

A Level German



Why this subject?

'A' Level German students study technological and social change, looking at the multicultural nature of German-speaking society. They will study highlights of German-speaking artistic culture, including art and architecture, and learn how Germany's political landscape was formed. Students also explore the influence of the past on present-day German-speaking communities. Throughout their studies, they will learn the language in the context of German-speaking countries and the issues and influences which have shaped them. An 'A' level in German can lead to a range of exciting and fulfilling degree courses and careers and can provide students with transferable skills, valued by employers.

Course Outline

Year 12 Themes

Aspects of German-speaking Society

- The changing nature of the family
- The digital world
- Youth Culture

Artistic culture in the German Speaking World

- Festivals and Traditions
- Art and Architecture
- Cultural Life in Berlin, past and present

Film/Book study

Year 13 Themes

Multiculturalism in German Speaking Society

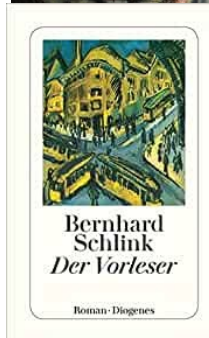
- Immigration
- Integration
- Racism

Aspects of political life in the German-speaking World

- Germany and the European Union
- German re-unification and its consequences
- Politics & Youth

Book study

Independent Research Project



Key Information

Exam Board	AQA
Qualification Type	A Level
Entry Requirements	A Level Pathway. Level 7+ in GCSE German.
Head of Department	Miss Moss

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Assessment Outline

A Level: Three papers

Paper 1

Listening, reading and writing. 2 hours 30 minutes with 100 marks which is 50% of A level. Responding to spoken and written stimulus, summaries, translation into English.

Paper 2

Writing (Film and Book) 2 hours with 80 marks which is 20% of A Level. Students receive an essay question based on a film or book and translate into German.

Paper 3

Speaking (All Themes from A Level course and Independent Research Project). 21-23 minutes exam with 60 marks and worth 30% of A level. One roleplay and a presentation on the Research Project. 5 minutes preparation time before the exam.



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Specification
For teaching from September 2016 onwards
For exams in 2018 onwards

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Careers and next steps

There are a variety of degree courses at universities which allow students to build upon the 'A' Level in German, either exclusively by studying a degree purely in German or by combining German with another language or with a number of other subjects such as, Maths, Business, Music, Law. It is important to research the type of courses available as many also offer the opportunity to spend some time in a German-speaking country as part of the course, too. Languages studied to 'A' Level and beyond can open doors to a wide range of careers such as teaching, translation, interpreting, publishing, journalism, marketing, retail, hospitality, tourism, politics, diplomats, media, as well as being a valued and sought-after skill by many employers.

