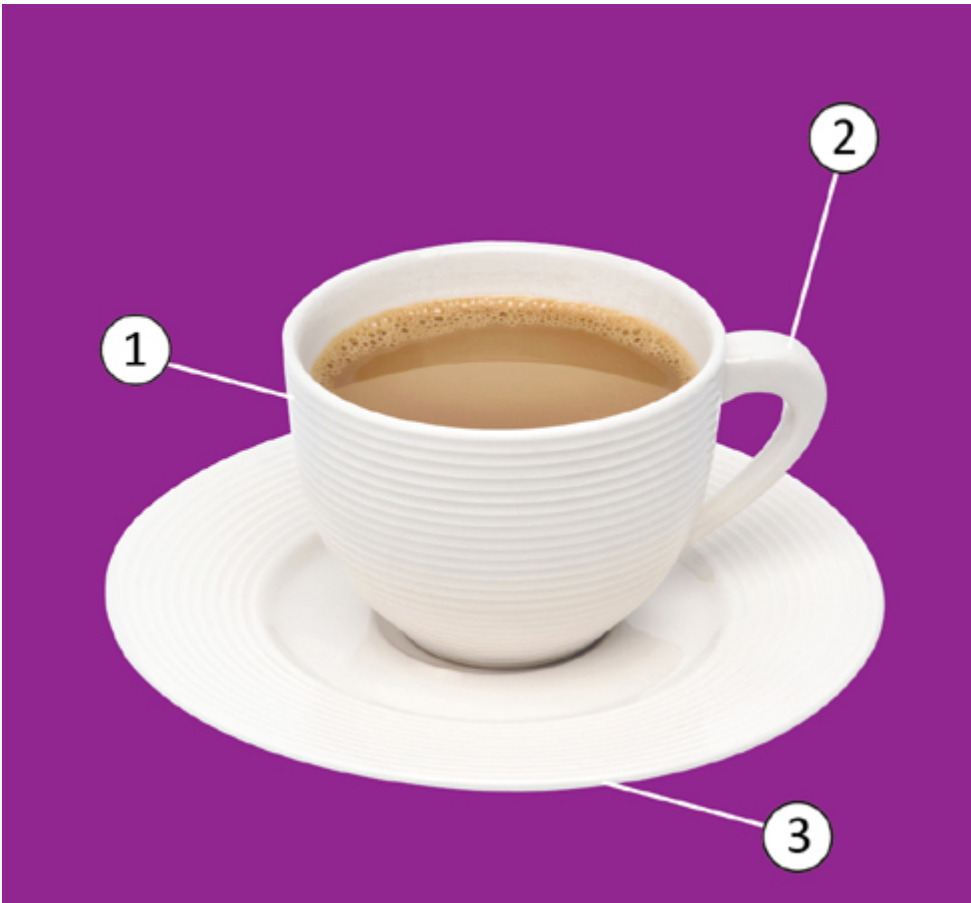
travel agency  
**das Reisebüro**



## **DAY-TO-DAY | DER ALLTAG**

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Business meetings, meals with friends, or courses of study... whatever your day-to-day schedule looks like during your time in Germany, you will require some basic vocabulary when going on errands, planning outings, and going about your everyday business.



coffee with milk  
**der Milchkaffee**

1. cup  
**die Tasse**

2. handle  
**der Henkel**

3. saucer  
**die Untertasse**

## THE BASICS | DAS WESENTLICHE

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Here are a few basic words and phrases for describing your day-to-day routine (“der Alltag”), and making plans with others.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Where are you going?

**Wo gehen Sie hin?**

What time do you finish?

**Wann hören Sie auf?**

What are you doing today/tonight?

**Was machen Sie heute / heute Abend?**

Are you free on Friday?

**Sind Sie am Freitag frei?**

Would you like to meet up?

**Sollen wir uns treffen?**

Where/When would you like to meet?

**Wo / Um wie viel Uhr sollen wir uns treffen?**

I can't meet up then, sorry.

**Es tut mir leid, ich kann in dem Moment nicht.**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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I'm at work/uni.

**Ich bin bei der Arbeit / auf der Uni.**

I have a day off.

**Ich habe einen Tag Urlaub.**

I've got an appointment.

**Ich bin verabredet.**

I'm going to...

**Ich gehe nach / zu...**

I'll be back by...

**Ich komme gegen ... Uhr zurück.**

I'll meet you at 6 p.m.

**Ich komme um 18 Uhr nach.**

I'll meet you at the restaurant.

**Ich treffe Sie im Restaurant.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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to wake up

**aufwachen**

to get dressed

**sich anziehen**

to arrive

**ankommen**

to leave

**weggehen**

to study

**studieren**

to work

**arbeiten**

to meet friends  
**sich mit Freunden treffen**

to go home  
**nach Hause gehen**

to go to bed  
**ins Bett gehen**

# BREAKFAST | DAS FRÜHSTÜCK

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In Germany, breakfast is an important meal. It often includes a choice of cold meats, cheese, and eggs, as well as quark (a type of cottage cheese), jam, and honey.

## VOCABULARY

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breakfast bar  
**die Frühstückstheke**

bread and butter  
**das Butterbrot**

bread and jam  
**das Marmeladenbrot**

quark  
**der Quark**

fried eggs  
**die Spiegeleier** *ntpl*

poached eggs  
**die verlorene Eier** *ntpl*

to spread  
**aufstreichen**

to have breakfast  
**frühstücken**

to skip breakfast  
**das Frühstück überspringen**



boiled eggs  
**die gekochten Eier** *ntpl*



bread rolls  
**die Brötchen** *ntpl*



cereal  
**die Frühstückscerealien** *pl*



coffee  
**der Kaffee**





coffee with milk  
**der Milchkaffee**



cold meats and cheese  
**die Wurst und der Käse**



croissant  
**das Croissant**



honey  
**der Honig**



hot chocolate  
**der Kakao**



jam  
**die Marmelade**



orange juice  
**der Orangensaft**



muesli  
**das Müsli**



rye bread  
**das Roggenbrot**



scrambled eggs  
**die Rühreier *ntpl***



tea  
**der Tee**

## MAIN MEALS | DIE HAUPTMAHLZEITEN

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Traditionally, lunch was the main meal of the day in Germany. These days some people still have a big lunch during their lunch break and a lighter meal in the evenings, while others prefer to have their main meal later on in the day.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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What's for dinner?

**Was gibt es zum Abendessen?**

What time is lunch?

**Wann essen wir zu Mittag?**

Can I try it?

**Darf ich probieren?**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Lunch is at midday.

**Das Mittagessen ist um zwölf.**

Dinner's ready!

**Zu Tisch!**

Would you like...?

**Möchten Sie...?**

### VOCABULARY

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food

**das Essen**

drink

**das Getränk**

lunch

**das Mittagessen**

dinner

**das Abendessen**

courses

**die Gänge *mpl***

recipe

**das Rezept**

aperitif

**der Aperitif**

after-dinner drink

**der Digestif**

to eat/drink

**essen / trinken**

to have lunch

**zu Mittag essen**

to have dinner

**speisen**

to eat out

**zum Essen ausgehen**



## STARTERS

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asparagus wrapped in ham  
**der Spargel mit Schinken**



cold meats  
**der Aufschnitt**



green salad  
**der grüne Salat**



mixed salad  
**der gemischte Salat**



omelette  
**das Omelett**



onion tart  
**der Zwiebelkuchen**



pâté  
**die Pastete**



smoked salmon  
**der Räucherlachs**



soup  
**die Suppe**

## SIDES

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chips  
**die Pommes** *npl*



cucumber salad  
**der Gurkensalat**



fried potatoes  
**die Bratkartoffeln** *ntpl*



German dumplings  
**die Klöße** *mpl*



gratin  
**der Auflauf**



mash  
**der Kartoffelbrei**



noodles  
**die Nudeln** *fpl*



pasta  
**die Nudeln** *fpl*





potatoes  
**die Kartoffeln** *fpl*



potato fritters  
**die Kartoffelpuffer** *mpl*



rice  
**der Reis**



vegetables  
**das Gemüse**

## CLASSIC GERMAN DISHES

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beef olives  
**die Rinderrouladen** *fpl*



chicken fricassee  
**das Hühnerfricassee**



fried and marinated herring  
**der Brathering**



gammon with sauerkraut  
**das Kassler mit Sauerkraut**



goulash soup  
**die Gulaschsuppe**



meatballs  
**die Frikadellen *fpl***



pancake soup  
**die Frittattensuppe**



pea soup  
**die Erbsensuppe**



pork knuckle with sauerkraut  
**das Eisbein auf Sauerkraut**



pot roast  
**der Sauerbraten**

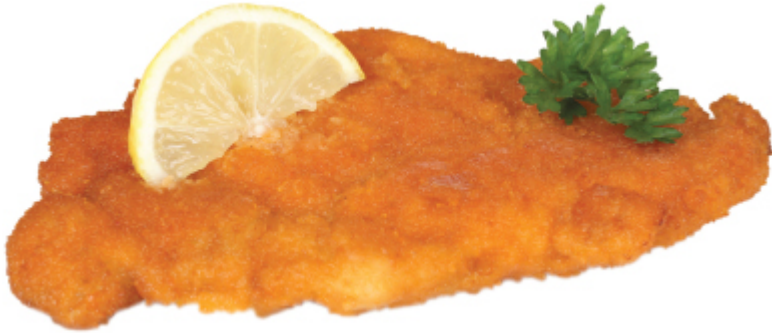


ravioli  
**die Maultaschen** *fpl*



stuffed cabbage leaves  
**die Kohlrouladen** *fpl*





schnitzel  
**das Schnitzel**

## **DESSERTS**

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apple strudel  
**der Apfelstrudel**



apple tart  
der **Apfelkuchen**



blancmange  
der **Pudding**



chocolate cake  
der **Schokoladenkuchen**



fruit tart  
**die Obsttorte**



ice cream  
**das Eis**



red fruit compote  
**die rote Grütze**



shredded pancake  
**der Kaiserschmarrn**



syllabub  
**die Weinschaumcreme**

# EATING OUT | AUSWÄRTS ESSEN

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I'd like to make a reservation.  
**Ich würde gerne reservieren.**

A table for four, please.  
**Einen Tisch für vier Personen, bitte.**

What would you recommend?  
**Was empfehlen Sie mir?**

What are the specials today?  
**Was ist das Tagesgericht?**

May I have ..., please?  
**Kann ich bitte ... haben?**

Are there vegetarian/vegan options?  
**Haben Sie ein Menü für Vegetarier / Veganer?**

I'm allergic to...  
**Ich bin allergisch gegen...**

Excuse me, this is cold.  
**Entschuldigen Sie, das ist kalt.**

This is not what I ordered.  
**Das habe ich nicht bestellt.**

May we have the bill, please?  
**Die Rechnung, bitte.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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At what time?

**Um wie viel Uhr?**

How many people?

**Für wie viele Personen?**

Sorry, we're fully booked.

**Es tut mir leid, wir sind voll.**

Would you like anything to drink?

**Möchten Sie etwas zu trinken?**

Are you ready to order?

**Möchten Sie bestellen?**

I'd recommend...

**Ich empfehle Ihnen...**

The specials today are...

**Wir haben heute folgende Tagesgerichte...**

I will let the chef know.

**Ich gebe es an den Koch weiter.**

Enjoy your meal!

**Guten Appetit!**

## VOCABULARY

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set menu

**die Tageskarte**

daily specials

**die Tagesgerichte *ntpl***

service charge  
**die Bedienung**

tip  
**das Trinkgeld**

wine waiter  
**der Weinkellner / die Weinkellnerin**

barman/barmaid  
**der Barkeeper / die Bardame**

vegetarian  
**vegetarisch**

vegan  
**veganisch**

gluten-free  
**glutenfrei**

dairy-free  
**milchfrei**

to reserve a table  
**einen Tisch reservieren**

to order  
**bestellen**

to ask for the bill  
**die Rechnung verlangen**

to be served  
**bedient werden**

**YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Some restaurants put free bread on the table, sometimes with butter. But beware if the waiter asks you if you want bread – you might find it on the bill later!



bar  
**die Bar**



bill  
**die Rechnung**



bread basket  
**der Brotkorb**



chair  
**der Stuhl**



champagne flute  
**das Sektglas**



cheese knife  
**das Käsemesser**



fish knife  
**das Fischmesser**



jug of water  
**der Krug Wasser**



menu  
**die Speisekarte**



napkin  
**die Serviette**



salt and pepper  
**das Salz und der Pfeffer**



steak knife  
**das Steakmesser**



table  
**der Tisch**



tablecloth  
**die Tischdecke**



toothpicks  
**die Zahnstocher *mpl***



vinegar and oil  
**der Essig und das Öl**



waiter/waitress  
**der Kellner / die Kellnerin**





wine glass  
**das Weinglas**

## **FAST FOOD | DAS FASTFOOD**

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Fast food may not be the first thing you think of when it comes to German dining, but there are plenty of options for eating on the go.

### **YOU MIGHT SAY...**

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I'd like to order, please.

**Ich würde gerne bestellen.**

Do you deliver?

**Liefern Sie?**

I'm sitting in/taking away.

**Zum hier Essen / Zum Mitnehmen.**

That's everything, thanks.

**Danke, das wäre alles.**

### **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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Can I help you?

**Kann ich Ihnen helfen?**

Sit-in or takeaway?

**Zum hier Essen oder zum Mitnehmen?**

We do/don't do delivery.

**Wir liefern / Wir liefern nicht.**

Would you like anything else?

**Möchten Sie sonst noch etwas?**

## VOCABULARY

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fast-food chain  
**die Fastfood-Kette**

food stall  
**der Schnellimbiss**

street food  
**das Streetfood**

vendor  
**der Verkäufer / die Verkäuferin**

drive-thru  
**das Drive-In**

an order to go/a takeaway  
**zum Mitnehmen**

delivery charge  
**die Lieferkosten *pl***

delivery man/woman  
**der Lieferant / die Lieferantin**

to phone in an order  
**eine Bestellung telefonisch aufgeben**

to place an order  
**bestellen**

to collect an order  
**die Bestellung abholen**

**YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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There are many food stalls to choose from if you fancy a quick bite to eat: Brezel, Bratwurst, or Currywurst stalls are common features on German street corners.



baked potato  
**die gefüllte Kartoffel**



bratwurst  
**die Bratwurst**



burger  
**der Hamburger**



fries  
**die Pommes frites** *ntpl*



kebab  
**der Kebab**



omelette  
**das Omelett**



pizza  
**die Pizza**



pretzel  
**die Brezel**



sandwich  
**das Sandwich**



sausage with curry sauce  
**die Currywurst**



sushi  
**die Sushis** *ntpl*





wrap  
**der Wrap**

# COMMUNICATION AND IT | DIE KOMMUNIKATION UND DIE INFORMATIONSTECHNOLOGIE

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Technology plays a huge role in people's everyday lives. A mere click, tap, or swipe helps us to stay in touch with friends and family, keep up to date with what's going on, and find the information we need.

## YOU MIGHT SAY/HEAR...

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I'll give you a call later.  
**Ich rufe Sie später an.**

I'll text/email you.  
**Ich schicke Ihnen eine E-Mail / eine SMS.**

This is a bad line.  
**Der Empfang ist sehr schlecht.**

I don't have any signal.  
**Ich habe keinen Empfang.**

What's your number/email address?  
**Was ist ihre Telefonnummer / E-Mail-Adresse?**

The website address is...  
**Die Webadresse ist...**

What's the WiFi password?  
**Was ist das WLAN-Passwort?**

It's all one word.  
**Das wird zusammengeschrieben.**

It's upper/lower case.

**Das ist großgeschrieben / kleingeschrieben.**

## VOCABULARY

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post

**der Beitrag**

social media

**die sozialen Netzwerke** *ntpl*

email

**die E-Mail**

email address

**die E-Mail-Adresse**

link

**der Link**

internet

**das Internet**

WiFi

**das WLAN**

website

**die Website**

icon

**das Icon**

mouse

**die Maus**

mouse mat

**das Mauspad**

keyboard  
**die Tastatur**

app  
**die App**

data  
**die Daten** *ntpl*

mobile phone  
**das Handy**

landline  
**das Festnetz**

phone call  
**der Anruf**

text message  
**die SMS**

phone signal  
**das Handy-Signal**

voice mail  
**die Voicemail**

touchscreen  
**der Touchscreen**

monitor  
**der Bildschirm**

button  
**die Taste**

battery  
**der Akku**

cable  
**das Kabel**

to make a phone call  
**anrufen**

to send a text/an email  
**eine SMS / E-Mail schicken**

to post (online)  
**posten**

to download/upload  
**herunterladen / hochladen**

to click on  
**anklicken**

to charge your phone  
**das Handy aufladen**

to switch on/off  
**einschalten / ausschalten**



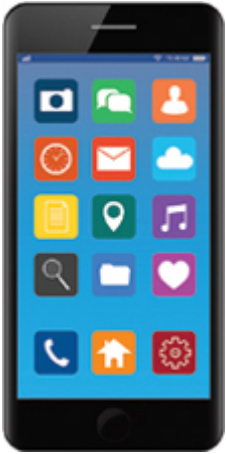
charger  
**das Ladegerät**



computer  
**der Computer**



SIM card  
**die SIM-Karte**



smartphone  
das **Smartphone**



tablet  
das **Tablet**



wireless router  
**der WLAN-Router**



## EDUCATION | DIE BILDUNG

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Compulsory education in Germany begins at the age of six or seven. The minimum school-leaving age is determined by each "Land".

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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What are you studying?

**Was studierst du?**

What year are you in?

**In welchem Jahr bist du?**

What's your favourite subject?

**Was ist dein Lieblingsfach?**

Do you have any homework?

**Hast du Hausaufgaben?**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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I'm studying...

**Ich studiere...**

I'm in Year 6/my final year.

**Ich bin im sechsten / letzten Jahr.**

I enjoy...

**Ich mag...**

I have an assignment.

