



Year 7 German Curriculum Overview

Rationale for Year group & Skills: In German students will undertake 3 lessons per fortnight. The Year 7 curriculum is designed, initially, to teach students how to learn a language effectively. Lessons incorporate the four key literacy skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening and build on their Key Stage 2 English literacy knowledge. Students gradually develop their vocabulary and phonics from word, sentence and finally text level. They will learn to communicate effectively about people, places and things. Furthermore, they will develop a passion for language learning and explore different cultures and traditions. Most lessons will develop their collaboration skills, as they will work in pairs and groups regularly. Much of the lessons will involve speaking, which will build confidence and resilience. Each new topics builds on prior knowledge and grammar.

TERM	Knowledge and skills	Assessment/Teacher Feedback Opportunities	Homework and Literacy resources
Autumn Term	<p>Language Familiarisation</p> <p>This unit of work focuses on understanding how to apply KS Literacy knowledge of verbs, nouns and adjectives in a new language. Key phonics are introduced and reinforced across the year, as they expand their knowledge of vocabulary. This will include including greetings, body parts, colours, numbers (1-10) and students will begin to learn to give opinions.</p>	<p>Assessment</p> <p>Students will find, recognise and recall single nouns and adjectives including colours, numbers, body parts Halloween words. They will use a bi-lingual dictionary to find words, genders and plurals.</p> <p>Skills for assessment</p> <p>Reading (translating words), writing (spelling / capital letters)</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>Vocabulary: 10-15 words based on the previous lessons or in preparation for the next lessons.</p> <p>Revise twice or three times per week in 10-15 minute slots to be able to remember words.</p> <p>How to revise:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Look, cover, write / say aloud , check b. Get somebody at home to test you and check your answers

	<p>Skills</p> <p>Every lesson students develop their speaking, reading, listening and writing skills. They will begin with word level and sentence level.</p> <p>The key concepts of cognates, gender (definite articles) and plural nouns are introduced. Students begin to use a bi-lingual dictionary to develop their knowledge, skills and accuracy. Different techniques to remember words and short sentences are established.</p> <p>Students will improve their collaboration skills and build confidence, as they work in pairs and groups regularly. Much of these lessons will involve speaking, developing their resilience and perseverance skills.</p> <p>Wider experiences</p> <p>Students will start to develop a curiosity about the world around them and different cultures, traditions and festivals including Halloween and Oktoberfest.</p> <p>Greetings differ in various German speaking countries.</p> <p>There will be an International Project on Indonesia.</p>		<p>c. Use a language website e.g. www.german-games.net (play the games to learn the words – listening / reading / writing)</p> <p>d. Make flashcards and test yourself - English on one side / German on the back</p> <p>Optional - Y7 Enrichment opportunities</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nl77g2VWysE (general pronunciation / phonics)</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BoFEG5h7d-o (How to pronounce umlauts)</p> <p>https://www.duolingo.com/ Build up your knowledge of new words / phrases and topics and move up the levels independently. Register for free.</p> <p><u>Goethe Institute resources</u> https://www.goethe.de/ins/gb/en/spr/unt/kum/dfk/df.html</p> <p>Felix / Felix episodes (develop vocabulary and listening skills – add website) Join these 2 characters (a duck and frog) who will help you learn German by watching videos about them and their friends.</p> <p>www.memrise.com</p> <p>Your online, personal AI language tutor will teach you how to speak French like a local.</p>
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Spring Term	<p>Topic 2 : All about Me</p> <p>Knowledge Students will learn to communicate effectively with others in the present tense. They will learn to ask and answer questions about people / places including understanding and giving information about names, where they live (countries), birthdays and ages (numbers / dates)</p> <p>Skills Forming questions, German word order, phonics, reading, writing, speaking, listening. They will begin to construct longer sentences using conjunctions. They will begin to justify their opinions.</p> <p>This unit of work builds on the work from Autumn 1 and continues to develop collaboration, confidence with oracy and research skills.</p>	<p>Assessment</p> <p>Students will understand, ask and answer questions about their name, age, birthdays and where they live.</p> <p>Skills for Assessment</p> <p>Speaking (assessed on pronunciation, intonation and fluency).</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>Vocabulary: 10-15 words based on the previous lessons or in preparation for the next lessons.</p> <p>Revise twice or three times per week in 10-15 minute slots to be able to remember words.</p> <p>How to revise:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Look, cover, write / say aloud , check Get somebody at home to test you and check your answers Use a language website e.g. www.german-games.net (play the games to learn the words – listening / reading / writing) Make flashcards and test yourself - English on one side / German on the back

