

# German Transition Work

Welcome to A-level German! We are delighted that you intend to study German to A-level and we very much look forward to working with you in Year 12. Over the next few weeks the following tasks aim to consolidate your GCSE vocabulary and grammar. They will also challenge you as you make the transition from GCSE to A Level. Try to immerse yourself in as much German as you can over the coming weeks. Practise your German regularly and remember little and often is the key. If you are unsure about any of the tasks below, please email:

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## 1. Sommer 2023

Make a Power point entitled: Sommer 2023. In the Power point include photos documenting how you spent/spend/will spend/ would spend time this summer. (Maximum 10 slides with a photo/clip art, a sentence with the activity, an opinion and reason. (e.g. Letzte Woche bin ich zu Hause geblieben und es war langweilig, weil ich meine Freunde nicht gesehen habe). This work is due in by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September. Prizes will be awarded for the best and most original Power points!

## 2. Grammar Focus

To consolidate your grammar learning at GCSE please work your way through the grammar on these websites:

<https://languagesonline.org.uk/Hotpotatoes/germanindex.html>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zk92tfr>

## 3. Vocabulary

You must be confident with GCSE vocabulary as that will appear at A-level too! Please ensure you have completed the GCSE vocabulary on Memrise.

Start a post-GCSE German vocab book. Add words you have not previously come across and learn them. Skim read and write down and learn what you think are the most important ones. Start with those words which appear most often.

Start to learn some A-level vocabulary on Memrise. We have a Sixth Form Group so please email me for the group link: [lfisher@stmacademy.org.uk](mailto:lfisher@stmacademy.org.uk)

## 4. Germany/Austria/Switzerland Research

Research a topic about Germany, Austria and/or Switzerland. Your topic should have a specific focus of interest for you e.g. film/literature, sport, music, places/ travel/tourism, festivals (e.g. Oktoberfest)/traditions (e.g. Christmas etc), history, politics, art. Make a presentation in English or German about your topic. (Maximum 8 Power point slides). Due in by 15<sup>th</sup> September. Prizes for the best Power Points!

## 5. News

Try to watch/read at least 3 news stories each week. Make a note of any key vocabulary. You could try these news websites:

<https://www.zdf.de/kinder/logo>

<https://kinder.wdr.de/tv/neuneinhalb/nachrichten/index.html>

<https://www.nachrichtenleicht.de/nachrichten.2005.de.html>

## 6. Film

The following films are on the AQA specification. Watch the trailers listed below and write 3-4 sentences on each film using German you know to give your first impressions. Based on what you see, would you like to watch the whole film and why/why not?

Good Bye Lenin: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iJb4efZcFUM>

Lola Rennt: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uz2-D4lY2gg>

Die Fetten Jahren sind vorbei: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MB1UMfC8koc>

Das Leben der Anderen: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n3\\_iLOp6lhM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n3_iLOp6lhM)

Sophie Scholl – Die letzten Tage: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x14U3R3-dFE>

Almanya – Willkommen in Deutschland: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pVBgUUzF1Hw>

## 7. Websites: Fun Extras to Challenge yourself!

<https://www.easygerman.org/> Lovely videos about life in Germany!

<https://www.dw.com/de/deutsch-lernen/jojo-staffel-1/s-31564> An online soap opera with subtitles!

<https://slowgerman.com/> Lots of information about Germany!

<https://lyricstraining.com/de/> - You could learn a German song!

If you have Netflix or Amazon Prime you might like to watch German series or German films, such as 'Der Ballon'.