**Ich muss eine Arbeit schreiben.**

## VOCABULARY

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nursery school  
**die Vorschule**

primary school  
**die Grundschule**

secondary school  
**die Realschule**

college  
**die Hochschule**

university  
**die Universität**

headteacher  
**der Schulleiter / die Schulleiterin**

teacher  
**der Lehrer / die Lehrerin**

pupil  
**der Schüler / die Schülerin**

janitor  
**der Hausmeister / die Hausmeisterin**

classroom  
**das Klassenzimmer**

timetable  
**der Stundenplan**

lesson  
**die Unterrichtsstunde**

lecture

der Vortrag

tutorial

**das Tutorial**

homework

**die Hausaufgaben** *fpl*

assignment

**die Aufgabe**

exam

**die Prüfung**

degree

**der Abschluss**

undergraduate

**der Student / die Studentin**

postgraduate

**der Graduierte / die Graduierte**

canteen

**die Kantine**

assembly hall

**die Aula**

playing field

**das Spielfeld**

playground

**der Schulhof**

halls of residence

**die Studentenwohnheime** *ntpl*

student union

## **das Studentenwerk**

student card

**der Studentenausweis**

to learn

**lernen**

to read

**lesen**

to write

**schreiben**

to teach

**lehren**

to revise

**überarbeiten**

to sit an exam

**eine Prüfung ablegen**

to graduate

**den Abschluss machen**

to study

**studieren**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Most German schools do not have a school uniform policy.

# SCHOOL

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colouring pencils  
**die Farbstifte** *mpl*



eraser  
**der Radierer**



exercise book  
**das Heft**



paper  
**das Papier**



pen  
**der Kugelschreiber**



pencil  
**der Bleistift**



pencil case  
**die Federmappe**



ruler  
**das Lineal**



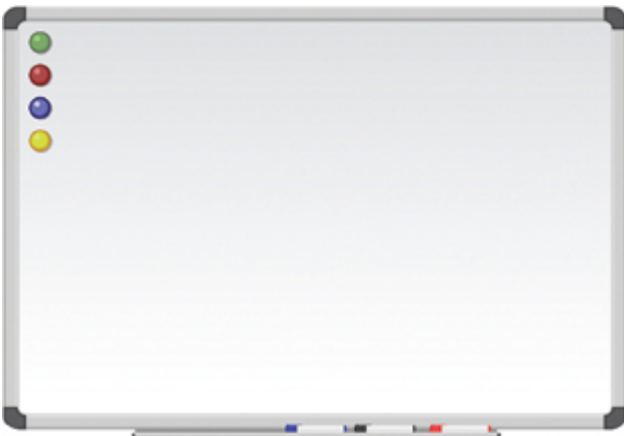
schoolbag  
**die Schultasche**



sharpener  
**der Anspitzer**



textbook  
**das Lehrbuch**



whiteboard  
**die Weißwandtafel**



## HIGHER EDUCATION

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cafeteria  
**die Cafeteria**



campus  
**der Campus**



lecture hall  
**der Hörsaal**



lecturer  
**der Dozent / die Dozentin**



library  
**die Bibliothek**



student  
**der Student / die Studentin**

## THE OFFICE | IM BÜRO

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Office hours tend to be from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., with a lunch break of at least half an hour. At lunchtime, if you want to eat at your office desk rather than going out for lunch, you must get permission from your employer.

### YOU MIGHT SAY/HEAR...

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Can we arrange a meeting?

**Können wir einen Termin ausmachen?**

May I speak to...?

**Könnte ich bitte mit ... sprechen?**

I have a meeting with...

**Ich habe einen Termin mit...**

I'll email the files to you.

**Ich schicke Ihnen die Dateien per E-Mail.**

Mr/Ms ... is on the phone.

**Herr / Frau ... ist am Telefon.**

Here's my business card.

**Hier ist meine Geschäftskarte.**

Who's calling?

**Wer spricht, bitte?**

Can I call you back?

**Kann ich Sie zurückrufen?**

## VOCABULARY

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manager

**der Chef / die Chefin**

staff

**die Mitarbeiter** *mpl*

client

**der Kunde / die Kundin**

supplier

**der Lieferant / die Lieferantin**

colleague

**der Kollege / die Kollegin**

human resources

**die Personalabteilung**

accounts

**die Buchhaltung**

figures

**die Zahlen** *fpl*

spreadsheet

**die Tabellenkalkulation**

presentation

**der Vortrag**

report

**der Bericht**

meeting

**die Sitzung**

conference call

**das Konferenzgespräch**

video conference

**die Videokonferenz**

ink cartridge

**die Tintenpatrone**

inbox

**der Posteingang**

file

**die Datei**

attachment

**der Anhang**

upgrade

**das Upgrade**

username

**der Benutzername**

password

**das Passwort**

to type

**Maschine schreiben**

to log on/off

**einloggen / ausloggen**

to give a presentation

**einen Vortrag halten**

to hold a meeting

**eine Sitzung einberufen**



calculator  
**der Taschenrechner**



desk  
**der Schreibtisch**



desk lamp  
**die Schreibtischlampe**



filing cabinet  
**der Aktenschrank**

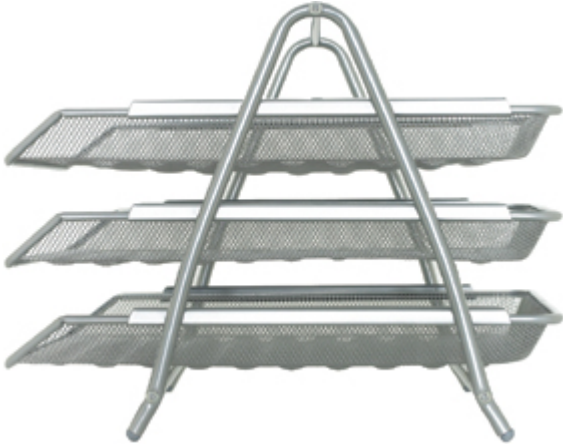




folder  
**die Mappe**



hole punch  
**der Locher**



in/out tray  
**die Ablage für Eingänge / Ausgänge**



laptop  
**der Laptop**



notepad  
**der Notizblock**



paper clip  
**die Heftklammer**



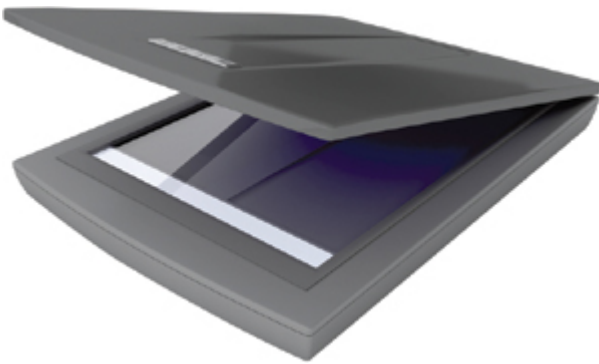
photocopier  
**das Fotokopiergerät**



printer  
**der Drucker**



ring binder  
**das Ringbuch**



scanner  
**der Scanner**



scissors  
**die Schere**



stapler  
**der Hefter**



sticky notes  
**die Post-it-Notizen *fpl***



sticky tape  
**das Klebeband**



swivel chair  
**der Drehstuhl**



telephone  
**das Telefon**



USB stick  
**der USB-Stick**



## THE BANK | AUF DER BANK

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German banks have variable business hours from Monday to Friday. They are usually closed on Saturdays, and sometimes even on Friday afternoons.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I'd like to...

**Ich würde gerne...**

... open an account.

... **ein Konto eröffnen.**

... apply for a loan/mortgage.

... **ein Darlehen / einen Immobilienkredit beantragen.**

... register for online banking.

... **für das Online-Banking anmelden.**

Is there a fee for this service?

**Gibt es Gebühren?**

I need to cancel my debit/ credit card.

**Ich muss meine Bankkarte / Kreditkarte kündigen.**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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May I see your ID, please?

**Kann ich bitte Ihren Ausweis sehen?**

How much would you like to withdraw/deposit?

**Wie viel wollen Sie abheben / einzahlen?**

Could you enter your PIN, please?

**Geben Sie bitte ihre PIN ein.**

You must fill out an application form.

**Sie müssen ein Formular ausfüllen.**

You must make an appointment.

**Sie müssen einen Termin ausmachen.**

There is a fee for this service.

**Es gibt Gebühren.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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branch

**die Zweigstelle**

cashier

**der Kassierer / die Kassierin**

online banking

**das Online-Banking**

bank account

**das Bankkonto**

current account

**das Girokonto**

savings account

**das Sparkonto**

account number

**die Kontonummer**

bank statement

**der Kontoauszug**

bank balance  
**der Kontostand**

overdraft  
**die Kontoüberziehung**

bank transfer  
**die Überweisung**

chequebook  
**das Scheckheft**

currency  
**die Währung**

loan  
**das Darlehen**

mortgage  
**die Hypothek**

interest  
**die Zinsen *pl***

to borrow  
**einen Kredit aufnehmen**

to repay  
**zurückzahlen**

to withdraw  
**abheben**

to make a deposit  
**Geld einzahlen**

to change money  
**Geld wechseln**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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If using a foreign debit or credit card whilst in Germany, most cash machines will give you the option of carrying out transactions in English.



ATM  
**der Geldautomat**



banknotes  
**die Banknoten** *fpl*



bureau de change  
**die Wechselstube**



debit/credit card  
**die Bankkarte / Kreditkarte**

EUR	34.99	
AUD	35.39	
GBP	39.31147	39.4
CAD	24.1069	24.3
TWD	53.64023	53.90
KRW	26.45427	26.6
	0.877	

exchange rate  
**der Wechselkurs**



safety deposit box  
**der Safe**

## THE POST OFFICE | AUF DER POST

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Opening hours for post offices will vary from place to place, so check what times the local branch opens and closes. Be aware that some postboxes will have one slot for local mail and one for destinations further afield.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I'd like to send this first-class/by airmail.

**Ich möchte das als Expressbrief / Luftpost aufgeben.**

Can I get a certificate of postage, please?

**Kann ich bitte einen Nachweis haben?**

How long will delivery take?

**Wie lange braucht die Zustellung?**

I'd like a book of stamps, please.

**Ein Heftchen Briefmarken, bitte.**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Place it on the scales, please.

**Legen Sie es bitte auf die Waage.**

What are the contents?

**Was enthält es?**

What is the value of this parcel?

**Wie viel ist es wert?**

That comes to ..., please.

**Das macht ..., bitte.**

Would you like a certificate of postage?

**Wollen sie einen Nachweis?**

How many stamps do you require?

**Wie viele Briefmarken wollen Sie?**

## **VOCABULARY**

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address

**die Adresse**

postal van

**das Postfahrzeug**

courier

**der Kurier**

mail

**die Post**

airmail

**die Luftpost**

first-class

**prioritär**

second-class

**Standard**

to post

**einwerfen**

to send

**schicken**

to receive mail



## Post bekommen

to return a package  
**ein Paket zurückschicken**



box  
**die Schachtel**



envelope  
**der Briefumschlag**



letter  
**der Brief**



package  
**das Paket**



padded envelope  
**die Luftpolstertasche**



postal worker  
**der Postangestellte / die Postangestellte**



postbox  
der Briefkasten



postcard  
die Postkarte



stamp  
**die Briefmarke**

# IN TOWN | IN DER STADT

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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How do I get to the city centre?  
**Wie komme ich ins Stadtzentrum?**

I'd like to visit...  
**Ich würde gerne ... besichtigen.**

I need to go to...  
**Ich muss zu... / nach...**

What are the opening hours?  
**Was sind die Öffnungszeiten?**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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It's open between ... and...  
**Es ist zwischen ... und... geöffnet.**

It's closed on Mondays.  
**Montag ist geschlossen.**

## PLACES OF IMPORTANCE

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café  
**das Café**



cathedral  
**die Kathedrale**



church  
**die Kirche**



conference centre  
**das Kongresszentrum**





courthouse  
**das Gerichtsgebäude**



fire station  
**die Feuerwache**



fountain  
**der Springbrunnen**



hospital  
**das Krankenhaus**



hotel  
**das Hotel**



laundrette  
**der Waschsalon**



library  
**die Bibliothek**



mosque  
**die Moschee**



office block  
**das Bürogebäude**



park  
**der Park**



playground  
**der Spielplatz**



police station  
**die Polizeiwache**



synagogue  
**die Synagoge**



town hall  
**das Rathaus**

## LEISURE | IN DER FREIZEIT

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A day trip, a break away, a night out, maybe even a night in – we all like to spend our free time differently. It's also a common topic of conversation with friends and colleagues; who doesn't like talking about holidays, hobbies, and how they like to hang out?





tent  
**das Zelt**

1. flysheet  
**das Überzelt**

2. guy rope  
**die Zeltleine**

3. groundsheet  
**der Zeltboden**

4. tent peg  
**der Zeltpflock**

# THE BASICS | DAS WESENTLICHE

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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What would you like to do?

**Was möchten Sie tun?**

What do you do in your spare time?

**Was machen Sie in Ihrer Freizeit?**

Have you got any hobbies?

**Haben Sie Hobbies?**

Do you enjoy...?

**Mögen Sie...?**

Are you sporty/creative/musical?

**Sind Sie sportlich / kreativ / musikalisch?**

Are you going on holiday this year?

**Machen Sie dieses Jahr Urlaub?**

How often do you go...?

**Wie oft gehen Sie...?**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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My hobbies are...

**Meine Hobbys sind...**

I like going to the theatre.

**Ich gehe gern ins Theater.**

I really enjoy it.

**Ich mag es sehr.**

It's not for me.

**Das ist nichts für mich.**

I'm going on holiday.

**Ich mache Urlaub.**

I have/don't have a lot of spare time.

**Ich habe / Ich habe nicht viel Freizeit.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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holiday

**der Urlaub**

spare time

**die Freizeit**

activity

**die Aktivität**

hobby/pastime

**das Hobby**

to be interested in something

**sich für etwas interessieren**

to be keen on doing something

**etwas gern tun**

to pass the time

**die Zeit vertreiben**

to relax

**sich entspannen**

to enjoy

**genießen**

to be bored

**sich langweilen**



cooking

**das Kochen**



DIY

**das Heimwerken**



gaming  
**Videospiele spielen**



gardening  
**die Gartenarbeit**



jogging  
**das Jogging**



listening to music  
**Musik hören**



reading  
**das Lesen**



shopping  
**das Einkaufen**



sports  
**der Sport**



travelling  
**das Reisen**





walking  
**das Laufen**



watching TV/films  
**fernsehen / Filme sehen**

## SIGHTSEEING | BESICHTIGUNGEN

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Germany has a lot to offer as a tourist destination from the picturesque castle of Neuschwanstein to cycling trips through the Rhine valley.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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How much is it to get in?

**Wie viel kostet der Eintritt?**

Is there a discount for students/ seniors?

**Gibt es eine Ermäßigung für Studenten / Senioren?**

Where is the tourist office?

**Wo ist das Fremdenverkehrsamt?**

Are there sightseeing tours?

**Gibt es Rundfahrten?**

Are there audio guides available?

**Haben Sie Audioguides?**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Entry costs...

**Der Eintritt kostet...**

There is/isn't a discount available.

**Es gibt / Es gibt keine Ermäßigung.**

The tourist office is located...

**Das Fremdenverkehrsamt ist...**

You can book a guided tour.  
**Sie können eine Rundfahrt buchen.**

Audio guides are/are not available.  
**Es gibt / Es gibt keine Audioguides.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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tourist  
**der Tourist / die Touristin**

tourist attraction  
**die Touristenattraktion**

excursion  
**der Ausflug**

nature reserve  
**das Naturschutzgebiet**

historic site  
**die historische Stätte**

guided tour  
**die Rundfahrt**

audio guide  
**der Audioguide**

to visit  
**besichtigen**

to see  
**sehen**

to book  
**buchen**

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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Some cultural and historical sites, such as museums, art galleries, and castles, are closed on certain days of the week (usually Mondays).



art gallery  
**die Kunstgalerie**



camera  
**die Kamera**



castle  
**das Schloss**



cathedral  
**die Kathedrale**



city map  
**der Stadtplan**



gardens  
**der Garten**



guidebook  
**der Reiseführer**



monument  
**das Denkmal**



museum  
**das Museum**



sightseeing bus  
**der Sightseeing-Bus**





tour guide  
**der Reiseführer / die Reiseführerin**



tourist office  
**das Fremdenverkehrsbüro**

## **EVENINGS OUT | AUSGEHEN**

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When it comes to nightlife in Germany's towns and cities, check the local tourist office for information on local events and venues. Why not get recommendations on bars and clubs from residents, too?

### **YOU MIGHT SAY...**

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What is there to do at night?

**Was kann man abends machen?**

What's on at the cinema/theatre?

**Was gibt es im Kino / im Theater?**

Where are the best bars/clubs?

**Wo sind die besten Kneipen / Clubs?**

Do you want to go for a drink?

**Wollen Sie einen trinken gehen?**

Do you want to go and see a film/ show?

**Möchten Sie einen Film / ein Theaterstück sehen?**

Are there tickets for...?

**Gibt es Karten für...?**

Two seats in the stalls/balcony, please.

**Zwei Parkettplätze / zwei Rangplätze, bitte.**

What time does it start?

**Wann fängt es an?**

I enjoyed myself.

**Ich habe viel Spaß gehabt.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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The nightlife is/isn't great around here.

**Das Nachtleben ist hier / ist hier nicht besonders lebendig.**

My favourite bar/club is...

**Meine Lieblingsbar / Mein Lieblingsclub ist...**

I'm going for a few drinks/to the theatre.

**Ich gehe einen trinken / ins Theater.**

There's a film/show I'd like to see.

**Da gibt es einen Film, den / eine Vorstellung, die ich gerne sehen würde.**

There are tickets left.

**Es gibt noch Karten.**

There are no tickets left.

**Es gibt keine Karten mehr.**

It begins at 7 o'clock.

**Es fängt um 19 Uhr an.**

Please turn off your mobile phones.

**Bitte schalten Sie Ihre Handys aus.**

Did you have a good night?

