



## BWS Language Evening Classes – Course Description

### Beginners' German Part 2

#### Required level

Willkommen! This class is designed for students who have finished our Beginners Part 1 course or who already have a basic understanding of German and would like to further develop their confidence, skills and knowledge.

#### Aims & working methods

The aim of the course is to consolidate your previous knowledge and to extend vocabulary, structure, fluency and grammar to improve communication in practical situations.

The main focus is on speaking and listening, with some reading and writing activities designed to maximise your confidence and progress. Students who have already studied basic German will find this course an excellent way to continue to improve and re-enforce their language skills.

Together we will explore the German language in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. It is suitable for those wanting to learn for fun or for those wanting to progress onto the next level. There is no formal testing.

The sessions involve a great variety of activities like pair work, group work, whole class work, games, role-plays and CDs.

#### Textbooks

A book is not required to start with. There will be hand-outs.

#### What to bring to class

You should bring a pen, a notebook and an A4 folder for the hand-outs.

#### Homework

You will have regular homework involving preparation, grammar or written exercises.

#### Topic areas

Throughout the terms, emphasis will be on pronunciation, vocabulary, verbs and grammar, understanding and participation in simple conversations in everyday situations. You will also increase your confidence by using more German expressions.

Typically: More on shops, department stores and shopping, getting what you want, asking for a hotel room, checking in at reception, the time, asking about public transport, buying tickets, daily routine, leisure interest and planning activities, talking about the past, more on traditions and customs, present tense of more complex verbs and the present perfect, forming more complex sentences and questions.

#### Next Steps

The course runs for a school year with classes taking place over two terms: an initial shorter term during the autumn, leading into a second longer term from January through to mid-May.

On completion of the course, you may feel inspired to continue studying German and join the Improvers' course the following year.