COURSES FOR TEENS AND CHILDREN

LEARNING GERMAN IN GERMANY
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GOETHE-INSTITUTE WORLDWIDE

The Goethe-Institut operates 159 institutes in 98 countries, including 12 institutes in Germany.

Every year more than 45,000 learners enjoy the personal service, the international atmosphere and the quality of our language courses in Germany.

INTERNATIONAL GROUPS

It is one of our top priorities to provide optimal support to children and teens in their growth and development. By getting to know the world at an early age and learning to communicate with people from other cultures, they will be better prepared to face the challenges of the future.

LEARNING GERMAN THE FUN WAY

In our courses for children and teens, your children will benefit from the unique experience of learning German through enjoyable activities in an international atmosphere. At the same time, they will get to know Germany and its culture.
ALMOST LIKE AT HOME

CAREFULLY SELECTED COURSE LOCATIONS
Our young learners courses take place at renowned boarding schools, sports academies, conference centers and hotels in Germany’s most scenic regions. The classrooms and dormitories are situated on a campus along with the sports facilities and green spaces.

COMFORTABLE ACCOMMODATION
The boarding schools have double rooms and dorm-style multi-bed rooms with a shower and WC. Boys and girls are accommodated separately.

MEALS WITH PLENTY OF VARIETY
Full board includes three substantial meals a day with plenty of variety. It also includes a selection of refreshments and snacks during course breaks and in the afternoon.

Vegetarian meals and dishes without pork are available at all mealtimes. We regret that we cannot offer Halal cooking or special mealtimes during Ramadan.
WHAT WE OFFER

EXPERIENCE GERMANY

Three weeks spent learning German and meeting children and teens from all over the world: during their enjoyable stay, the young learners will experience the culture in the most scenic regions of Germany, with an extracurricular program packed with sports, music, the arts and other fun activities. The Goethe-Institut offers all of this in courses at every level.

AGE GROUPS
9-12 years
12-15 years
14-16 years
16-17 years

SERVICES
- Three weeks, 15 days of lessons
- Intensive course Monday to Friday, 90 UI, 30 UI per week
- max. class size: 16
- Courses at levels A2 - C1, generally no beginners*
- Placement test
- Participation certificate
- Exam opportunities*
- All course materials
- Sports, culture and leisure-time program
- Accommodation in the boarding school or conference center
- Full board
- Supervision and care
- Four excursions
- Health and accident insurance
- Internet access is available at all course locations
- Every young learners course has its own blog: blog.goethe.de/jugendkurse

TRANSFER
The transfer to and from the indicated airports on the arrival and departure dates between 7:00 am and 6:00 pm is included.

INTERNET AND BLOGS
- Internet access is available at all course locations
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UI = 45-minute unit of instruction

* See current listings at www.goethe.de/youth
GERMAN FOR ALL LEVELS
To get the young learners in our teen courses off to a running start, we begin with a placement test. That helps to make sure that everyone is placed in the right course level.

COMMUNICATIVE AND INTERACTIVE
Learning German at the Goethe-Institut means actively experiencing and using the language in pairs and in groups, for example through role plays, with interviews or in projects. The lessons are suited to the age groups and have plenty of variety. Speaking, listening, reading, writing and grammar are linked in a meaningful way, quickly familiarizing the young learners with the German language. The teaching language is German, of course.

EXPERIENCE GERMANY
In the leisure time program, the participants have enjoyable and informal opportunities to try out what they are learning in the lessons. An integral part of the teaching program are the excursions with the teachers to learn about Germany and its people. Immersion in a German-speaking environment, combined with our effective teaching methods, will ensure more fun for the learners as they see for themselves how quickly they are picking up the language.
What we offer

EXAMINATIONS AND CERTIFICATES

During the course, participants at some locations* may take part in internationally recognized Goethe-Institut examinations offered at various levels if they wish. The exams are tailored to the various age groups.

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PROGRAMS FOR THE ENTIRE DAY
With our varied and action-packed leisure program, boredom doesn’t stand a chance. Every day our team of counsellors offers a wide range of sports as well as creative, musical or cultural activities.

SPORTING ACTIVITIES FOR ALL INTERESTS
The boarding schools where the courses take place are situated in scenic areas and have attractive indoor and outdoor sports facilities. With full supervision, the participants can play soccer, handball, volleyball, basketball, tennis, badminton, table tennis and billiards, among other sports. They can also go cycling, hiking and swimming. Depending on the course location, various special activities such as riding, golf, rowing, canoeing, sailing and climbing may be available.

SPORTS, FUN AND GAMES
OUR EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROGRAM

GETTING THE CREATIVE JUICES FLOWING
Creative activities such as theater, mime, painting, pottery, crafts, musical performances, film making, photo contests, and writing the course blog are always a big part of our courses – not to mention games, barbecues, disco nights and movies.