**Hatten Sie einen schönen Abend?**

## VOCABULARY

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a drink

**ein Glas**

nightlife

**das Nachtleben**

party  
**die Party**

show  
**die Vorführung**

play  
**das (Theater)stück**

film  
**der Film**

festival  
**die Festspiele**

box office  
**die Kasse**

to socialize  
**Kontakte knüpfen**

to order food/drinks  
**zu essen / zu trinken bestellen**

to see a show  
**sich eine Vorführung ansehen**

to watch a film  
**sich einen Film ansehen**

to go dancing  
**tanzen gehen**

to enjoy oneself  
**sich amüsieren**

**YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Many bars and restaurants in German towns and cities have outdoor terraces ideal for people-watching; however, waiters often object to customers rearranging tables to suit their group, so let them make the arrangements for you.



ballet  
**das Ballett**



bar  
**die Bar**



carnival  
**der Karneval**



casino  
**das Kasino**



cinema  
**das Kino**



comedy show  
**die Comedy-Show**



concert  
**das Konzert**



funfair  
**der Jahrmarkt**





musical  
**das Musical**



nightclub  
**der Nachtclub**



opera  
**die Oper**



restaurant  
**das Restaurant**



theatre  
**das Theater**

## HOTEL | IM HOTEL

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Germany welcomes an increasing flow of visitors every year, and there's a vast range of accommodation available, from high-end hotels to cosy bed and breakfasts.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Have you got rooms available?

**Haben Sie freie Zimmer?**

How much is it per night?

**Wie viel kostet es pro Nacht?**

Is breakfast included?

**Ist das Frühstück inbegriffen?**

Is there a city tax?

**Muss man eine Kurtaxe zahlen?**

I'd like to check in, please.

**Ich würde mich gerne anmelden.**

I'd like to check out, please.

**Ich möchte das Zimmer räumen.**

What time is breakfast served?

**Um wie viel Uhr gibt es Frühstück?**

I have a reservation.

**Ich habe gebucht.**

I'd like to book a single/double room, please.

**Ich möchte ein Einzelzimmer / Doppelzimmer buchen.**

What time do I have to check out?

**Um wie viel Uhr muss ich das Zimmer räumen?**

Could I upgrade my room?

**Kann ich mein Zimmer aufwerten?**

I need fresh towels/more soap for my room.

**Ich brauche neue Handtücher / mehr Seife in meinem Zimmer.**

I've lost my key.

**Ich habe den Schlüssel verloren.**

I'd like to make a complaint.

**Ich möchte eine Beschwerde einlegen.**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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When checking in to your hotel, you may be expected to fill out a registration form ("der Meldeschein") and provide your passport number.

## **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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We don't have any rooms available.

**Wir haben keine freien Zimmer.**

Our rates are...

**Es kostet...**

Breakfast is/is not included.

**Das Frühstück ist / ist nicht inbegriffen.**

Breakfast is served at...

**Frühstück gibt es um ... Uhr.**

May I have your room number, please?

**Kann ich bitte Ihre Zimmernummer haben?**

May I see your documents, please?  
**Ihre Papiere, bitte.**

You may check in after...  
**Sie können ab ... Uhr ankommen.**

You must check out before...  
**Sie müssen das Zimmer vor ... Uhr räumen.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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bed and breakfast  
**die Frühstückspension**

full board  
**die Vollpension**

half board  
**die Halbpension**

“vacancies”  
**„Zimmer frei”**

room service  
**der Zimmerservice**

wake-up call  
**der Weckruf**

room number  
**die Zimmernummer**

per person per night  
**pro Person pro Nacht**

to check in  
**einchecken**

to check out  
**abreisen**

to order room service  
**Zimmerservice bestellen**



corridor  
**der Korridor**



“do not disturb” sign  
**das „Bitte nicht stören“-Schild**



double room  
**das Doppelzimmer**



key card  
**die Schlüsselkarte**





minibar  
**die Minibar**



porter  
**der Gepäckträger / die Gepäckträgerin**



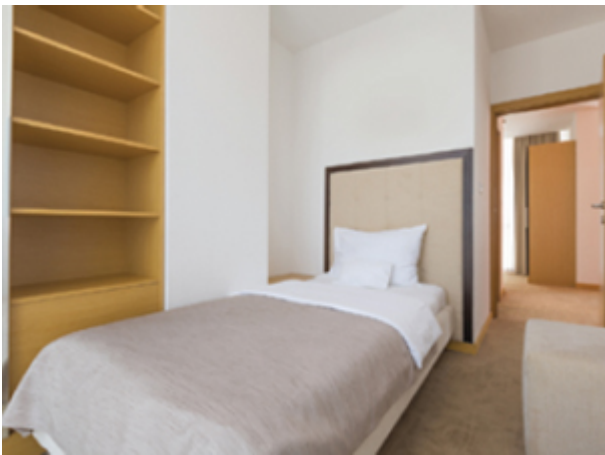
reception  
**der Empfangsbereich**



receptionist  
**der Empfangschef / die Empfangschefin**



safe  
**der Tresor**



single room  
**das Einzelzimmer**



toilettries  
die Toilettenartikel *mpl*



twin room  
das **Zweibettzimmer**

## CAMPING | CAMPEN

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There are a vast number of campsites in Germany, offering different types of accommodation and facilities for travellers. Some “Länder” have options for wild camping (“das Wildcampen”), but you must check what the local and national restrictions are before you set off on your trip.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Have you got spaces available?

**Haben Sie freie Plätze?**

I'd like to book for ... nights.

**Ich möchte für ... Nächte buchen.**

Can we camp here?

**Dürfen wir hier ein Zelt aufschlagen?**

How much is it per night?

**Wie viel kostet es pro Nacht?**

Where is the toilet/shower block?

**Wo ist der Sanitärblock?**

Is the water drinkable?

**Ist das Wasser trinkbar?**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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We don't have any spaces.

**Wir haben keine freien Plätze.**

You can camp here.

**Sie können hier Zelte aufschlagen.**

It costs ... per night.

**Es kostet ... pro Nacht.**

The toilets/showers are located...

**Die Toiletten / die Duschräume sind...**

The water is/is not drinkable.

**Das Wasser ist / ist nicht trinkbar.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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campsite

**der Campingplatz**

pitch

**der Platz**

electricity hook-up

**der Stromanschluss**

toilet/shower block

**der Sanitärblock**

camper

**der Camper / die Camperin**

“no camping”

**„Zelten verboten“**

to camp

**zelten**

to pitch/take down a tent

**ein Zelt aufschlagen / abbrechen**

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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All caravans and motorhomes on German motorways have to pay a toll.



air bed  
**die Luftmatratze**



barbecue  
**der Grill**



camping stove  
**der Campingkocher**



caravan  
**der Wohnwagen**



cool box  
**die Kühlbox**





fold-up chair  
**der Campingstuhl**



matches  
**die Streichhölzer** *npl*



motorhome  
**der Camper**



picnic blanket  
**die Picknick-Decke**



sleeping bag  
**der Schlafsack**



tent  
**das Zelt**



torch  
**die Taschenlampe**

## THE BEACH | AM STRAND

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Germany has almost 1,500 miles of coastline along the North Sea and the Baltic Sea. The coast is a popular holiday destination, with long sandy beaches where kitesurfing is a favourite activity. There, you will also find the very typical “Strandkörbe”, lockable beach chairs made of wicker, wood, and canvas.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Is there a good beach nearby?

**Gibt es hier in der Nähe einen schönen Strand?**

Is swimming permitted here?

**Darf man hier baden?**

Is the water cold?

**Ist das Wasser kalt?**

Can we hire...?

**Kann man ... mieten?**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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This is a public/private beach.

**Das ist ein öffentlicher / privater Strand.**

Swimming is allowed/forbidden.

**Baden ist gestattet / verboten.**

Swimming is/is not supervised.

**Das Baden ist / ist nicht überwacht.**

The water is warm/freezing!  
**Das Wasser ist angenehm / eisig!**

## VOCABULARY

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“No swimming.”  
„**Baden verboten.**”

bathing zone  
**das Badegebiet**

suntan  
**die Sonnenbräune**

to sunbathe  
**in der Sonne liegen**

to swim  
**schwimmen**

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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Public beaches are often monitored and may use a flag system to indicate bathing conditions:

Yellow-and-red – “safe for swimming”

Yellow – “no bathing for non-swimmers”

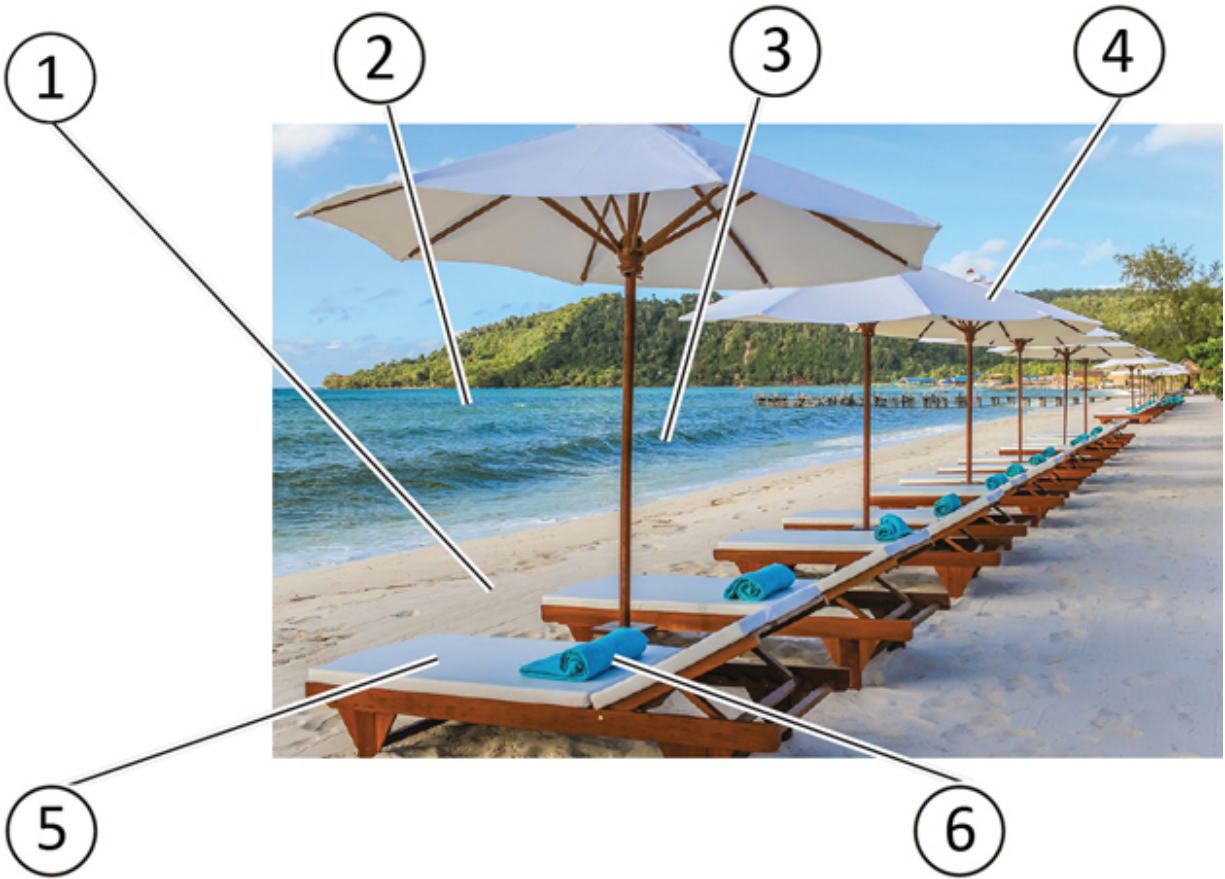
Red – “danger – no lifeguards present”

Black-and-white – “reserved for watersports”.

If you see a sign saying “FKK-Strand” or “FKK-Badeort”, you should expect a nudist beach. You may encounter nude sunbathers on “normal” beaches too.

## THE SEASIDE

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1. sand  
**der Sand**

2. sea  
**das Meer**

3. waves  
**die Wellen *fpl***

4. parasol  
**der Sonnenschirm**

5. sunbed  
**die Sonnenliege**

6. beach towel  
**das Strandtuch**

## GENERAL

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beach ball  
**der Wasserball**



beach hut  
**das Strandhäuschen**



bikini  
**der Bikini**



bucket and spade  
**der Eimer und die Schaufel**





deckchair  
**der Liegestuhl**



flip-flops  
**die Flip-Flops** *mpl*



flippers  
**die Flossen** *fpl*



promenade  
**die Promenade**



sandcastle  
**die Sandburg**



seashells  
**die Muscheln** *fpl*



seaweed  
**der Seetang**



snorkel  
**der Schnorchel**



sunglasses  
**die Sonnenbrille**



sunhat  
**der Sonnenhut**



suntan lotion  
**die Sonnencreme**



swimming trunks  
**die Badehose**



swimsuit  
**der Badeanzug**



windbreak  
**der Windschutz**

# MUSIC | MUSIK

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I enjoy listening to music.

**Ich höre gern Musik.**

I play...

**Ich spiele...**

I'm learning to play...

**Ich lerne, ... zu spielen.**

What kind of music do you like?

**Welche Art Musik hören Sie gerne?**

Is there a live music scene here?

**Wo kann man hier Live-Musik hören?**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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I like/don't like...

**Ich mag / mag nicht...**

My favourite group is...

**Meine Lieblingsband ist...**

There's a good music scene here.

**Es gibt hier eine gute LiveMusik-Szene.**

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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June 21st is Fête de la Musique (Music Day), celebrated worldwide and first established in France in 1981. It has kept its French name in Germany. Munich was the first German city to organize the event, and now many free concerts and music events are held throughout the country on this date.

## VOCABULARY

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DJ  
**der DJ**

CD  
**die CD**

vinyl record  
**die Schallplatte**

microphone  
**das Mikrofon**

song  
**das Lied**

album  
**das Album**

singer-songwriter  
**der Singer-Songwriter / die Singer-Songwriterin**

band  
**die Band**

live music  
**die Livemusik**

gig  
**der Gig**

pop  
**der Pop**

folk music  
**die Folkmusik**

rock  
**der Rock**

hip-hop  
**der Hip-Hop**

rap  
**der Rap**

classical  
**klassisch**

to play an instrument  
**ein Instrument spielen**

to sing  
**singen**

to listen to music  
**Musik hören**

to go to gigs  
**auf Konzerte gehen**

## EQUIPMENT

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Bluetooth® speaker  
**der Bluetooth®-Lautsprecher**



earphones  
**die Ohrhörer *mpl***



headphones  
**die Kopfhörer *pl***



soundbar  
**die Soundbar**



speakers  
**die Lautsprecher *mpl***



turntable  
**der Plattenspieler**

## MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

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accordion  
**das Akkordeon**



acoustic guitar  
**die Akustikgitarre**



bass drum  
**die große Trommel**



bass guitar  
**der E-Bass**



cello  
**das Cello**



clarinet  
**die Klarinette**



cymbals  
**das Becken**



double bass  
**der Kontrabass**



electric guitar  
**die E-Gitarre**





flute  
**die Flöte**



harp  
**die Harfe**



keyboard  
**das Keyboard**



mouth organ  
**die Mundharmonika**



piano  
**das Klavier**



saxophone  
**das Saxophon**



snare drum  
**die kleine Trommel**



trombone  
**die Posaune**



trumpet  
**die Trompete**



tuba  
**die Tuba**



violin  
**die Geige**



xylophone  
**das Xylophon**

## **GENERAL**

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choir  
**der Chor**



conductor  
**der Dirigent / die Dirigentin**



musician  
**der Musiker / die Musikerin**



orchestra  
**das Orchester**



sheet music  
**die Noten *fp***



singer  
**der Sänger / die Sängerin**



# PHOTOGRAPHY | FOTOGRAFIE

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Can I take photos here?

**Darf ich hier Fotos machen?**

Where can I print my photos?

**Wo kann ich Fotos ausdrucken lassen?**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Photography isn't allowed.

**Fotografieren ist verboten.**

Say cheese!

**Bitte lächeln!**

## VOCABULARY

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photo

**das Foto**

photographer

**der Fotograf / die Fotografin**

selfie

**das Selfie**

selfie stick

**der Selfie-Stick**

to take a photo/selfie

ein Foto / Selfie machen

to zoom in  
heranzoomen



camera lens  
das **Objektiv**



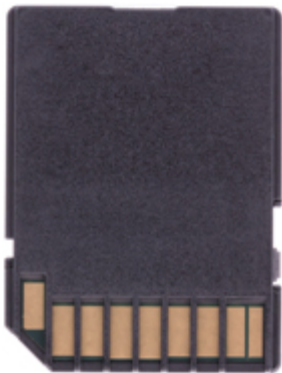
compact camera  
die **Kompaktkamera**



drone  
**die Drohne**



DSLR camera  
**die DSLR-Kamera**



SD card  
**die SD-Speicherkarte**



tripod  
**das Stativ**

## GAMES | SPIELE

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Board game cafés (“Spiel-Café”) where you can get together over a drink and a favourite board game are starting to appear across Germany – they make for great opportunities to use and improve your German!

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Shall we play a game?  
**Sollen wir ein Spiel spielen?**

What would you like to play?  
**Was möchtest du / möchtet ihr spielen?**

What are the rules?  
**Was sind die Spielregeln?**

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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It's your turn.  
**Du bist dran.**

Time's up!  
**Die Zeit ist um.**

Shall we play something else?  
**Können wir etwas anderes spielen?**

### VOCABULARY

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player

## **der Spieler / die Spielerin**

hide and seek

**das Versteckspiel**

crossword

**das Kreuzworträtsel**

solitaire

**die Patience**

poker

**das Poker**

hand (in cards)

**das Blatt**

games console

**die Spielekonsole**

video game

**das Videospiele**

to play

**spielen**

to roll the dice

**würfeln**

to win

**gewinnen**

to lose

**verlieren**



backgammon  
das **Backgammon**



board game  
das **Brettspiel**



bowling  
das **Bowling**



cards  
**die Karten** *fpl*



chess  
**das Schachspiel**



counters  
**die Spielsteine** *mpl*





darts  
**die Darts**



dice  
**der Würfel**



dominoes  
**das Dominospiel**



draughts  
**das Damespiel**



jigsaw puzzle  
**das Puzzle**



skittles  
**das Kegelspiel**

# ARTS AND CRAFTS | KUNSTHANDWERK

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There has been a growing interest in arts and crafts pursuits over the last number of years in Germany, with more and more craft fairs appearing across the country. Painting, sculpting, and pottery holidays are also increasingly popular.

