

Preparation for year 12

So, you have finished year 11 and are looking to prepare for year 12.

The following slides contain some ideas and opportunities. You do not have to try them all, but dip your toes in! I have included the benefits of each task but also a “remember” section, so you do not think “eek! This is hard!”

Listening and Speaking

“Slow German with Annik Rubens”

Type the above into a search engine and you will find numerous podcasts to choose from.



Plus points: 1) great transition as we have used these at GCSE. 2) Transcripts are available so you can check new vocabulary and 3) practise reading along to check pronunciation, even if you do not now the word. 4) you can find podcasts on year 12 topics.

Remember: 1) there will be vocabulary and structure that you may not know yet, don't panic, this is addressed as we progress in year 12. if you can, list some of the words you think are key.

Listening and Speaking

Deutsche Welle Slowly Spoken News in German

Type the above into a search engine and you will find numerous podcasts to choose from. Make sure you use Deutsche Welle as not all slow news services are free.

[Deutsche Welle Slowly Spoken News in German Podcast | Free ...](https://freelanguage.org/learn-german/deutsche-welle-slowly-spoken...)

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News at your Speed in German. Slowly Spoken **News in German** is an outstanding podcast for learners at the intermediate to advanced level.. And with the added text they provide, this is also a great way to improve your **German** reading as well as listening skills.

Plus points: 1) 100% current – it is the news! 2) Transcripts are available so you can check new vocabulary and 3) practise reading along to check pronunciation, even if you do not know the word. 4) you can skip to items that you find personally interesting or suit the topics we will study.

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Listening and reading

Watch German films or even your favourites with language changed.

You can watch many of your favourite films with German subtitles or begin to enjoy German cinema.



**Plus points: 1) learning about the culture, history, way of life of Germany and German speaking countries.
2) Many films can be found on Amazon Prime or Netflix.**

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Grammar

Teach me!

The best way to be sure you know something is if you can explain it to someone else.

Task: produce a PowerPoint of 5-10 slides to explain the following and feel free to email it to me:

- 1) Present tense**
- 2) Perfect tense**
- 3) Modal verbs including meanings**
- 4) Future and conditional tense**
- 5) Nouns (gender and identification) NB- avoid looking at the case system unless you are a masochist, I'll teach it!**
- 6) Conjunctions**
- 7) Pronouns**
- 8) Word order (verb order)**

Plus points: 1) you revise GCSE grammar thoroughly and be ready for AS grammar 2) you will look at different online sites and find some that work best for you. 3) you are researching and analysing – A-level skills!

Remember: 1) to give the major points in 5-10 slides. If you produce more you are probably going into degree work!

Reading resources

Anything that you read in German is great and there are plenty of interesting articles on the Deutsche Welle website. A very interesting and informative book that can help you understand the Germans is:

The Shortest History of Germany by James Hawes

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Ebook ISBN: 978-1-910400-42-5