



## Improvers' German

**Willkommen!**

### Required level

This class is designed for students who have finished our Beginners' course or who already have a basic understanding of German and would like to further develop their confidence, skills and knowledge. Students should be able to use simple phrases or words such as greetings, asking for and giving personal information, ordering food and drink, asking for directions, and using grammar at Beginners level.

### Aims & working methods

The aim of the course is to consolidate your previous knowledge, extend your vocabulary, increase your fluency and improve your grammar and 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 to the next level. There is no formal testing.

The sessions involve a great variety of activities like working in pairs or groups, playing games, performing role-plays and listening to CDs.

### Textbooks

Textbooks are 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

Topics include exchanging personal information, your work and daily routines, your likes and dislikes, your leisure interests, planning activities and making arrangements. There will also be more on traditions and customs.

Emphasis will be on vocabulary, pronunciation, verbs, tenses and other grammar, forming more complex sentences and asking questions in everyday situations. You will also increase your confidence by using more German expressions.

### Next Steps

The course runs for a school year with classes taking place over three terms.

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