## VOCABULARY

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handicrafts

**das Kunsthandwerk**

craft fair

**der Kunsthandwerksmarkt**

artist

**der Künstler / die Künstlerin**

amateur

**der Amateur / die Amateurin**

dressmaker

**der Schneider / die Schneiderin**

to paint

**malen**

to sketch

**skizzieren**

to sew

**nähen**

to knit

**stricken**

to be creative  
**kreativ sein**

## **GENERAL CRAFTS**

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embroidery  
**die Stickerei**



jewellery-making  
**die Schmuckherstellung**



model-making  
**der Modellbau**



papercrafts  
**die Papierbastelei**



pottery  
**die Töpferei**



woodwork  
**die Holzarbeit**

## ART MATERIALS

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canvas  
**die Leinwand**



easel  
**die Staffelei**





ink  
**die Tinte**



oil paint  
**die Ölfarbe**



paintbrush  
**der Pinsel**



palette  
**die Palette**



paper  
**das Papier**



pastels  
**die Pastellfarben *fpl***



pen  
**der Kugelschreiber**



pencil  
**der Bleistift**



sketchpad  
**der Skizzenblock**



watercolours  
**die Wasserfarben** *fpl*

**SEWING ACCESSORIES**

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ball of wool  
**der Knäuel**



buttons  
**die Knöpfe** *mpl*



crochet hook  
**die Häkelnadel**



fabric  
**der Stoff**



fabric scissors  
**die Stoffschere**



knitting needles  
**die Stricknadeln** *fpl*



needle and thread  
**die Nadel und der Faden**



pins  
**die Stecknadeln *fpl***





safety pin  
**die Sicherheitsnadel**



sewing basket  
**der Nähkorb**



sewing machine  
**die Nähmaschine**

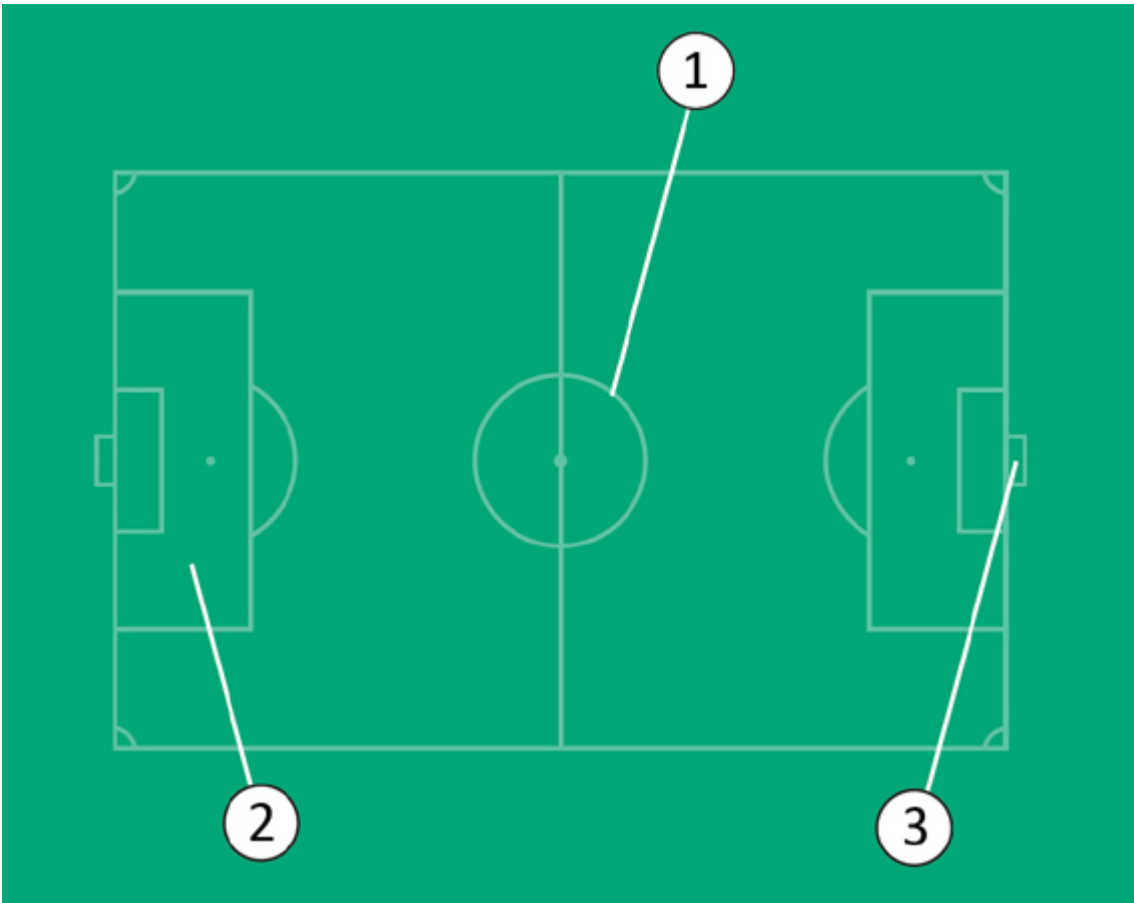


tape measure  
**das Maßband**

## SPORT | DER SPORT

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Be it football or ice hockey, cycling or skiing, Germany has a long sporting history. There are hundreds of sports and fitness clubs, plus events across the country that you can get involved with, either as a player or as a spectator. You may be looking to participate in a sport, head to the gym, or you may simply want to chat about how “die Mannschaft” is getting on.



football pitch  
**das Spielfeld**

1. centre circle  
**der Mittelkreis**

2. penalty box  
**der Strafraum**

3. goal  
**das Tor**

# THE BASICS | DAS WESENTLICHE

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I like keeping active.

**Ich bin gerne aktiv.**

Where is the nearest...?

**Wo ist der / die / das nächste...?**

I train ... times per week.

**Ich trainiere ... Mal pro Woche.**

I play football/hockey.

**Ich spiele Fußball / Hockey.**

I'd like to book...

**Ich würde gern ... reservieren.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Do you do any sports?

**Treiben Sie Sport?**

Where/When do you train?

**Wo / Wann trainieren Sie?**

Do you follow any sports?

**Verfolgen Sie einen bestimmten Sport?**

What's your favourite team?

**Welche ist Ihre Lieblingsmannschaft?**

I'm a fan of...

Ich bin Fan von...

## VOCABULARY

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tournament  
**das Turnier**

competition  
**der Wettbewerb**

league  
**die Meisterschaft**

champion  
**der Meister / die Meisterin**

teammate  
**der Mannschaftskamerad / die Mannschaftskameradin**

competitor  
**der Teilnehmer / die Teilnehmerin**

coach  
**der Trainer / die Trainerin**

manager  
**der Cheftrainer / die Cheftrainerin**

match  
**das Spiel**

points  
**die Punkte** *mpl*

to coach  
**trainieren**

to compete

**teilnehmen**

to score

**Punkte erzielen**

to win

**gewinnen**

to lose

**verlieren**

to draw

**unentschieden spielen**



leisure centre

**das Freizeitzentrum**



medal  
**die Medaille**



official  
**der Offizielle / die Offizielle**





podium  
**das Podium**



referee  
**der Schiedsrichter / die Schiedsrichterin**



scoreboard  
**die Anzeigetafel**



spectators  
**die Zuschauer** *mpl*



sportsperson  
**der Sportler / die Sportlerin**



stadium  
**das Stadion**



stands  
**die Tribüne**



team  
**die Mannschaft**



trophy  
**die Trophäe**

# WELLBEING | FITNESS

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I'd like to join the gym.

**Ich würde gerne Mitglied des Fitnessstudios werden.**

I'd like to book a class.

**Ich möchte mich für einen Kurs einschreiben.**

What are the facilities like?

**Wie sind die Einrichtungen?**

What classes can you do here?

**Welche Kurse unterrichten Sie hier?**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Would you like to book an induction?

**Wollen Sie eine Einführung buchen?**

What time would you like to book for?

**Für wie viel Uhr wollen Sie buchen?**

Are you a member?

**Sind Sie Mitglied?**

## VOCABULARY

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gym

**das Fitnessstudio**

gym instructor

**der Fitnesstrainer / die Fitnesstrainerin**

gym membership

**die Mitgliedschaft im Fitnessstudio**

personal trainer

**der Personal Trainer**

exercise class

**der Fitnesskurs**

Pilates

**das Pilates**

yoga

**das Yoga**

press-ups

**die Liegestütze *mpl***

sit-ups

**die Sit-ups *mpl***

walking

**das Gehen**

running

**das Laufen**

running club

**der Laufklub**

to exercise

**Sport treiben**

to keep fit

**fit bleiben**

to go for a run

**laufen gehen**

to go to the gym  
**ins Fitnessstudio gehen**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Some gyms may expect you to continue paying for the duration of your membership even if you are unable to continue attending the gym.

## **THE GYM**

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changing room  
**der Umkleideraum**





cross trainer  
**der Crosstrainer**



dumbbell  
**die Hantel**



exercise bike  
**der Heimtrainer**



gym ball  
**der Gymnastikball**



kettle bell  
**die Kettlebell**



locker  
**der Spind**



rowing machine  
**das Rudergerät**



showers  
**der Duschaum**



skipping rope  
**das Springseil**



treadmill  
**das Laufband**



weightlifting bench  
**die Hantelbank**

# FOOTBALL | FUßBALL

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Football is the most widely played sport in Germany. The national team have been World Cup and European winners multiple times.

## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Are you going to watch the match?

**Sehen Sie sich das Spiel an?**

What's the score?

**Wie steht es?**

That was a foul!

**Das war ein Foul!**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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I'm watching the match.

**Ich sehe mir das Spiel an.**

The score is...

**Es steht...**

Go on!

**Na los!**

## VOCABULARY

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defender

**der Abwehrspieler / die Abwehrspielerin**

striker  
**der Stürmer / die Stürmerin**

substitute  
**der Ersatzspieler / die Ersatzspielerin**

kick-off  
**der Anstoß**

half-time  
**die Halbzeit**

full-time  
**die reguläre Spielzeit**

extra time  
**die Verlängerung**

injury time  
**die Nachspielzeit**

free kick  
**der Freistoß**

header  
**der Kopfball**

save  
**die Abwehr**

foul  
**das Foul**

offside  
**das Abseits**

penalty kick  
**der Strafstoß**

penalty box  
**der Strafraum**

to play football  
**Fußball spielen**

to kick  
**kicken**

to tackle  
**angreifen**

to pass the ball  
**den Ball abgeben**

to score a goal  
**ein Tor schießen**



assistant referee  
**der Schiedrichterassistent / die Schiedrichter assistentin**





football  
**der Fußball**



football boots  
**die Fußballschuhe** *mpl*



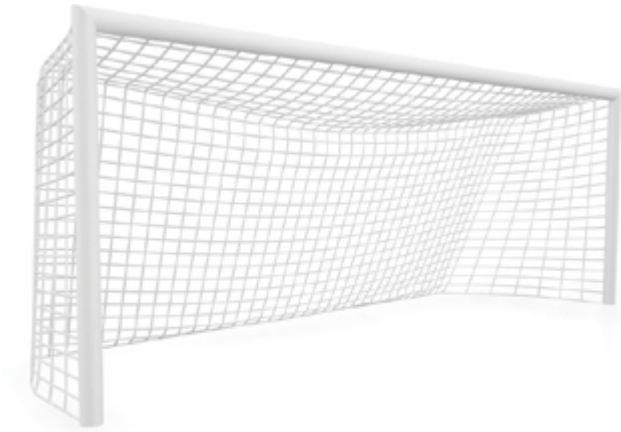
football match  
**das Fußballspiel**



football pitch  
**das Spielfeld**



football player  
**der Fußballspieler / die Fußballspielerin**



goal  
**das Tor**



goalkeeper  
**der Torwart / die Torwartin**



goalkeeper's gloves  
**die Torwarthandschuhe** *mpl*



shin pads  
**die Schienbeinschützer** *mpl*



whistle  
**die Pfeife**



yellow/red card  
**die gelbe / rote Karte**

# ICE HOCKEY | EISHOCKEY

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Although far behind football in terms of number of spectators, ice hockey is still hugely popular in Germany.

## VOCABULARY

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blue line  
**die blaue Linie**

boards  
**die Bande**

check  
**der Check**

face-off  
**der Abschlag**

ice time  
**die Eiszeit**

penalty shot  
**das Penaltyschießen**

period  
**das Drittel**

powerplay  
**das Powerplay**

to play ice hockey  
**Eishockey spielen**



helmet cage  
**das Gitter**



ice hockey player  
**der Eishockeyspieler / die Eishockeyspielerin**



ice hockey stick  
**der Eishockeyschläger**



mitts  
**die Fanghandschuhe *mpl***





puck  
**der Puck**



skates  
**die Schlittschuhe** *mpl*

# BASKETBALL | BASKETBALL

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Interest in basketball has grown rapidly over the last few decades, and, in fact, Germany has exported a number of players to the American NBA.

## VOCABULARY

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layup

**der Korbleger**

slam dunk

**der Slam Dunk**

free throw

**der Freiwurf**

to play basketball

**Basketball spielen**

to catch

**fangen**

to throw

**werfen**

to dribble

**dribbeln**

to block

**blockieren**

to mark a player

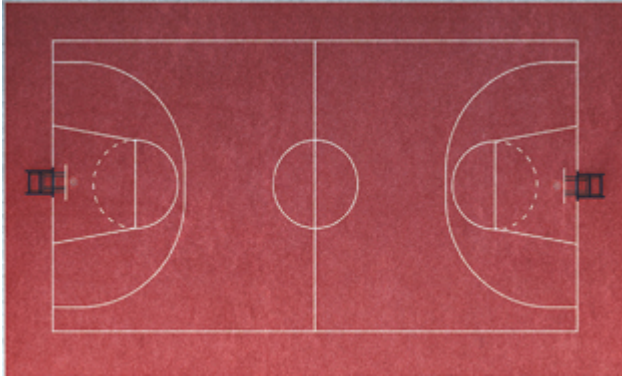
**einen Spieler decken**



basket  
**der Korb**



basketball  
**der Basketball**



basketball court  
**das Basketballfeld**



basketball game  
**das Basketball**



basketball player  
**der Basketballspieler / die Basketballspielerin**



basketball shoes  
**die Basketballschuhe *mpl***

# RACKET SPORTS | SCHLÄGERSPORTARTEN

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## VOCABULARY

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net  
**das Netz**

ace  
**das Ass**

serve  
**der Aufschlag**

backhand  
**die Rückhand**

forehand  
**die Vorhand**

fault  
**der Fehler**

rally  
**der Ballwechsel**

game, set and match  
**Spiel, Satz und Sieg**

singles  
**das Einzel**

doubles  
**das Doppel**

top seed

**der topgesetzte Spieler / die topgesetzte Spielerin**

to play tennis

**Tennis spielen**

to play badminton

**Badminton spielen**

to hit

**schlagen**

to serve

**Aufschlag haben**

to break someone's serve

**den Break holen**

## **BADMINTON**

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badminton

**das Badminton**



badminton racket  
**der Badmintonschläger**



shuttlecock  
**der Federball**

## **SQUASH**

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squash  
**das Squash**





squash ball  
der **Squashball**



squash racket  
der **Squashschläger**

## TENNIS

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ball boy/girl  
der **Balljunge / das Ballmädchen**



line judge  
**der Linienrichter / die Linienrichterin**



tennis  
**das Tennis**



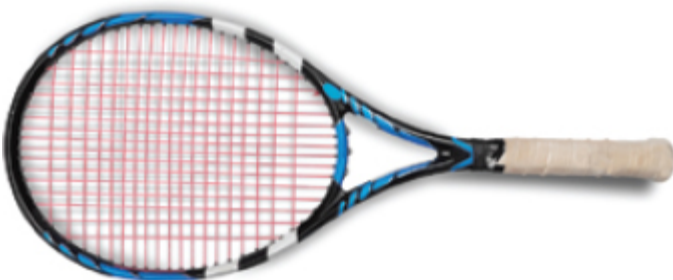
tennis ball  
**der Tennisball**



tennis court  
**der Tennisplatz**



tennis player  
**der Tennisspieler / die Tennisspielerin**



tennis racket  
**der Tennisschläger**



umpire  
**der Schiedsrichter / die Schiedsrichterin**



umpire's chair  
**der Hochstuhl**

## WATER SPORTS | WASSERSPORT

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There are a whole range of water sports you can try out whilst in Germany, by the coast as well as inland. It's always advisable to seek out experienced instructors and source any appropriate safety equipment.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I'm a keen swimmer.  
**Ich schwimme liebend gerne.**

I'm not a strong swimmer.  
**Ich schwimme nicht sehr gut.**

Can I hire...?  
**Kann ich ... mieten?**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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You can hire...  
**Sie können ... mieten.**

You must wear a lifejacket.  
**Sie müssen eine Schwimmweste tragen.**

### VOCABULARY

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swimming  
**das Schwimmen**

breaststroke

**das Brustschwimmen**

backstroke

**das Rückenschwimmen**

front crawl

**das Kraulen**

butterfly

**der Butterfly**

lane

**die Spur**

length

**die Länge**

swimming lesson

**der Schwimmunterricht**

swimmer

**der Schwimmer / die Schwimmerin**

diver

**der Taucher / die Taucherin**

diving

**das Tauchen**

angling

**das Angeln**

angler

**der Angler / die Anglerin**

surfer

**der Surfer / die Surferin**

to swim

**schwimmen**

to dive

**tauchen**

to surf

**surfen**

to paddle

**paddeln**

to sail

**segeln**

to fish

**fischen**

**POOL**

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armbands

**die Schwimmflügel** *mpl*



diving board  
**das Sprungbrett**



flippers  
**die Flossen *fpl***



goggles  
**die Schwimmbrille**





lifeguard  
der Rettungsschwimmer / die Rettungsschwimmerin



swimming cap  
die Bademütze



swimming pool  
**das Schwimmbecken**



swimming trunks  
**die Badehose**



swimsuit  
**der Badeanzug**

## **OPEN WATER**

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bodyboarding  
**das Bodyboarding**



canoeing  
**das Kanufahren**



jet ski  
**der Jetski**



kayaking  
**das Kajakfahren**



kitesurfing  
**das Kitesurfen**



lifejacket  
**die Schwimmweste**



paddle  
**das Paddel**



paddleboarding  
**das Paddleboarding**



scuba diving  
**das Sporttauchen**



snorkelling  
**das Schnorcheln**



surfboard  
**das Surfbrett**



surfing  
**das Surfen**





waterskiing  
**das Wasserskilaufen**



wetsuit  
**der Neoprenanzug**



windsurfing  
**das Windsurfen**

## WINTER SPORTS | WINTERSPORT

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The Bavarian Alps and the Black Forest, among other locations, offer plenty of opportunities to try mountain and winter sports in Germany. There are also numerous ski resorts in Austria and Switzerland offering some fantastic skiing and climbing.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Can I hire some skis?

