



Year 8

Department of German

OVERVIEW

Skills Developed

- Working independently, in pairs and groups
- Listening, copying, learning by heart
- Reading skills including reading for gist and detail
- Understanding culture and life in Germany

Topics covered

Main Topics:

- Talking about holidays
- The weather
- Health
- Shopping
- Food and drink
- Making arrangements to go out

Main Grammar:

- Revision of the present tense
- The perfect tense in German
- Modal and separable verbs
- Translation from German into English and from English into German

How we assess your daughter's progress

- There will be regular vocabulary and grammar tests, as well as end-of-unit assessments, which will test your daughter in all four skill areas (speaking, listening, reading and writing)
- Homework will be given after every lesson (20 minutes) and may be learning for a vocabulary test, or revising for an end-of-unit test, or may be a reading exercise or preparation for a speaking activity
- All creative writing and assessments will be marked and graded, and your daughter will be given clear guidance on what she has done well and what she needs to do in order to improve.
- Progress of the class will also be assessed during lessons and your daughter's teacher will adapt the lesson according to the needs of the class.

How we support and develop your daughter

Support materials:

- Every pupil has access to Language Gym, an online vocab and grammar learning tool
- Textbooks are Logo 2. They are supported by a range of worksheets and supplementary materials.
- Year 8 German additional materials are on SharePoint and are updated regularly.

- Suggested websites include:
- www.languagesonline.org.uk
- www.languageskills.co.uk
- www.bbc.co.uk/languages/german

How you can help your daughter

You could: help your daughter to learn new vocabulary; listen to her reading aloud; help her to understand how to use a dictionary; help her to locate German radio online or German television on satellite TV. Language awareness is useful to make comparisons between German and English.

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