Goethe Sprachschule

Level 1

Lesson 1 - People

Grammar

- How to read German letters and words?
- How to use German articles der, die, das?
- How to conjugate the verb sein (to be)?
- Yes/No questions

Vocabulary and phrases

- How to say hello, goodbye, start a conversation?
- How to count to 100?
- How to talk about one's age?
- How to name family members?
- How to describe people?
- How to use possessive adjectives in singular mein, dein, sein, ihr?

Bonus

- der/die/das ein/eine/ein a short description
- Nominative /Accusative cases in German

Lesson 2 - Eat and drink

Grammar

- How to conjugate regular German verbs?
- How to conjugate irregular German verbs?
- How to use the verb möchte (would like to)?
- How to decline German nouns (nominative, dative, accusative)?

Vocabulary and phrases

- How to talk about foods, dishes and meals?
- What's on the menu? An example of a simple menu.
- How to order in a restaurant? A dialogue.

Speaking

- What do we/don't we like eating? The use of accusative case.
- How to talk about one's preferences using words like gern and Lieblings-

Bonus

- How to use time expressions? (the use of adverbs of time)
- How to use negations?
- The use of 'kein' with German nouns

Lesson 3 - Appointments

Grammar

- How to ask open-ended questions? Wh- questions in German.
- What is German sentence structure and word order? (Simple vs. inverted)
- How to use modal verbs können & müssen

Vocabulary and phrases

• How to talk about weekdays, the time of the day, and how to tell the time?

- Where to meet and what to do? Meeting places and activities
- Prepositions zu & in when talking about places one visits
- How to have a short telephone conversation?
- How to talk about one's skills and abilities?

Bonus

- How to use demonstrative pronouns?
- The use of prepositions zu, in

Lesson 4 - Everyday routine

Grammar

- How to use compound verbs in German? (with separable/inseparable prefixes)
- How to use German reflexive pronouns?
- How to use German personal pronouns?

Vocabulary and phrases

- How to describe your day?
- How to talk about the Weather? (adjectives)
- Expressions with man (an introduction)
- Expressions with um...zu... (an introduction)

Bonus

Modal verbs – overview

Lesson 5 - Have a good trip!

Grammar

- How to use German Dative prepositions?
- How to use German Accusative prepositions?

Vocabulary and phrases

- Talk about one's holiday, business trip, excursion
- What are countries, nationalities and languages in German?
- How to give a correct date and talk about months?
- What are German ordinal numbers?
- How do we travel? Means of communication
- At the hotel How to make a reservation, describe a hotel?

Bonus

• The German expression: Es gibt...

Lesson 6 - At Home

Grammar

- How to use Dative and Accusative German prepositions?
- Minimal verb pairs: sitzen, liegen <--> setzen, legen

Vocabulary and phrases

- How to describe one's home/flat?
- How to name basic household equipment and talk about rooms?

Speaking

- How to make sentences with weil, ob, dass, obwohl?
- How to look for a flat?

Bonus

• Grammar revision – practice

Level 2

Lesson 1 - Holidays

Grammar

• How to use the imperative in German?

Vocabulary and phrases

• How to talk about holidays and celebrations?

Reading

What do we do with vouchers? Practice in reading and understanding

Listening

• A short visit to a reception party...

Speaking

• How to use the imperative in practice?

Bonus

• How do we address people in German?

Lesson 2 - A Holiday

Grammar

- How to use the past tense Perfekt?
- How to use the past tense Präteritum with haben, sein and es gibt?

Vocabulary and phrases

• How to talk about one's holiday or a summer break?

Reading

• How to give an account of one's journey?

Listening

• A holiday in Spain

Speaking

• How to use German Perfekt tense in subordinate clauses?

Bonus

• German Perfekt tense – additional practice

Lesson 3 - Bless you!

Grammar

• How to use comparative and superlative adjectives in German?

Vocabulary and phrases

• What are body parts in German and what to say at the doctor's?

Reading

• How to give advice when one's come down with a cold?

Listening

• How to make an appointment at the doctor's by phone?

Speaking

• Additional phrases and expressions to use when visiting a doctor.

Bonus

• At the doctor's – a series of role-play examples

Lesson 4 - Shopping

Grammar

• How to make subordinate clauses? – revision and extension

Vocabulary and phrases

• How to do the shopping? – additional vocabulary for text comprehension

Reading

A survey about shopping

Listening

• How to buy a pair of shoes?

Speaking

• What to say when one goes shopping?

Bonus

• Listening comprehension: What did Nico do yesterday? (Perfekt)

Lesson 5 - My Job

Grammar

• How to use modal verbs in past tense?

Vocabulary and phrases

- How to talk about one's job?
- What are different professions in German?

Reading

• How to look for a job?

Listening

• A visit at an unemployment office.

Speaking

• Revision of prepositions of time

Bonus

• How to name other jobs and professions in German?

Lesson 6 - All's well that ends well

Grammar

- A concise revision of all grammar aspects of the course
- Additional grammar practice

Vocabulary and phrases

• Practice: vocabulary check in games and quizzes

Reading

• Work in hotel reception

Listening

• How to talk about an important family event? Uncle Frank's birthday

Speaking

• How to find your way in a city?

Bonus

• Additional grammar practice

Level 3

Lesson 1 - Plans for the future

Grammar

• How to use the future simple tense? Futur I

Vocabulary and phrases

• How to talk about one's future education plans? – a glossary

Reading

• Future planning – Young people making choices – a newspaper article

Listening

• Future planning – a radio programme

Speaking

• How to make indirect questions?

Bonus

• How to make sentences with obwohl and trotzdem?

Lesson 2 - Geography

Grammar

• Dependent prepositions with verbs

Vocabulary and phrases

- Geography
- How to talk about one's leisure time?

Reading

- How do Germans usually spend their free time?
- How to talk about exercise and physical activities? How active do you need to be?

Listening

• German points of interest: Haben Sie gewusst...?

Speaking

• How to talk about sports? A series of dialogues

Bonus

Dependent prepositions – additional practice

Lesson 3 - Workplace

Grammar

• Dependent prepositions with nouns – how to ask correct questions?

Vocabulary and phrases

• How to talk about one's workplace?

Reading

• How to apply for a job?

Listening

• Uwe Jansen and his great passion

Speaking

• How to do a job interview on the phone or face-to-face?

Bonus

• How to use German proverbs?

Lesson 4 - Clothes make the man

Grammar

• How to decline German adjectives?

Vocabulary and phrases

- How to talk about clothes and fashion?
- How to describe colours and fabric?

Reading

• Clothes make the Man

Listening

• Shopping for clothes – in a boutique

Speaking

• How to talk about past events?

Bonus

• How to decline comparative adjectives?

Lesson 5 - Business is business

Grammar

• How to make questions with adjectives?

Vocabulary and phrases

• How to talk about business issues?

Reading

• H&M – a story of success

Listening

• A news report: description of three medium-sized German enterprises

Speaking

- How to use the particle doch when responding to questions?
- How to use expressions Was für ein /eine ...! in everyday German?

Bonus

• The adjective declension of nouns

Lesson 6 - Our life

Grammar

• How to make and use infinitive clauses?

Vocabulary and phrases

• Human traffic – how to describe human relations?

Reading

• Men and women – describing relationships

Listening

How to talk about partnership?

Speaking

• How to ask for someone's opinion and express it in German?

Bonus

• General revision of German grammar