**Kann ich Skier mieten?**

I'd like a skiing lesson, please.

**Ich würde gern Skiunterricht nehmen.**

I can't ski very well.

**Ich fahre nicht gut Ski.**

What are the snow conditions like?

**Wie sehen die Schneebedingungen aus?**

I've fallen.

**Ich bin gestürzt.**

I've hurt myself.

**Ich habe mir weh getan.**

Help!

**Hilfe!**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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You can hire skis here.

**Sie können hier Skier mieten.**

You can book a skiing lesson here.

**Sie können sich hier zum Skiunterricht einschreiben.**

Do you have much skiing experience?

**Haben Sie Erfahrung im Skifahren?**

The piste is open/closed today.

**Die Piste ist heute geöffnet / geschlossen.**

The conditions are good/bad.

**Die Bedingungen sind gut / schlecht.**

There's an avalanche risk.

**Es besteht Lawinengefahr.**

Be careful.

**Sehen Sie vorsichtig.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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skier

**der Skifahrer / die Skifahrerin**

ski resort

**das Skigebiet**

ski lift

**der Skilift**

ski instructor

**der Skilehrer / die Skilehrerin**

mountain rescue service

**die Bergwacht**

first-aid kit

**der Verbandskasten**

snow

**der Schnee**

powder

**der Pulverschnee**

ice

**das Eis**

avalanche

**die Lawine**

avalanche risk

**die Lawinengefahr**

to ski

**skifahren**

to ski off-piste

**freeriden**

to snowboard

**snowboarden**

to go mountain climbing

**bergsteigen**

to go sledging

**Schlitten fahren**

to go ice skating

**Schlittschuh laufen**

**YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Whilst there are relatively few restrictions on where you can ski in the mountains, it's a good idea to have a guide accompany you if you do wish to try an off-piste route. There are also ski clinics in many resorts for those wishing to try off-piste skiing.

## GENERAL

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carabiner clip  
**der Karabiner**



crampons  
**die Steigeisen *ntpl***



ice axe  
**der Eispickel**



ice skates  
**die Schlittschuhe** *mpl*



rope  
**das Seil**



sledge  
**der Schlitten**

## **SKIING AND SNOWBOARDING**

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piste  
**die Piste**





salopettes  
**die Skihose**



ski boots  
**die Skischeuhe *mpl***



ski gloves  
**die Skihandschuhe** *mpl*



ski goggles  
**die Skibrille**



ski helmet  
**der Skihelm**



ski jacket  
**die Skijacke**



ski poles  
**die Skistöcke** *mpl*



skis  
**die Skier** *mpl*



ski suit  
**der Skianzug**



snowboard  
**das Snowboard**



snowboarding boots  
**die Snowboardschuhe *mpl***

# COMBAT SPORTS | KAMPFSPORTARTEN

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## VOCABULARY

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fight  
**der Kampf**

boxer  
**der Boxer / die Boxerin**

fighter  
**der Kämpfer / die Kämpferin**

wrestler  
**der Ringkämpfer / die Ringkämpferin**

opponent  
**der Gegner / die Gegnerin**

featherweight  
**das Federgewicht**

heavyweight  
**das Schwergewicht**

punch  
**der Punch**

knockout  
**der K.-o.-Schlag**

to box  
**boxen**

to wrestle

**ringen**

to punch  
**schlagen**

to kick  
**kicken**

to strike  
**zuschlagen**

to spar  
**sparren**

to fence  
**fechten**

to knock out  
**k.o. schlagen**

## **BOXING**

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boxing gloves  
**die Boxhandschuhe** *mpl*





boxing ring  
**der Boxring**



boxing shoes  
**die Boxschuhe** *mpl*



headguard  
der **Kopfschutz**



mouthguard  
der **Zahnschutz**



punchbag  
der **Sandsack**

## OTHER COMBAT SPORTS

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fencing  
**das Fechten**



judo  
**das Judo**



karate  
**das Karate**



kickboxing  
**das Kickboxen**



kung fu  
**das Kung-Fu**



taekwondo  
**das Taekwondo**



wrestling  
**der Ringkampf**

# ATHLETICS | ATHLETIK

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## VOCABULARY

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runner  
**der Läufer / die Läuferin**

race  
**das Rennen**

marathon  
**der Marathon**

sprint  
**der Sprint**

relay  
**der Staffellauf**

lane  
**die Spur**

heat  
**der Durchgang**

final  
**das Finale**

false start  
**der Fehlstart**

start line  
**die Startlinie**

finish line

**die Ziellinie**

triple jump  
**der Dreisprung**

heptathlon  
**der Siebenkampf**

decathlon  
**der Zehnkampf**

starter's gun  
**der Startschuss**

to do athletics  
**Leichtathletik betreiben**

to run  
**laufen**

to race  
**Rennen laufen**

to jump  
**springen**

to throw  
**werfen**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Germany was one of the first countries to organize women's athletics competitions, the first taking place in 1916.





athlete  
**der Leichtathlet / die Leichtathletin**



discus  
**der Diskus**



high jump  
**der Hochsprung**



hurdles  
**die Hürden *fpl***



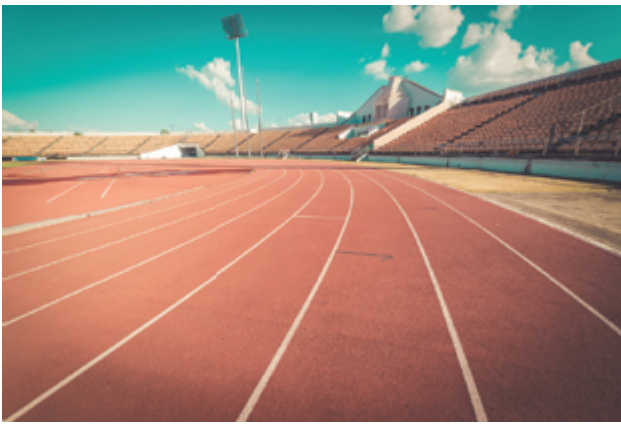
javelin  
**der Speer**



long jump  
**der Weitsprung**



pole vault  
**der Stabhochsprung**



running track  
**die Rennbahn**



shot put  
**das Kugelstoßen**



spikes  
**die Spikes *mpl***



starting blocks  
**der Startblock**



stopwatch  
**die Stoppuhr**

# GOLF | GOLF

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Golf and golfing holidays are popular in Germany, and you can find golf courses and clubs all over the country where you can hire equipment.

## VOCABULARY

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golfer

**der Golfer / die Golferin**

caddie

**der Caddie**

golf course

**der Golfplatz**

fairway

**das Fairway**

green

**das Grün**

bunker

**der Sandbunker**

hole

**das Loch**

clubhouse

**das Klubhaus**

hole-in-one

**das Hole-in-one**

birdie  
**das Birdie**

over/under par  
**über / unter Par**

to play golf  
**Golf spielen**

to tee off  
**abschlagen**

to drive/putt the ball  
**den Ball driven / putten**



golf bag  
**die Golftasche**





golf ball  
**der Golfball**



golf buggy  
**der Golf-Buggy**



golf club  
**der Golfklub**



putter  
**der Putter**



tee  
**das Tee**

## OTHER SPORTS | ANDERE SPORTARTEN

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American football  
**der American Football**



archery  
**das Bogenschießen**



baseball  
**das Baseball**



climbing  
**das Klettern**



fishing  
**das Fischen**



gymnastics  
**die Gymnastik**



handball  
**der Handball**



hockey  
**das Hockey**



horse racing  
**das Pferderennen**



ice skating  
**das Schlittschuhlaufen**



motorcycle racing  
**das Motorradrennen**



motor racing  
**das Autorennen**





netball  
**der Korbball**



pool  
**das Poolbillard**



rugby  
**das Rugby**



shooting  
**das Schießen**



showjumping  
**das Springen**



skateboarding  
**das Skateboardfahren**



snooker  
**das Snooker**



table tennis  
**das Tischtennis**



track cycling  
das **Bahnradrennen**



volleyball  
der **Volleyball**



water polo  
**der Wasserball**

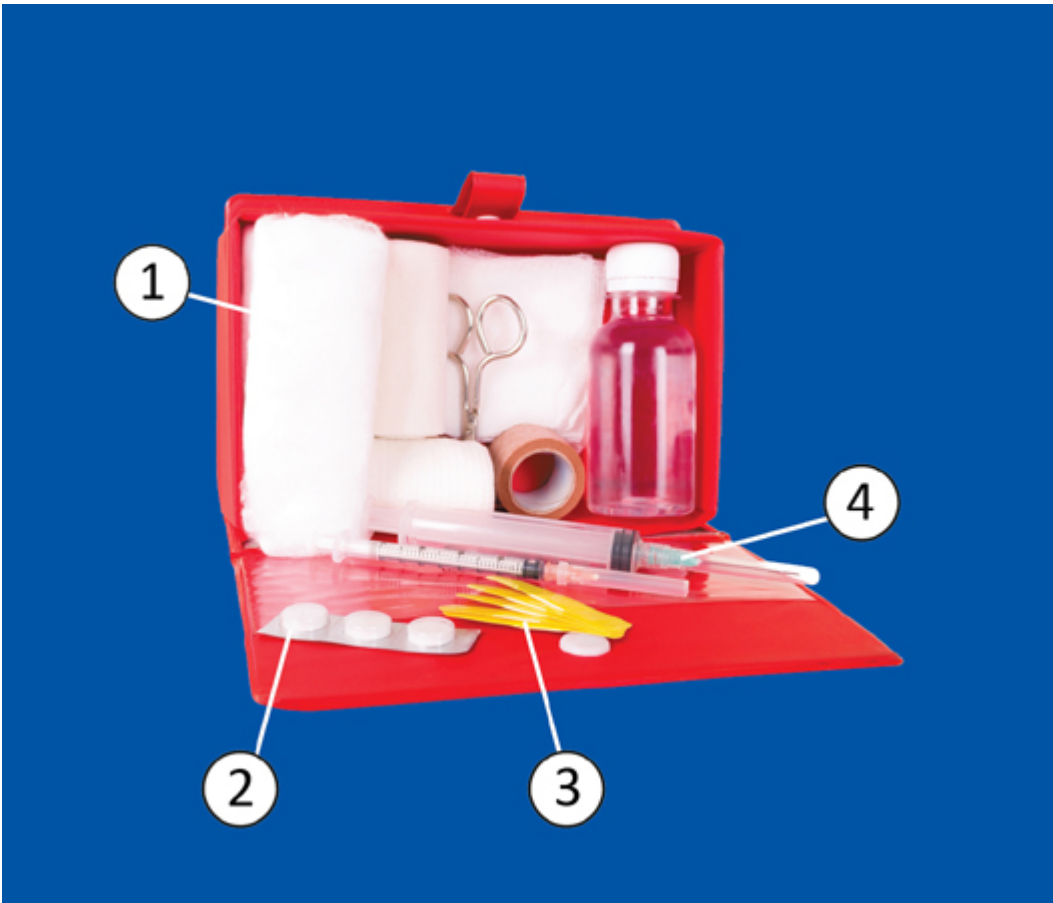


weightlifting  
**das Gewichtheben**

## HEALTH | GESUNDHEIT

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It's important to arrange appropriate cover for healthcare during your time in Germany. Healthcare for residents is funded by mandatory health insurance and provided by a system of public and private hospitals, doctors, and medical professionals. If you are a holidaymaker in Germany, ensure you have appropriate travel insurance in place.



first-aid kit  
**der Verbandskasten**

1. bandage  
**der Verband**

2. tablet/pill  
**die Tablette**

3. plaster  
**das Pflaster**

4. syringe  
**die Spritze**



# THE BASICS | DAS WESENTLICHE

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I don't feel well.

**Ich fühle mich unwohl.**

I've hurt my...

**Ich habe mir an / am ... wehgetan.**

I'm going to be sick.

**Ich muss mich übergeben.**

I need to see a doctor/go to hospital.

**Ich muss zum Arzt gehen / ins Krankenhaus.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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What's wrong?

**Was ist Ihr Problem?**

Where does it hurt?

**Wo tut es Ihnen weh?**

## VOCABULARY

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patient

**der Patient / die Patientin**

pain

**der Schmerz**

illness

**die Krankheit**

mental health

**die geistige Gesundheit**

hospital

**das Krankenhaus**

treatment

**die Behandlung**

health insurance

**die Krankenversicherung**

social security card

**die Sozialversicherungskarte**

healthy

**gesund**

to recover

**sich erholen**

to look after

**sich um ... kümmern**

to treat

**behandeln**



doctor  
**der Arzt / die Ärztin**



pharmacist  
**der Apotheker / die Apothekerin**



pharmacy  
**die Apotheke**

# THE BODY | DER KÖRPER

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## VOCABULARY

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throat  
**der Hals**

armpit  
**die Achsel**

genitals  
**die Geschlechtsorgane *ntpl***

breast  
**die Brust**

eyelash  
**die Wimper**

eyebrow  
**die Augenbraue**

eyelid  
**das Augenlid**

earlobe  
**das Ohrläppchen**

nostrils  
**die Nasenlöcher *ntpl***

lips  
**die Lippen *fpl***

tongue

**die Zunge**

(body) hair

**die Körperbehaarung**

height

**die Größe**

weight

**das Gewicht**

BMI

**der BMI**

sense of hearing

**das Gehör**

sense of sight

**das Sehvermögen**

sense of smell

**der Geruchssinn**

sense of taste

**der Geschmack**

sense of touch

**der Tastsinn**

balance

**das Gleichgewicht**

to see

**sehen**

to smell

**riechen**

to hear

**hören**

to touch

**berühren**

to taste

**schmecken**

to lose one's balance

**das Gleichgewicht verlieren**

### **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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In German, possessive adjectives (for example, *my, his, their*) are not often used to refer to one's body parts; reflexive verbs are used instead. For instance, "I washed my hands" translates as "Ich habe mir die Hände gewaschen".

**BODY – FRONT**

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1. head  
**der Kopf**

2. neck  
**der Hals**

3. chest  
**der Brustkorb**

4. abdomen  
**der Unterleib**

5. thigh  
**der Oberschenkel**

6. knee  
**das Knie**

7. shin  
**das Schienbein**

8. face  
**das Gesicht**

9. arm  
**der Arm**

10. hand  
**die Hand**

11. leg  
**das Bein**

12. foot  
**der Fuß**

**BODY – BACK**

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1. shoulder  
**die Schulter**