EXPERIENCE THE CULTURE
We take our learners to plenty of places, for example to see the local sights and museums, exhibitions, concerts, theater and movies. We also organize guided outings. That is an excellent way of getting to know Germany.
ORGANIZATION WITH EXPERIENCE

THE COURSE MANAGEMENT
Our course coordinators have plenty of experience in working with children and teens. On the campus they are responsible for organizing the lessons, the sports, culture and leisure-time program, and also for health and safety. They are available to the course participants and their parents for any questions and suggestions, and are always ready to help or provide advice. Parents can contact the course coordinators by e-mail or telephone.

THE TEACHERS
The young participants in the Young Learners Program benefit from the expertise and qualifications of our teachers. Each class has its own teacher. The lessons, with a maximum class size of 16, are planned by the teachers with the age group in mind. The activities are varied, with plenty of changes of pace. Classroom activities take the form of a playful, interactive process. Naturally our teachers respond to individual abilities and learning objectives and are pleased to help when learners have special requests.

THE COUNSELORS
Our counselors are there for the course participants. They plan the sports, cultural and leisure-time activities with the participants’ wishes in mind. The counselors are available to deal with all everyday questions and concerns that arise during the course. They are hand-picked by the Goethe-Institut for these courses and have plenty of experience in working with children and teens.

On average, at least one counselor is available for a maximum of 16 course participants. The younger the participants, the more intensive the support by the counselors. This ensures the best possible leisure-time program and the right level of supervision.
A DAY ON A YOUNG LEARNERS COURSE

BREAKFAST WITH THE GROUP
08:00–09:00

LESSONS
09:00–10:30
Learning German at various levels, language games, grammar

BREAK WITH REFRESHMENTS
10:30–11:00

LESSONS
11:00–12:30

BREAK WITH REFRESHMENTS
12:30–2:00

LUNCH WITH THE GROUP
2:00–6:30

AFTERNOON LESSONS, 2–3 times per week
Flexible

LEISURE-TIME PROGRAM
2:00–6:30
Sports, creative activities, hiking, short excursions, sightseeing

BREAK WITH REFRESHMENTS
6:30–7:30

DINNER WITH THE GROUP
from 7:30

EVENING PROGRAM
Also on weekends
Sports, creative activities, movies, disco or free time

LEISURE PROGRAM, OUTINGS, EXCURSIONS
Also on weekends
IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE
Most of our young guests arrive unaccompanied by plane. At the destination airport they are met by our Goethe-Institut counselor teams (identifiable by their light blue T-shirts and name tags). The counselors will supervise the arriving participants if there is a wait before the departure of the transfer buses to the course locations. We also organize the airport transfer on the departure date. Departing students are accompanied by the Goethe-Institut counselors until the check-in at the airport. Please note:
- Please advise us well ahead of time of the flight details, including arrival and departure times and flight numbers.
- The transfer to and from the airport is included. In general, the transfer service is available only on the first and last course date between 7 am and 6 pm.
- An additional charge applies for the individual airport transfer in case of arrival or departure after 6 pm or before 7 am. In such cases, the transfer is by taxi.

SUPERVISION AND CARE
The supervision and care of the under-18 participants attending our courses is a top priority for our program teams.
- Teens under 18 years of age are allowed to leave the campus at certain times and in small groups, and only with the permission of the course leaders.
- By prior arrangement between parents and course leaders, children and teens may leave the campus at weekends to visit friends or relatives. In that case they will miss the scheduled leisure-time activities.
- When children and teens are picked up by friends or relatives, we require permission in writing from parents, clearly specifying who will be coming to pick up their children.

HEALTH
- Please inform us on the enrollment form of any health restrictions (allergies, diabetes, medication, etc.).
- Let us know about any special dietary considerations (vegetarian diet, non-pork menu, kosher meals, etc.).
- A German or English translation of any doctor’s notes must be provided.

INSURANCE
For all participants, the Goethe-Institut takes out basic medical insurance as well as accident and liability coverage with an insurance company. For details on the health coverage, please refer to Section 9.2 of our Terms and Conditions.

CLOTHING
Participants need appropriate clothing for sports and cold, rainy weather (rainwear, sweaters, closed-toed shoes, gym kit). Laundry services are offered at all locations. Clothing should be labeled with your child’s name.

POCKET MONEY
We recommend pocket money of about €80/week. It is kept in the safe for the duration of the course and handed out at certain times. Airline tickets and passports are also kept in the safe.

HOUSE RULES
House rules apply at the boarding schools, for example to regulate the quiet times. During the course, participants under the age of 18 are not permitted to smoke or consume alcohol. House rules are made known at the start of the course and are binding for all participants.
- In case of violations, the team reserves the right to contact parents. Possible consequences include a written reprimand or expulsion from the course.
STARTING YOUR ADVENTURE IN GERMANY

A time that will leave you with long-lasting, happy memories: The young learners courses offer great experiences, exciting activities, helpful and friendly teachers and counsellors, and an authentic look at Germany and its culture. As for the language learning process: you'll learn German almost automatically. For more information, check online and follow our blog with the many first-person reports from past participants.

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