	<p>Wider experiences</p> <p>Christmas in Germany, including the Krampus festival and comparing festivals in different countries.</p>		<p>Assessment preparation (end of topic) - learn your questions and answers for the speaking assessment</p> <p>Optional - Y7 Enrichment opportunities https://www.duolingo.com/ Duolingo - Build up your knowledge of new words / phrases and topics and move up the levels independently. Register for free.</p> <p><u>Goethe Institute resources</u></p> <p>https://www.goethe.de/ins/gb/en/spr/unt/kum/dfk/df.html</p> <p>Felix / Felix episodes (develop vocabulary and listening skills – add website) Join these 2 characters (a duck and frog) who will help you learn German by watching videos about them and their friends.</p> <p>www.memrise.com Exercises have been created for the vocabulary of all Felix & Franzi chapters on this website.</p> <p>Memrise is an online learning tool which introduces new words or revisits vocabulary learned during lessons. It helps young learners to remember vocab by using flashcards augmented with mnemonics. You can register for free.</p>
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Spring / Summer	<p>Topic 3 : My family</p> <p>Students will be able to describe people including using a range of adjectives and intensifiers. They will describe personality and physical appearance. Time phrases will be introduced to extend their sentences and refer to the future.</p> <p>Skills The concept of gender is reinforced with indefinite articles and negatives. They will be able to compare people. Accusative case and adjective endings. Phonics focus – pronunciation of all letters.</p> <p>Wider Experiences</p> <p>International Project - Urdu Careers with languages in different industries. Research about families / nationalities (?) in Germany today. Festivals – Celebrations such as Fasching, Karneval and Easter and comparing these across German speaking countries.</p> <p>Links with a German school to get e-mail pals</p>	<p>Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening Assessment- Recognise and translate sentences about family /pets / singular / plural nouns Students will be assessed on a piece of writing about themselves and their family including: personality and physical description of themselves and their family, where they live and their nationality and a description of their pets. <p>Skills for assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening Assessment- Recognise and translate sentences about family /pets / singular / plural nouns Writing accurately, using Ich habe, bin, er/sie ist correctly to describe physical appearance and personality with correct adjectival 	<p>Homework</p> <p>Vocabulary: 10-15 words based on the previous lessons or in preparation for the next lessons.</p> <p>Revise twice or three times per week in 10-15 minute slots to be able to remember words.</p> <p>How to revise:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Look, cover, write / say aloud , check Get somebody at home to test you and check your answers Face time a friend and test each other. Use a language website e.g. www.german-games.net (play the games to learn the words – listening / reading / writing) Make flashcards and test yourself - English on one side / German on the back <p>https://uk.language-gym.com (Play games to learn the vocabulary from the lessons)</p> <p>Assessment preparation (end of topic) - learn your paragraph for the writing test</p> <p>Optional - Y7 Enrichment opportunities https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cLbvLBR3Fi4</p>

		<p>agreements. Use of negatives and possessive adjectives mein / meine and genders on indefinite articles (a/ an) einen / eine / ein</p>	<p>Goethe Institute Felix / Felix episodes Felix und Franzi (Animals and sounds)</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MOtgMNKsOJw German with Anya – Learn German for beginners</p>
Summer	<p>Topic 4: House / home</p> <p>Knowledge This unit of work focuses on knowledge of places including types of houses and locations, rooms in the house and furniture. This unit will reinforce the knowledge of justifying opinions, definite and indefinite articles and introduce prepositions. There will be an emphasis on learning and conjugating a variety of verbs to discuss what they do at home. They will learn how to form the past tense (imperfect).</p> <p>Skills There will now be the opportunity for students to extend their writing skills and write more extensively in a detailed text, incorporating all the grammar from this year. Students will develop presentation skills, oracy and confidence.</p> <p>Wider experience</p>	<p>Assessment Short (pre-prepared and learnt) presentation about their house / home. Individual 2 minute presentation to the teacher.</p> <p>Spontaneous questions based on learning all year.</p> <p>Skills for Assessment Speaking - pronunciation, phonics, intonation. Spontaneous questions /answers based on learning all year.</p>	<p>Homework</p> <p>Vocabulary: 10-15 words based on the previous lessons or in preparation for the next lessons.</p> <p>Revise twice or three times per week in 10-15 minute slots to be able to remember words.</p> <p>How to revise:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Look, cover, write / say aloud, check Get somebody at home to test you and check your answers Face time a friend and test each other. Use a language website e.g. www.german-games.net (play the games to learn the words – listening / reading / writing) Make flashcards and test yourself - English on one side / German on the back

	<p>Researching German house, styles, locations and geography such as lakes, forests, cities, countryside regions of Germany / Austria etc</p> <p>Hundertwasserhaus - Famous Austrian artist / architect - explore his style of paintings/ buildings (Possible trip to London to see pictures / museum / eat at Austrian restaurant)</p>		<p>2. https://uk.language-gym.com (Play games to learn the vocabulary from the lessons)</p> <p>1. Assessment preparation (end of topic) - learn your questions and answers for the speaking assessment</p> <p>Optional - Y7 Enrichment opportunities</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yUSLuVVxS3o German homes – how the Germans live</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MOtgMNKs0Jw German with Anya – Learn German for beginners</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UOx1ep_AXIY Fairy Tales – 3 Little pigs</p>
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