2. back  
**der Rücken**

3. buttocks  
**das Gesäß**

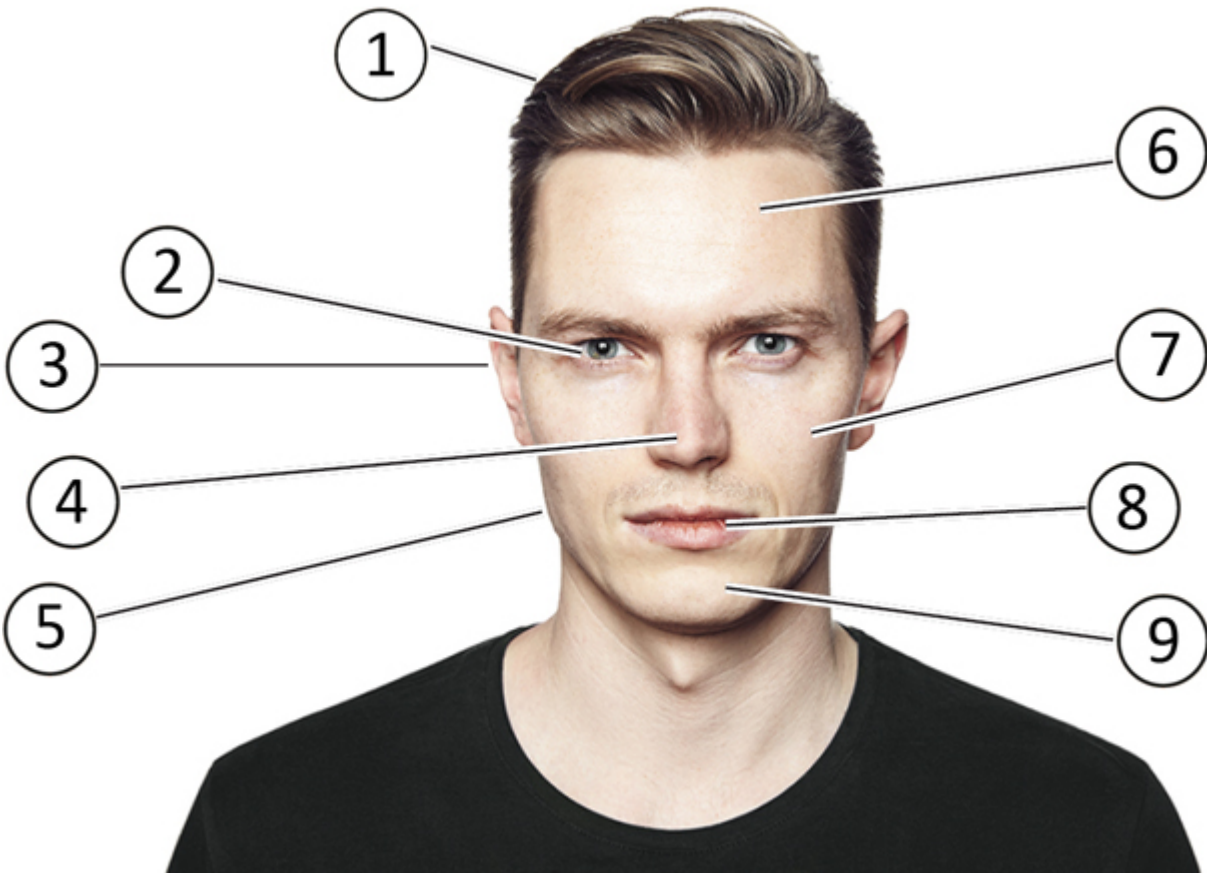
4. elbow  
**der Ellbogen**

5. hip  
**die Hüfte**

6. calf  
**die Wade**

## FACE

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1. hair  
**das Haar**

2. eye  
**das Auge**

3. ear  
**das Ohr**

4. nose  
**die Nase**

5. jaw  
**der Kiefer**

6. forehead  
**die Stirn**

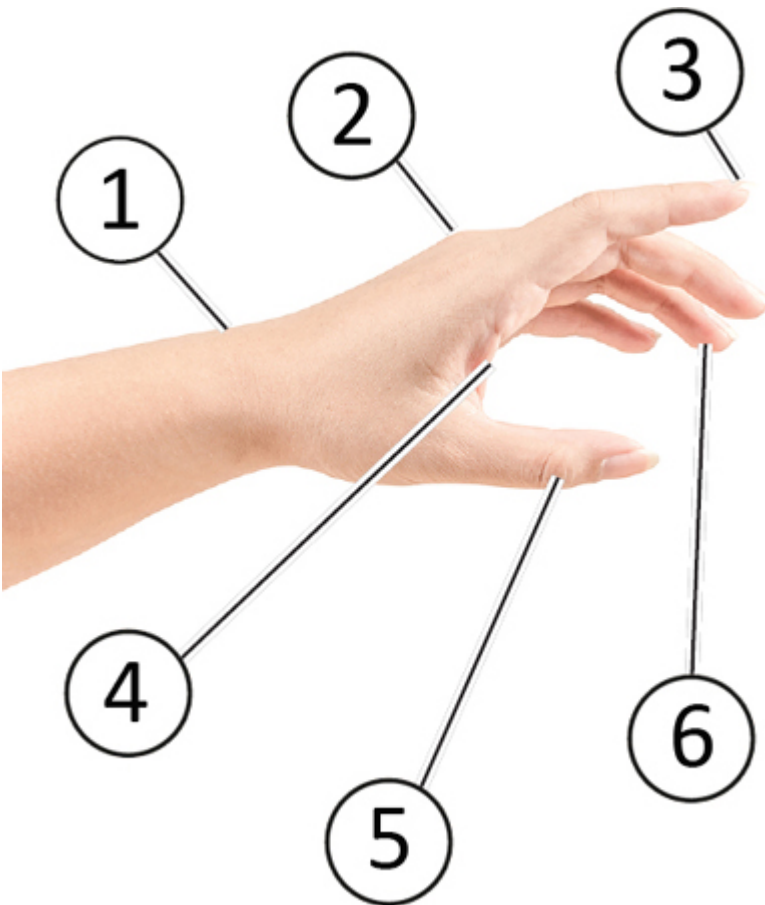
7. cheek  
**die Wange**

8. mouth  
**der Mund**

9. chin  
**das Kinn**

# HAND

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1. wrist  
**das Handgelenk**

2. knuckle  
**der Fingerknöchel**

3. fingernail  
**der Fingernagel**

4. palm  
**die Handfläche**

5. thumb  
**der Daumen**



6. finger  
**der Finger**

**FOOT**

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1. big toe  
**der große Zeh**

2. toe  
**der Zeh**

3. sole  
**die Sohle**

4. heel  
**die Ferse**

5. toenail  
**der Zehennagel**

6. ankle  
**der Fußknöchel**

# THE SKELETON | DAS SKELETT

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Hopefully this is not vocabulary you will need very often, but it is useful to have the necessary terminology at your disposal should the need arise.

## VOCABULARY

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organ  
**das Organ**

brain  
**das Gehirn**

heart  
**das Herz**

lung  
**die Lunge**

liver  
**die Leber**

stomach  
**der Magen**

kidney  
**die Niere**

intestines  
**die Därme** *mpl*

digestive system  
**das Verdauungssystem**

respiratory system  
**das Atmungssystem**

bladder  
**die Blase**

blood  
**das Blut**

joint  
**das Gelenk**

bone  
**der Knochen**

muscle  
**der Muskel**

tendon  
**die Sehne**

tissue  
**das Gewebe**

ligament  
**das Band**

cell  
**die Zelle**

nerve  
**der Nerv**

artery  
**die Arterie**

vein  
**die Vene**

oxygen  
**der Sauerstoff**

### **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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As in English, parts of the body often feature in common German expressions, for example:

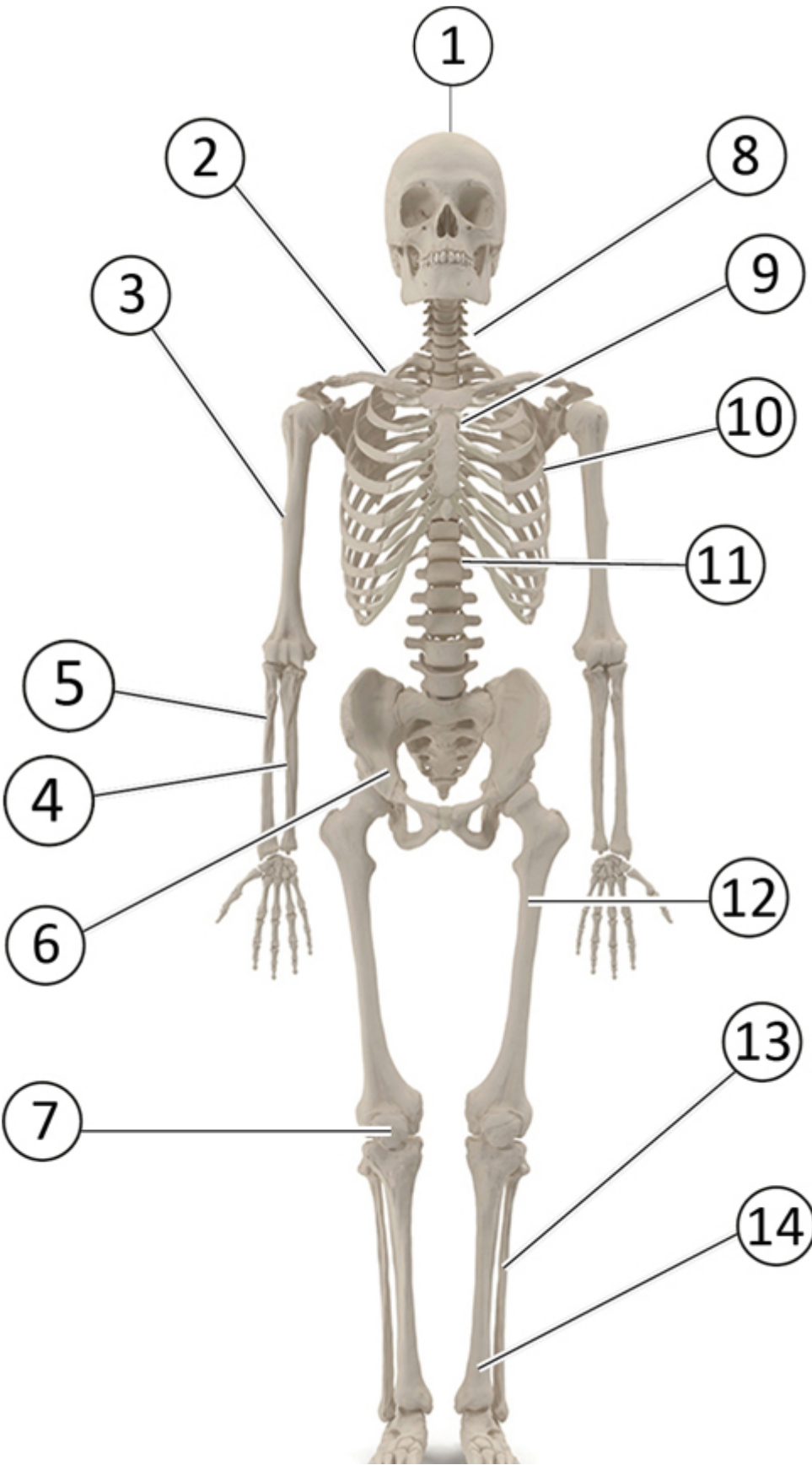
“auf großem Fuß leben” meaning “to live in style” (literally: to live on a big foot)

“in den falschen Hals bekommen” meaning “to take something the wrong way” (literally: to get into the wrong throat)

“in die Hände spucken” meaning “to roll up one’s sleeves” (literally: to spit into one’s hands).

**SKELETON**

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1. skull  
**der Schädel**
2. collarbone  
**das Schlüsselbein**
3. humerus  
**der Humerus**
4. radius  
**der Radius**
5. ulna  
**die Elle**
6. pelvis  
**das Becken**
7. kneecap  
**die Kniescheibe**
8. vertebrae  
**die Wirbelsäule *fpl***
9. breastbone  
**das Brustbein**
10. ribs  
**die Rippen *fpl***
11. spine  
**die Wirbelsäule**
12. femur  
**der Femur**



13. fibula  
**das Wadenbein**

14. tibia  
**das Schienbein**

# INJURY | DIE VERLETZUNG

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Can you help me?

**Können Sie mir helfen?**

Can you call an ambulance?

**Können Sie den Rettungsdienst rufen?**

I've had an accident.

**Ich hatte einen Unfall.**

I've hurt my...

**Ich habe mir an / am ... wehgetan.**

I've broken/sprained my ankle.

**Ich habe mir den Knöchel gebrochen / verstaucht.**

I've burnt/cut myself.

**Ich habe mich verbrannt / geschnitten.**

I've hit my head.

**Ich habe mir den Kopf angestoßen.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Do you feel faint?

**Fühlen Sie sich schwach?**

Do you feel sick?

**Müssen Sie sich übergeben?**

I'm calling an ambulance.

**Ich rufe den Rettungsdienst.**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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In Germany, you need a doctor to confirm that you require an ambulance service or a patient transportation vehicle for travel to non-emergency medical appointments. Without a "Transportschein", you will be billed personally for ambulance costs.

## **VOCABULARY**

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paramedic

**der Sanitäter / die Sanitäterin**

accident

**der Unfall**

concussion

**die Gehirnerschütterung**

fall

**der Sturz**

dislocation

**die Verrenkung**

sprain

**die Verstauchung**

scar

**die Narbe**

whiplash

**das Schleudertrauma**

swelling

**die Schwellung**

recovery position  
**die stabile Seitenlage**

CPR  
**die HLW**

to be unconscious  
**bewusstlos sein**

to injure oneself  
**sich verletzen**

to fall  
**fallen**

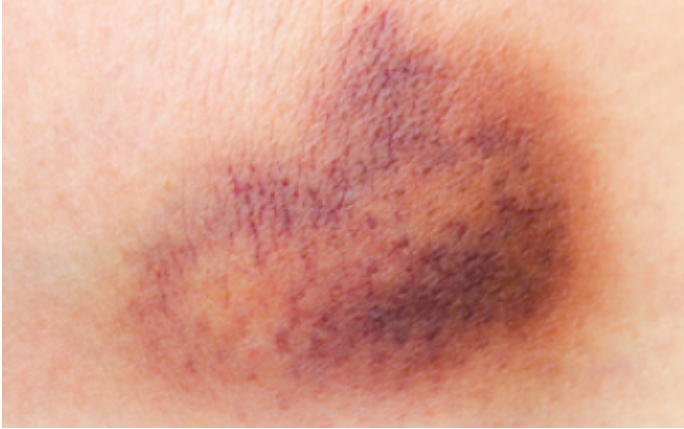
to break one's arm  
**sich den Arm brechen**

## **INJURIES**

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blister  
**die Blase**



bruise  
**der blaue Fleck**



burn  
**die Verbrennung**



cut  
**die Schnittverletzung**



fracture  
**der Bruch**



graze  
**die Schürfwunde**



splinter  
**der Splitter**



sting  
**der Stich**



sunburn  
**der Sonnenbrand**

## **FIRST AID**

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bandage  
**der Verband**





dressung  
**die Wundauflage**



first-aid kit  
**der Verbandkasten**



ice pack  
**der Eisbeutel**



neck brace  
**die Halskrause**



ointment  
**die Salbe**



plaster  
**das Pflaster**



sling  
**die Schlinge**



tweezers  
**die Pinzette**

# ILLNESS | DIE KRANKHEIT

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I have a cold/the flu.

**Ich habe eine Erkältung / die Grippe.**

I have a sore stomach/rash.

**Ich habe Bauchschmerzen / einen Hautausschlag.**

I feel faint/shivery.

**Ich fühle mich schwach / fiebrig.**

I feel dizzy.

**Mir ist schwindlig.**

I'm going to be sick.

**Ich muss mich übergeben.**

I'm asthmatic/diabetic.

**Ich habe Asthma / Diabetes.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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You should go to the pharmacy/ doctor.

**Sie sollten zur Apotheke / zum Arzt gehen.**

You need to rest.

**Sie müssen sich ausruhen.**

Do you need anything?

**Brauchen Sie etwas?**

Take care of yourself.

**Schonen Sie sich.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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heart attack  
**der Herzinfarkt**

stroke  
**der Schlaganfall**

infection  
**die Infektion**

ear infection  
**die Ohrenentzündung**

virus  
**das Virus**

cold  
**die Erkältung**

flu  
**die Grippe**

chicken pox  
**die Windpocken *fpl***

stomach bug  
**das Magen-Darm-Problem**

food poisoning  
**die Lebensmittelvergiftung**

vomiting  
**das Erbrechen**

diarrhoea

**der Durchfall**

constipation

**die Verstopfung**

diabetes

**der Diabetes**

epilepsy

**die Epilepsie**

asthma

**das Asthma**

dizziness

**die Schwindligkeit**

inhaler

**der Inhalator**

period pain

**die Regelschmerzen *mpl***

to have high/low blood pressure

**hohen / niedrigen Blutdruck haben**

to cough

**husten**

to sneeze

**niesen**

to vomit

**sich übergeben**

to faint

**in Ohnmacht fallen**



coughing  
**das Husten**



fainting  
**der Ohnmachtsanfall**





fever  
**das Fieber**



itching  
**der Juckreiz**



nausea  
**die Übelkeit**



rash  
**der Ausschlag**



runny nose  
**eine laufende Nase**



sneezing  
**das Niesen**

## THE DOCTOR'S SURGERY | BEIM ARZT

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When attending a doctor's appointment, you will need to provide valid social security or insurance details, as well as ID.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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I'd like to make an appointment.

**Ich möchte einen Termin vereinbaren.**

I have an appointment with Dr...

**Ich habe einen Termin mit Doktor...**

I'm allergic to...

**Ich bin allergisch gegen...**

I take medication for...

**Ich nehme Medikamente für...**

I've been feeling unwell.

**Ich fühle mich unwohl.**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Your appointment is at...

**Ihr Termin ist um ... Uhr.**

The doctor will call you through.

**Der Arzt wird Sie aufrufen.**

What are your symptoms?

**Welche Symptome haben Sie?**

May I examine you?

**Kann ich Sie untersuchen?**

Tell me if that hurts.

**Tut das weh?**

Do you have any allergies?

**Leiden Sie an Allergien?**

Do you take any medication?

**Nehmen Sie Medikamente ein?**

You need to see a specialist.

**Sie müssen sich an einen Spezialisten wenden.**

## **VOCABULARY**

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appointment

**der Termin**

clinic

**die Klinik**

examination

**die Untersuchung**

test

**der Test**

antibiotics

**die Antibiotika *ntpl***

the pill

**die Pille**

sleeping pill

**die Schlaftablette**

prescription  
**das Rezept**

home visit  
**der Hausbesuch**

vaccination  
**die Impfung**

medication  
**die Medikamente** *npl*

to make an appointment  
**einen Termin vereinbaren**

to examine  
**untersuchen**

to be on medication  
**Medikamente einnehmen**



blood pressure monitor  
**das Blutdruckmessgerät**



examination room  
**der Untersuchungsraum**



examination table  
**der Untersuchungstisch**



GP  
**der Hausarzt / die Hausärztin**



practice nurse  
**der Arzthelfer / die Arzthelferin**

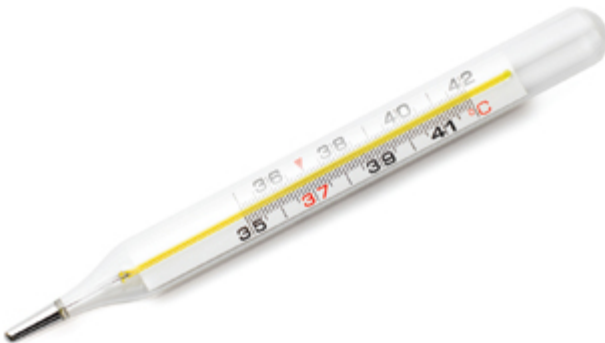




stethoscope  
**das Stethoskop**



syringe  
**die Spritze**



thermometer  
**das Thermometer**



waiting room  
das **Wartezimmer**

# THE DENTIST'S SURGERY | BEIM ZAHNARZT

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Can I book an emergency appointment?

**Könnte ich einen Nottermin haben?**

I have toothache/an abscess.

**Ich habe Zahnschmerzen / einen Abszess.**

My filling has come out.

**Meine Füllung ist herausgefallen.**

I've broken my tooth.

**Ich habe mir einen Zahn gebrochen.**

My dentures are broken.

**Mein Zahnersatz ist kaputt.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Unfortunately, we don't have any emergency appointments available.

**Wir haben leider keinen verfügbaren Nottermin mehr.**

You need a new filling.

**Sie brauchen eine neue Füllung.**

Your tooth needs to be taken out.

