

A LEVEL GERMAN
(Edexcel specification)

A Level German is essential preparation for degree courses which include this language; German can also be combined with a wide range of other subjects at university.

You will study the following themes and sub-themes:

Social Developments in German Speaking Society

Nature and the environment
Education
The world of work

Political and Artistic Culture

Trends in Music
The Media
Festivals and traditions

Immigration

The positive influences of migration
Challenges of migration and integration
Social and governmental responses to immigration

German Reunification

Society in the GDR before reunification
Events leading up to reunification
Germany since reunification

Students will also study one text **and** one film.

Assessment

The assessment scheme is constructed around three components:

Paper 1: Listening, reading and translation	A Level 40 per cent
Paper 2: Critical and analytical response in writing	A Level 30 per cent
Paper 3: Speaking	A Level 30 per cent

Independent study

Tasks for study outside classes will include extensive reading of German books and periodicals; making use of self-study resources including German radio and podcasts; researching topics independently through the Library and internet; additional grammar practice. Each student will have an individual weekly tutorial with the German Assistant.

Visits abroad

Students will be encouraged to take advantage of opportunities to visit Germany through a Bay House organised visit.

GCSE requirements:

German – grade 5

English Language – grade 4

*At least **one** grade 5 in another literate subject*