

infoCOMPASS: LEARNING GERMAN

Good knowledge of the German language is essential for living and working in Germany. The following overview can be helpful to for improve your language skills early on.

Language courses in your home country

- Goethe-Institut offers fee-based [German courses worldwide](#) with an internationally recognized certificate
- To identify good German courses you can use [the quality standards by Goethe-Institut](#) as a guide

Language courses in Saxony

- Course finder by the [Federal Employment Agency](#)
- BAMF [Vocational Language Courses](#) (BSK) and [Vocational Language Courses for Trainees](#) (Azubi-BSK); Contact in Saxony: BSK.Berlin@bamf.bund.de
- [Job-BSK](#) – Tailored language acquisition in the workplace
- BAMF-[Integration Courses](#) (language and orientation) can be found using the [BAMF-NAVi](#) tool

Free online resources and apps

General

- [Overview](#) by the Federal Office for Migration and Refugees (BAMF)
- Overview of [German Learning Portals](#) provided by the German Education Server

Online Portals

- Online courses on [vhs-Learning Portal](#)
- Deutsche Welle resources
 - [Deutsch-Trainer](#)
 - Improve your listening comprehension with [slowly spoken News](#)
 - Online course „[Nicos Weg](#)“
- Goethe-Institut resources
 - [Practice German for free](#)
 - [Onleihe](#) (a digital library offering audiobooks, films, e-books, magazines and newspapers)
 - Online-Community [Deutsch für Dich](#) des Goethe-Instituts
 - Online Game „[Lern Deutsch - Die Stadt der Wörter](#)“ at language level A1 and above
- [Language portal](#) of the Austrian Integration Fund (ÖIF)
- E-Learning-Portal [DaFür](#)
- [German Vocabulary](#) with images and audio

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Apps

- Multimedia Language Course in the „[Ankommen](#)“ app
- App „[Introductory German](#)“ of the vhs-Learning portal
- Apps by the Goethe-Institut:
 - [Deutschtrainer A1](#)
 - [Lern Deutsch – Die Stadt der Wörter](#)
 - [Deutschland. Kennen. Lernen](#)
- Alphabetization App [Serlo ABC](#)

Digital Resources for Job-Related German

- [Vocational Vocabulary](#) with craft-related terms
- [Professional Vocabulary](#) (a project by the Bertelsmann Foundation)
- [German at the Workplace](#) by Fachstelle Berufsbezogenes Deutsch
- Learning Game in the „[Ein Tag Deutsch in der Pflege](#)“ app (healthcare)
- App „[Lunes](#)“: job-specific vocabulary combined with images
- Exercises by occupation fields: [German in the workplace](#)
- Self-Learning Modules for Medicine and healthcare on the [online telc Campus](#)

Social Media

- Social Media Communities by Goethe-Institut with language learning exercises
- Fun Facts about the German language on the social media channels of „[Make it in Germany](#)“

Other offers

- Self-assessment of German language skills: [Self-assessment Grids \(CEFR\) - European Language Portfolio \(ELP\) \(coe.int\)](#); [Test Your German - Goethe-Institut](#)
- Language mediators from the [SprInt Service Center](#)
- Find a language partner through [Start with a friend](#)
- „[Deutsch für alle](#)“ with self-learning methods available for free download
- [DEINE BAND – Learning German with Music - PASCH-Initiative \(pasch-net.de\)](#)
- Watch German films and TV series via free media libraries, such as [ARD Media Center](#), [ARTE Media Center](#), [ZDF Media Center](#)
- TV news in simple language: [Tagesschau](#)
- Testimonial video by „Make it in Germany“ [We made it! – Erfolgreich die deutsche Sprache erlernen](#)
- Also check with your [regional](#) Welcome Center for language learning offers

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