**Dieser Zahn muss gezogen werden.**

## VOCABULARY

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molar

**der Backenzahn**

incisor

**der Schneidezahn**

canine

**der Eckzahn**

wisdom teeth

**die Weisheitszähne** *mpl*

filling

**die Füllung**

crown

**die Krone**

root canal treatment

**die Wurzelbehandlung**

toothache

**die Zahnschmerzen** *mpl*

abscess

**der Abszess**

extraction

**das Zahnziehen**

to brush one's teeth

**sich die Zähne putzen**

to floss

**mit Zahnseide reinigen**



braces  
**die Zahnspange**



dental floss  
**die Zahnseide**



dental nurse  
**der Zahnarzt Helfer / die Zahnarzhelferin**



dentist  
**der Zahnarzt / die Zahnärztin**



dentist's chair  
**der Zahnarztstuhl**



dentist's drill  
**der Bohrer**



dentures  
**der Zahnersatz**



gums  
**das Zahnfleisch**





mouthwash  
**das Mundwasser**



teeth  
**die Zähne** *mpl*



toothbrush  
**die Zahnbürste**



toothpaste  
**die Zahnpasta**

## THE OPTICIAN'S | BEIM OPTIKER

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Eye tests in Germany are carried out by opticians or ophthalmologists; the latter will provide you with a prescription to take to an optician.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Can I book an appointment?  
**Kann ich eine Termin vereinbaren?**

My eyes are dry/sore.  
**Meine Augen sind trocken / entzündet.**

Do you repair glasses?  
**Reparieren Sie Brillen?**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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Your appointment is at...  
**Ihr Termin ist um ... Uhr.**

Look up/down/ahead.  
**Schauen Sie nach oben / nach unten / geradeaus.**

Do you already wear glasses?  
**Tragen Sie schon eine Brille?**

### VOCABULARY

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ophthalmologist  
**der Augenarzt / die Augenärztin**

reading glasses  
**die Lesebrille**

bifocals  
**die Bifokalbrille**

hard/soft contact lenses  
**die harten / weichen Kontaktlinsen *fpl***

lens  
**die Linse**

conjunctivitis  
**die Bindehautentzündung**

stye  
**das Gerstenkorn**

blurred vision  
**das verschwommene Sehen**

short-sighted  
**kurzsichtig**

long-sighted  
**weitsichtig**

visually impaired  
**sehbehindert**

blind  
**blind**

colour-blind  
**farbblind**

to wear glasses  
**eine Brille tragen**

to use contacts  
**Kontaktlinsen tragen**



contact lenses  
**die Kontaktlinsen** *fpl*



contact lens case  
**der Kontaktlinsenbehälter**



eye chart  
**die Sehtesttafel**



eye drops  
**die Augentropfen *mpl***



eye test  
**der Sehtest**



frames  
**das Brillengestell**



glasses  
**die Brille**



glasses case  
**das Brillenetui**



optician  
**der Optiker / die Optikerin**



# THE HOSPITAL | IM KRANKENHAUS

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There are both public and private hospitals and clinics in Germany. Some private clinics are for patients who are able to pay for themselves, so make sure your expenses will be covered by your insurance.

## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Which ward is he/she in?  
**Auf welcher Station ist er / sie?**

What are the visiting hours?  
**Wann sind die Besuchszeiten?**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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He/She is in ward...  
**Er / Sie ist auf Station...**

Visiting hours are from ... to...  
**Besuchszeiten sind von ... bis...**

## VOCABULARY

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hospital  
**das Krankenhaus**

A&E  
**die Notaufnahme**

ambulance

**der Rettungswagen**

public/private hospital

**das öffentliche / private Krankenhaus**

nurse

**der Krankenpfleger / die Krankenschwester**

physiotherapist

**der Physiotherapeut / die Physiotherapeutin**

radiographer

**der Röntgenassistent / die Röntgenassistentin**

surgeon

**der Chirurg / die Chirurgin**

operation

**die Operation**

CT/MRI scan

**die CT- / MRT-Untersuchung**

intensive care

**die Intensivstation**

diagnosis

**die Diagnose**

pulse

**der Puls**

to take his/her pulse

**den Puls fühlen**

to undergo surgery

**operiert werden**

to be admitted/ discharged

**eingeliefert / entlassen werden**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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The phone numbers for the emergency services in Germany are: 110 for police and 112 for fire brigade and medical emergencies. 112 is the Universal European Emergency Services number – it will connect you to the appropriate emergency service.



crutches  
**die Krücken *fpl***



drip  
**der Tropf**



hospital bed  
**das Krankenbett**



monitor  
**der Monitor**



operating theatre  
**der Operationssaal**



oxygen mask  
**die Sauerstoffmaske**



plaster cast  
**der Gipsverband**



stitches  
**die Stiche** *mpl*



ward  
**die Station**



wheelchair  
**der Rollstuhl**



X-ray  
**das Röntgenbild**



Zimmer frame®  
**der Rollator**



# **PREGNANCY | DIE SCHWANGERSCHAFT**

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If you plan to have your baby in Germany, you must consult a gynaecologist who will be your principal contact during the pregnancy, as well as a midwife who will advise you on both traditional and modern ways to give birth. If you are travelling while pregnant, make sure you have appropriate travel insurance in place.

## **YOU MIGHT SAY...**

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I'm (six months) pregnant.

**Ich bin (sechs Monate) schwanger.**

My partner/wife is pregnant.

**Meine Partnerin / Frau ist schwanger.**

I'm/She's having contractions every ... minutes.

**Die Wehen kommen alle ... Minuten.**

My/Her waters have broken.

**Die Fruchtblase ist geplatzt.**

I need an epidural.

**Ich brauche eine Epiduralanästhesie.**

## **YOU MIGHT HEAR...**

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How far along are you?

**Wie viele Monate sind Sie schwanger?**

How long is it between contractions?

**Wie viele Minuten sind es zwischen den Wehen?**

May I examine you?  
**Kann ich Sie untersuchen?**

Push!  
**Pressen!**

## **VOCABULARY**

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pregnant woman  
**die Schwangere**

newborn  
**das Neugeborene**

foetus  
**der Fötus**

uterus  
**die Gebärmutter**

cervix  
**der Gebärmutterhals**

umbilical cord  
**die Nabelschnur**

epidural  
**die Epiduralanästhesie**

gas and air  
**die Blähungen *fpl***

labour  
**die Wehen *fpl***

delivery  
**die Geburt**

Caesarean section  
**der Kaiserschnitt**

miscarriage  
**die Fehlgeburt**

stillborn  
**tot geboren**

due date  
**der Geburtstermin**

morning sickness  
**die Schwangerschaftsübelkeit**

to fall pregnant  
**schwanger werden**

to be in labour  
**in den Wehen liegen**

to give birth  
**ein Kind zur Welt bringen**

to miscarry  
**eine Fehlgeburt haben**

to breast-feed  
**stillen**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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A full-term pregnancy in Germany is classed as 40 weeks and 6 days, as opposed to 39 weeks and 6 days. It is also common for parents to find out the baby's sex before birth, so let your health professionals know if you'd prefer a surprise!

## GENERAL

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incubator  
**der Inkubator**



labour suite  
**der Kreißsaal**



midwife  
**die Hebamme**



pregnancy test  
**der Schwangerschaftstest**



sonographer  
der **Ultraschall**diagnostiker / die **Ultraschall**diagnostikerin



ultrasound  
der **Ultraschall**

# ALTERNATIVE THERAPIES | ALTERNATIVE THERAPIEN

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Alternative therapies are popular in Germany, but costs are not covered in the same way by all health insurance companies. It is therefore worth researching which treatments can be covered by standard insurance.

## VOCABULARY

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therapist  
**der Therapeut / die Therapeutin**

masseur  
**der Masseur**

masseuse  
**die Masseurin**

chiropractor  
**der Chiropraktor / die Chiropraktorin**

acupuncturist  
**der Akupunkteur / die Akupunkteurin**

reflexologist  
**der Reflexologe / die Reflexologin**

remedy  
**das Heilmittel**

reiki  
**Reiki**

mindfulness  
**die Achtsamkeit**

to relax  
**sich entspannen**

to massage  
**massieren**

to meditate  
**meditieren**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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Homeopathy is more widely accepted by the German healthcare system than in the UK, and it is possible to find a wide range of homeopathic remedies in German pharmacies.

## **GENERAL**

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essential oil  
**das ätherische Öl**





herbal medicine  
**die Pflanzenheilkunde**



homeopathy  
**die Homöopathie**

## THERAPIES

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acupuncture  
**die Akupunktur**



chiropractic  
**die Chiropraktik**



hypnotherapy  
**die Hypnotherapie**



massage  
**die Massage**



meditation  
**die Meditation**



osteopathy  
**die Osteopathie**



reflexology  
**die Reflexzonenmassage**



thalassotherapy  
**die Thalassotherapie**



traditional Chinese medicine  
**die traditionelle chinesische Medizin**

## THE VET | BEIM TIERARZT

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If you are travelling to Germany with your pet, it must be microchipped and vaccinated against rabies, and have a pet passport. Dogs must get a tapeworm treatment from a vet 12-24 hours before returning to the UK.

### YOU MIGHT SAY...

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My dog has been hurt/sick.

**Mein Hund ist verletzt worden / hat sich übergeben.**

### YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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What's the problem?

**Was ist das Problem?**

Is your pet microchipped?

**Hat Ihr Tier einen Chip?**

### YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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Most holiday properties in Germany accept pets; however be aware that dogs are not permitted in certain public areas, including some beaches.

### VOCABULARY

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veterinary clinic

**die Tierklinik**

vet

**der Tierarzt / die Tierärztin**

pet  
**das Haustier**

flea  
**der Floh**

tick  
**die Zecke**

tapeworm treatment  
**die Bandwurm-Behandlung**

pet passport  
**der Heimtierausweis**

quarantine  
**die Quarantäne**

to go to the vet  
**zum Tierarzt gehen**

to microchip  
**mit einem Mikrochip versehen**

to spay/neuter  
**sterilisieren / kastrieren**

to put to sleep  
**einschläfern**





E-collar  
**der Elisabeth-Kragen**



flea collar  
**das Flohhalsband**

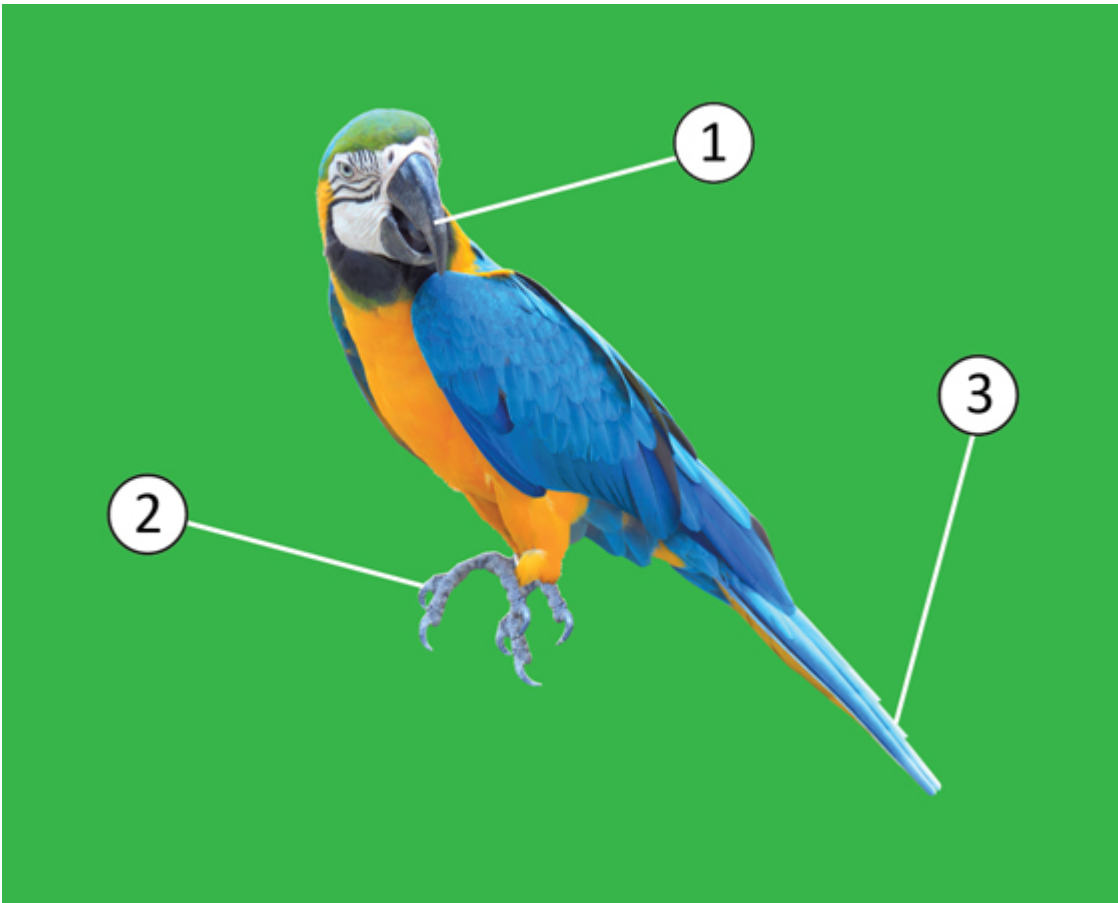


pet carrier  
**die Transportbox**

## PLANET EARTH | DIE ERDE

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Germany has varied, colourful and dramatic landscapes that make it a fantastic place to explore for anyone who loves the great outdoors, as well as offering a wealth of biodiversity. There are almost 200,000 km of trails and footpaths that criss-cross the country, offering walkers a chance to discover the German countryside for themselves. Numerous nature reserves and natural marine parks can be found throughout the country.



parrot  
**der Papagei**

1. beak  
**der Schnabel**

2. claw  
**die Kralle**

3. tail  
**der Schwanz**

# THE BASICS | DAS WESENTLICHE

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## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Is there a park/nature reserve nearby?

**Gibt es in der Nähe einen Park / ein Naturschutzgebiet?**

What is the scenery like?

**Wie ist die Landschaft?**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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The scenery is beautiful/rugged.

**Die Landschaft ist wunderschön / wild.**

I'd recommend visiting...

**Ich empfehle Ihnen ... zu besuchen.**

## VOCABULARY

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animal

**das Tier**

species

**die Spezies**

mammal

**das Säugetier**

reptile

**das Reptil**

amphibian

**die Amphibie**

rodent

**das Nagetier**

insect

**das Insekt**

nature reserve

**das Naturschutzgebiet**

scenery

**die Landschaft**

zoo

**der Zoo**

fur

**das Fell**

wool

**die Wolle**

paw

**die Pfote**

hoof

**der Huf**

snout

**die Schnauze**

mane

**die Mähne**

tail

**der Schwanz**

claw

**die Kralle**

horn

**das Horn**

feather

**die Feder**

wing

**der Flügel**

beak

**der Schnabel**

cold-blooded

**kaltblütig**

warm-blooded

**warmblütig**

to bark

**bellen**

to purr

**schnurren**

to growl

**knurren**

to roar

**brüllen**

to chirp

**zwitschern**

to buzz

**summen**

# DOMESTIC ANIMALS AND BIRDS | HAUSTIERE UND VÖGEL

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Although Germany has the highest ratio of pet ownership in Europe, you should make sure that your pet is allowed to come with you to your hotel or restaurant. You can consult several websites on pet-friendly accommodation. Some public areas, like parks and beaches, may be off-limits for dogs.

## YOU MIGHT SAY...

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Do you have any pets?  
**Haben Sie Haustiere?**

Is it OK to bring my pet?  
**Kann ich mein Haustier mitbringen?**

This is my guide dog/assistance dog.  
**Das ist mein Blindenhund / Assistenzhund.**

## YOU MIGHT HEAR...

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I have/don't have a pet.  
**Ich habe ein / kein Haustier.**

I'm allergic to pet hair.  
**Ich bin allergisch gegen Tierhaar.**

Animals are/are not allowed.  
**Tiere sind / sind nicht erlaubt.**

## VOCABULARY

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fish food  
**das Fischfutter**

cat litter  
**die Katzenstreu**

farmer  
**der Bauer / die Bäuerin**

farm  
**der Bauernhof**

barn  
**die Scheune**

hay  
**das Heu**

straw  
**das Stroh**

meadow  
**die Wiese**

herd/flock  
**die Herde**

puppy  
**der Welpe**

kitten  
**das Kätzchen**

calf  
**das Kalb**

lamb  
**das Lamm**

foal  
**das Fohlen**

guide dog  
**der Blindenhund**

to have a pet  
**ein Haustier haben**

to walk the dog  
**den Hund ausführen**

to farm  
**eine Farm betreiben**

## **PETS**

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budgerigar  
**der Wellensittich**



canary  
**der Kanarienvogel**



cat  
**die Katze**



dog  
**der Hund**



ferret  
**das Frettchen**



goldfish  
**der Goldfisch**



guinea pig  
**das Meerschweinchen**



hamster  
**der Hamster**



parrot  
**der Papagei**



pony  
**das Pony**



rabbit  
**das Kaninchen**



rat  
**die Ratte**

## **FARM ANIMALS**

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bull  
**der Stier**

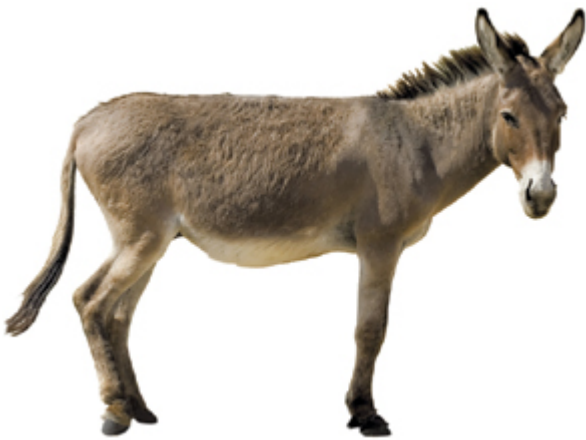


chicken  
**das Huhn**





COW  
**die Kuh**



donkey  
**der Esel**



duck  
**die Ente**



goat  
**die Ziege**



goose  
**die Gans**



horse  
**das Pferd**



pig  
**das Schwein**



sheep  
**das Schaf**



sheepdog  
**der Schäferhund**



turkey  
**der Truthahn**

## GENERAL

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aquarium  
**das Aquarium**



cage  
**der Käfig**



catflap  
**die Katzenklappe**



collar  
**das Halsband**



dog basket  
**der Hundekorb**



hutch  
**der Kaninchenstall**



kennel  
**die Hundehütte**



lead  
**die Leine**





litter tray  
**das Katzenklo**



muzzle  
**der Maulkorb**



pet food  
**das Tierfutter**



stable  
**der Stall**

# AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES | AMPHIBIEN UND REPTILIEN

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alligator  
**der Alligator**



