

German

The world is shrinking! Foreign travel and working abroad have become easier and more common. Did you know that over 75% of the world's population doesn't speak any English? A great skill is to be able to use another language.

With 81 million people, Germany has the largest population in the European Union. It is the largest national economy in Europe, and the fourth largest in the world. It is a founding member of the European Union and the Eurozone. Germany is a world power – so speaking German will make you powerful!



Qualification: GCSE
Examination Board: AQA
Specification Code: 8668

Topics Covered

You will develop 4 skills: Listening, Speaking, Reading & Writing.

Themes:

- Identity & culture
- Local, national & international areas of interest
- Current & future study and employment

Assessment

100 % - Exam at the end of Year 11

- **25% Listening:** Higher or Foundation tier
- **25% Reading:** Higher or Foundation tier
- **25% Speaking:** 7 - 12 minutes speaking test. Higher or Foundation tier
- **25% Writing:** Written paper - Higher or Foundation tier

Course Progression

Having a GCSE in a language is compulsory in order to choose one at AS or A level.

All universities see AS & A level languages as a useful subject for any degree course and many universities are now starting to make first year students take a language module as part of their studies.

Career Opportunities

With the renewed focus on the English Baccalaureate and Progress 8 subjects, people are realising the importance of having a foreign language at GCSE level. Employers want staff with a broad skill set and confident manner.

Studying a language broadens horizons and crucially improves your communication skills. Many German graduates use their language skills on a daily basis, many use the skills learnt from studying a language - employers can't lose!