

## Year 8 GERMAN

In Year 8, students are introduced to German as their second foreign language. We build on the grammatical understanding students have of French to enable them to develop their linguistic knowledge at a faster pace. Students move from basic word level, to short phrases and paragraphs by the end of the summer term. The end of year aims are that students can talk about themselves and their lives, express opinions with reasons, use some transactional language, use two tenses (present and future) and have an awareness of Germanic culture.

Lessons include a variety of opportunities for students to acquire and apply language skills in listening, reading, speaking, writing and translating. Lessons are initially teacher-led and students are provided with opportunities to work in pairs or in groups or independently. Lesson content is culturally based in order to enhance students' enjoyment and knowledge of the German-speaking world. Retrieval practice is evident in Brain In Gear activities at the start of every lesson and they are all linked to prior learning.

Year 8 Curriculum	Autumn Term 1	Autumn Term 2	Spring Term 1	Spring Term 2	Summer Term 1	Summer Term 2
<b>Topic</b>	<b>My world</b>	<b>Family and pets</b>	<b>Free time</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Trip to Germany</b>	<b>Holidays</b>
	Introducing yourself	Pets	Sports	School subjects	Places in town	Comparing places
	Age and numbers to 20	Family members	Leisure activities	Timetable	Buying souvenirs and snacks	Past holidays
	Alphabet	Birthdays	Mobile phones and computers	Describing teachers	Holiday plans	Weather
	German-speaking world	Christmas and New Year in Germany.	Friends	School facilities and rules  Dream school	German-speaking places	Unusual holiday experiences

<b>Grammar</b>	The verb sein	Pronouns	Using gern with spielen	Using weil to give reasons	Es gibt + ein/kein	Past using war, hatte, gab
	The verb wohnen	The verb form kann + infinitive	Opinions	Possessive adjectives sein and ihr	Ich möchte	Perfect tense using haben and sein
	Possessive adjectives mein and dein	Present tense verbs	Correct word order	Prepositions in, auf, an, neben	Using werden to form the future tense	Questions
	The verb haben and the indefinite article	Adjectives with nouns	Talking about the future using the present tense			
<b>Assessment Vocabulary tests preceded by relentless retrieval practice. Tests have large translation element to go beyond word level*</b>	Vocabulary tests*	Vocabulary tests*	Vocabulary tests*	Vocabulary tests*	Vocabulary tests*	Vocabulary tests*
	Mini-topic assessment	Mini-topic assessment	Mini-topic assessment	Mini-topic assessment	Mini-topic assessment	Mini-topic assessment
	End of topic assessment	End of topic assessment	End of topic assessment	End of topic assessment	End of topic assessment	End of topic assessment

### Independent Work

Independent work is a vital part of becoming more proficient in German. It may take several forms: learning vocabulary, ActiveLearn tasks online, preparing answers for an oral or written assessment, a worksheet, research, a presentation. Independent work will be set weekly.