crocodile  
**das Krokodil**



frog  
**der Frosch**



gecko  
**der Gecko**



iguana  
**der Leguan**



lizard  
**die Eidechse**



newt  
**der Wassermolch**



salamander  
**der Salamander**



snake  
**die Schlange**



toad  
**die Kröte**



tortoise  
**die Schildkröte**



turtle  
**die Wasserschildkröte**

# MAMMALS | SÄUGETIERE

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badger  
**der Dachs**



bat  
**die Fledermaus**



boar  
**das Wildschwein**



deer  
**das Reh**





fox  
**der Fuchs**



hare  
**der Hase**



hedgehog  
**der Igel**



mole  
**der Maulwurf**



mouse  
**die Maus**



otter  
**der Otter**



squirrel  
**das Eichhörnchen**



wolf  
**der Wolf**

## OTHER COMMON MAMMALS

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bear  
**der Bär**



camel  
**das Dromedar**



chimpanzee  
**der Schimpanse**



elephant  
**der Elefant**



giraffe  
**die Giraffe**



gorilla  
**der Gorilla**



hippopotamus  
**das Nilpferd**



kangaroo  
**das Känguruh**





lion  
**der Löwe**



monkey  
**der Affe**



rhinoceros  
**das Nashorn**



tiger  
**der Tiger**

## BIRDS | VÖGEL

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blackbird  
**die Amsel**



buzzard  
**der Bussard**



crane  
**der Kranich**



crow  
**der Rabe**



dove  
**die Taube**



eagle  
**der Adler**



finch  
**der Fink**



flamingo  
**der Flamingo**



gull  
**die Möwe**



heron  
**der Reiher**



kingfisher  
**der Eisvogel**



lark  
**die Lerche**



ostrich  
**der Strauß**





owl  
**die Eule**



peacock  
**der Pfau**



pelican  
**der Pelikan**



penguin  
**der Pinguin**



pigeon  
**die Taube**



puffin  
**der Papageitaucher**



robin  
**das Rotkehlchen**



sparrow  
**der Spatz**



stork  
**der Storch**



swan  
**der Schwan**



thrush  
**die Drossel**

# MINIBEASTS | GLIEDERFÜßER

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## VOCABULARY

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swarm  
**der Schwarm**

colony  
**die Kolonie**

cobweb  
**das Spinnennetz**

insect bite  
**der Stich**

to buzz  
**summen**

to sting  
**stechen**



ant  
**die Ameise**



bee  
**die Biene**



beetle  
**der Käfer**



butterfly  
**der Schmetterling**



caterpillar  
**die Raupe**





centipede  
**der Tausendfüßler**



cockroach  
**die Küchenschabe**



cricket  
**die Grille**



dragonfly  
**die Libelle**



earthworm  
**der Regenwurm**



fly  
**die Fliege**



grasshopper  
**die Heuschrecke**



ladybird  
**der Marienkäfer**



mayfly  
**die Eintagsfliege**



mosquito  
**die Stechmücke**



moth  
**die Motte**



slug  
**die Nacktschnecke**



snail  
**die Schnecke**



spider  
**die Spinne**



wasp  
**die Wespe**



woodlouse  
**die Kellerassel**

# MARINE CREATURES | MEERESTIERE

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coral  
**die Koralle**



crab  
**die Krabbe**





dolphin  
**der Delphin**



eel  
**der Aal**



jellyfish  
**die Qualle**



killer whale  
**der Schwertwal**



lobster  
**der Hummer**



seal  
**der Seehund**



sea urchin  
**der Seeigel**



shark  
**der Hai**



starfish  
**der Seestern**



whale  
**der Wal**

# FLOWERS, PLANTS, AND TREES | BLUMEN, PFLANZEN UND BÄUME

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## VOCABULARY

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stalk  
**der Stiel**

leaf  
**das Blatt**

petal  
**das Blütenblatt**

pollen  
**der Pollen**

grass  
**das Gras**

bud  
**die Knospe**

bulb  
**die Blumenzwiebel**

wood  
**das Holz**

branch  
**der Zweig**

trunk  
**der Baumstamm**

bark  
**die Borke**

root  
**die Wurzel**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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In Germany, white flowers are generally funeral flowers, red is for love, and yellow and orange flowers mean the joy of life.

## **FLOWERS**

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buttercup  
**die Butterblume**



carnation  
**die Nelke**



chrysanthemum  
**die Chrysantheme**



daffodil  
**die Osterglocke**



daisy  
**das Gänseblümchen**





dandelion  
**der Löwenzahn**



edelweiss  
**das Edelweiß**



hyacinth  
**die Hyazinthe**



iris  
**die Iris**



lily  
**die Lilie**



lily-of-the-valley  
**das Maiglöckchen**



orchid  
**die Orchidee**



pansy  
**das Stiefmütterchen**



poppy  
**die Mohnblume**



rose  
**die Rose**



sunflower  
**die Sonnenblume**



tulip  
**die Tulpe**



violet  
**das Veilchen**

## **PLANTS AND TREES**

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chestnut  
**die Kastanie**



cypress  
**die Zypresse**



fir  
**die Tanne**





fungus  
der Pilz



grapevine  
der Weinstock



ivy  
der Efeu



moss  
**das Moos**



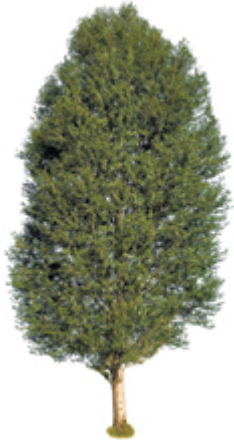
oak  
**die Eiche**



pine  
**die Kiefer**



plane  
**die Platane**



poplar  
**die Pappel**



willow  
**die Weide**

# LAND, SEA, AND SKY | LAND, MEER UND HIMMEL

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## VOCABULARY

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landscape  
**die Landschaft**

soil  
**die Erde**

mud  
**der Schlamm**

water  
**das Wasser**

estuary  
**die Mündung**

air  
**die Luft**

atmosphere  
**die Atmosphäre**

comet  
**der Komet**

sunrise  
**der Sonnenaufgang**

sunset  
**der Sonnenuntergang**

rural  
**ländlich**

urban  
**städtisch**

polar  
**Polar-**

alpine  
**alpin**

tropical  
**tropisch**

**LAND**

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cave  
**die Höhle**



desert  
**die Wüste**



farmland  
**das Ackerland**



forest  
**der Wald**



glacier  
**der Gletscher**





grassland  
**das Grasland**



hill  
**der Hügel**



lake  
**der See**



marsh  
**der Sumpf**



mountain  
**der Berg**



pond  
**der Teich**



river  
**der Fluss**



rocks  
**das Gestein**



scrub  
das **Buschland**



stream  
der **Bach**



valley  
**das Tal**



volcano  
**der Vulkan**



waterfall  
**der Wasserfall**

## **SEA**

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cliff  
**die Klippe**



coast  
**die Küste**



coral reef  
**das Korallenriff**



island  
**die Insel**





peninsula  
**die Halbinsel**



rockpool  
**der Gezeitentümpel**

# SKY

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aurora  
**das Polarlicht**



clouds  
**die Wolken *fpl***



moon  
**der Mond**



rainbow  
**der Regenbogen**



stars  
**die Sterne** *mpl*

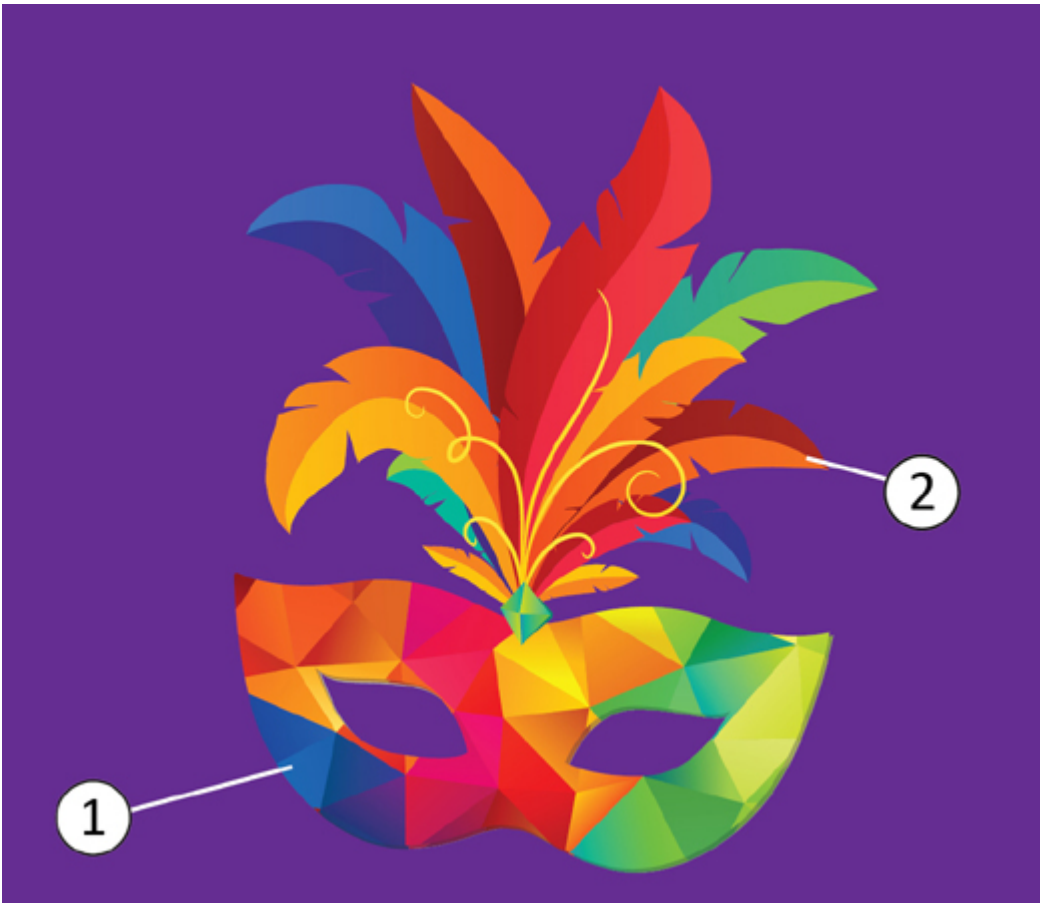


sun  
**die Sonne**

## **CELEBRATIONS AND FESTIVALS | FESTE UND FESTTAGE**

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“Lasst uns feiern!” Everyone loves having a reason to get together and celebrate. In Germany this usually means great food, the company of family and friends, and quite possibly a glass of champagne or Sekt. There is also a wealth of German customs and traditions associated with the various holidays and festivals throughout the year.



costume  
**das Kostüm**

1. mask  
**die Maske**

2. feather  
**die Feder**

# THE BASICS | DAS WESENTLICHE

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## YOU MIGHT SAY/HEAR...

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Congratulations!

**Gratuliere!**

Well done!

**Bravo!**

Cheers!

**Prost!**

Happy birthday!

**Herzlichen Glückwunsch zum Geburtstag!**

Happy anniversary!

**Herzlichen Glückwunsch zum Hochzeitstag!**

Best wishes.

**Meine allerbesten Wünsche.**

Thank you.

**Vielen Dank.**

You're very kind.

**Das ist sehr nett von Ihnen.**

Cheers to you, too!

**Gleichfalls!**

## VOCABULARY

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occasion

## **die Gelegenheit**

birthday

**der Geburtstag**

wedding

**die Hochzeit**

wedding anniversary

**der Hochzeitstag**

public holiday

**der Feiertag**

religious holiday

**der religiöse Feiertag**

celebration

**die Feier**

surprise party

**die Überraschungsparty**

good/bad news

**gute / schlechte Nachrichten**

to celebrate

**feiern**

to throw a party

**eine Party geben**

to toast something

**auf etwas anstoßen**

**YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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In some Roman Catholic areas of Germany, a person's name day ("Namenstag") – the feast day for the saint whose name a person shares – used to be more important than their birthday ("Geburtstag"). Nowadays, however, fewer and fewer people celebrate name days.



bouquet  
**das Bukett**



box of chocolates  
**die Pralinen *fpl***



bunting  
die Fähnchen *ntpl*



cake  
der Kuchen



champagne  
**der Champagner**



confetti  
**das Konfetti**



decorations  
**die Dekorationen** *fpl*



fireworks  
**das Feuerwerk**



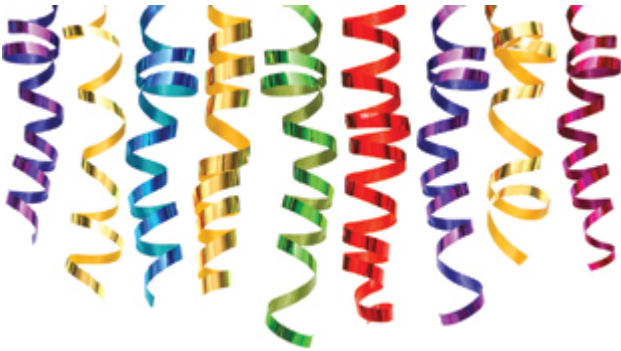
gift  
**das Geschenk**



greetings card  
**die Grußkarte**



party  
**die Party**



streamers  
**die Luftschlangen *fpl***

## HIGH DAYS AND HOLIDAYS | FESTTAGE

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There are 9 official public holidays per year in Germany, and each “Land” also has its own, mostly religious, holidays. If the holiday falls on Thursday or Tuesday, many people take the Friday or Monday off as a “Brückentag” (“bridge day”).

### YOU MIGHT SAY/HEAR...

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Is it a holiday today?  
**Ist heute ein Feiertag?**

I wish you...  
**Ich wünsche Ihnen...**

What are your plans for the holiday?  
**Was haben Sie während der Festtage vor?**

Happy Easter!  
**Frohe Ostern!**

Eid Mubarak!  
**Fröhliches Eid Mubarak!**

April Fool!  
**April, April!**

### VOCABULARY

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baptism  
**die Taufe**

christening

**die Taufe**

bar mitzvah

**der Bar Mitzwa**

bat mitzvah

**die Bat Mitzwa**

baby shower

**die Babyparty**

birth

**die Geburt**

childhood

**die Kindheit**

first day of school

**der Schulanfang**

graduation

**die Abschlussfeier**

engagement

**die Verlobung**

marriage

**die Ehe**

divorce

**die Scheidung**

relocation

**der Umzug**

retirement

**der Ruhestand**

funeral



## **die Beerdigung**

Mother's Day  
**der Muttertag**

Father's Day  
**der Vatertag**

April Fool's Day  
**der erste April**

## **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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The "Tag der Deutschen Einheit" is celebrated on October 3rd to mark the reunification of East and West Germany. The capitals of the "Länder" take turns to host the official celebration. Since 1997, the "Day of the Open Mosque" has been celebrated on the same day.



All Saints' Day  
**Allerheiligen**



Diwali  
**Diwali**



Easter  
**Ostern**



Eid-al-Fitr  
**der Eid al-Fitr**



Halloween  
**Halloween**



Hanukkah  
**Chanukka**



Martinmas  
**der Martinstag**



May Day  
**der Maifeiertag**



Ramadan  
**der Ramadan**



Rose Monday  
**der Rosenmontag**



Thanksgiving  
**das Erntedankfest**



Valentine's Day  
**der Valentinstag**

# CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR | WEIHNACHTEN UND NEUJAHR

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Christmas is usually celebrated from December 24th to 26th in Germany – with the unwrapping of Christmas presents often taking place on Christmas Eve and the family Christmas dinner either just after midnight mass on Christmas Eve or on the 25th. The 26th is usually spent visiting or hosting friends. The “Adventskranz”, a wreath of pine twigs, is a common feature on German doors during the period before Christmas.

## YOU MIGHT SAY/HEAR...

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Merry Christmas!  
**Fröhliche Weihnachten!**

Happy New Year!  
**Ein gutes neues Jahr!**

## VOCABULARY

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Christmas Eve  
**der Heiligabend**

Christmas Day  
**der erste Weihnachtstag**

Christmas card  
**die Weihnachtskarte**

Christmas dinner  
**das Weihnachtsessen**



bauble  
**die Weihnachtskugel**

tinsel  
**das Lametta**

present  
**das Geschenk**

New Year's Day  
**der Neujahrstag**

New Year's card  
**die Neujahrskarte**

### **YOU SHOULD KNOW...**

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You shouldn't wish people a Happy New Year before January 1st in Germany, but you do wish them "Guten Rutsch!", which means "Have a good slide".



Christmas lights  
**die Weihnachtsbeleuchtung**



Christmas market  
**der Weihnachtsmarkt**



Christmas tree  
**der Weihnachtsbaum**



Father Christmas/Santa Claus  
**der Weihnachtsmann / Sankt Nikolaus**



gingerbread biscuits  
**die Lebkuchen *mpl***



mulled wine  
**der Glühwein**



Nativity play  
**das Krippenspiel**



Nativity scene  
**die Weihnachtskrippe**



New Year's Eve  
**das Silvester**



Saint Nicholas and Knecht Ruprecht  
**Sankt Nikolaus und Knecht Ruprecht**



stollen  
**der Stollen**



wreath  
**der Kranz**

# CARNIVAL | KARNEVAL

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Carnivals – “Karneval” in the North, “Fasching” or “Fastnacht” in the South – have been celebrated since the Middle Ages. The most high-profile carnivals are held in Cologne, Mainz, and Düsseldorf.

## VOCABULARY

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face paint

**die Kinderschminke**

mask

**die Maske**

headdress

**der Kopfschmuck**

Lent

**die Fastenzeit**

Shrove Tuesday

**der Fastnachtsdienstag**

Ash Wednesday

**der Aschermittwoch**

## YOU SHOULD KNOW...

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Carnival traditionally precedes the fasting period before Easter, and so people used to make the most of the opportunity to eat plenty during the days of celebration, with each region boasting its own delicious specialities.





carnival float  
**der Karnevalswagen**



costume  
**das Kostüm**



effigy  
**die Strohpuppe**



funfair  
**der Jahrmarkt**



parade  
**der Karnevalsanzug**



street performer  
**der Straßenkünstler / die Straßenkünstlerin**

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