

MFL – German

GCSE – EDUQAS

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What's it all about?

A GCSE in a modern foreign language aims to:

- Develop all four skills (reading, writing, speaking and listening)
- develop awareness and understanding of the countries and communities where German is spoken
- provide you with a suitable basis for further study and practical use of German

Languages are all around us; they are used in so many situations whether at work, on holiday or just casually in day-to-day life - we live in a multilingual global society. Studying a foreign language enables you to gain excellent transferrable skills, such as flexibility, knowledge and awareness of another culture as well as improved conversational abilities, a greater mastery of languages in general, better study skills, greater discipline, and enhanced concentration and focus.

Studying a language will improve your career options. For example, **70%** of businesses in the West Midlands use one foreign language, **50%** use 2 or more languages and **48%** of these businesses use an interpreter due to a lack of employees with language skills. If you are not yet convinced, **76%** of British employers say that they value language skills in their employees. Graduates with language qualifications have been shown to earn an average of **10%** more than non-linguists in comparable jobs.

What will I learn on this course?

Theme 1: Identity and culture (Youth Culture, Lifestyle, Customs & Traditions)

Theme 2: Local, national, international and global areas of interest (Home & Locality, Germany & German Speaking Countries, Global Sustainability)

Theme 3: Current and future study and employment (Current Study, World of Work, Jobs & Future plans)

How will I be assessed?

- **Reading** (25% of qualification)
- **Listening** (25% qualification)
- **Writing** (2 tasks, 25% of qualification)
- **Speaking** (3 tasks, 25% of qualification, non-exam assessment)

This GCSE qualification in German offers assessment at foundation and higher tier. Each learner must take assessments in either the foundation tier or the higher tier only.

Who should take it?

All Students have to take a language at GCSE, it is a core subject.

What do your current students say?

“It looks good on your CV and university applications if you have a language”

“GCSE languages expand your knowledge of other cultures and countries”

Is there anything else I need to know?

There are after school revision sessions focusing on specific skills, cultural trips/visits.

Who can I contact for further information?

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