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YOUTH CAMPS
IN GERMANY AND AUSTRIA
ALL PRICES AND DATES ARE LISTED UNDER GOETHE.DE/YOUTH
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 camps in Germany.

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.

At our camps 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.
CAREFULLY SELECTED CAMP LOCATIONS
Our camps for children and teens 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 fun-filled stay, the campers will experience the culture of Germany’s most scenic regions, with an extracurricular program packed with sports, music, the arts and other enjoyable activities. The Goethe-Institut offers all of this in language camps at every level.

AGE GROUPS
- 9 – 12 years
- 12 – 15 years
- 14 – 16 years
- 16 – 17 years
- 18 – 21 years

SERVICES
- Three weeks, 15 days of lessons
- Intensive course Monday to Friday, 84 UI, 28 UI per week
- max. class size: 16
- Camps 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

TRANSFER
A transfer service is available between the airport indicated on the website and the camp location between 8 am and 6 pm on the official arrival and departure dates. The cost of the return transfer is €150.

INTERNET AND BLOGS
- Internet access is available at all camp locations
- Every camp has its own blog during the camp session: blog.goethe.de/jugendkurse

UI = 45-minute teaching unit

* See current listings at www.goethe.de/youth
OUR CAMPS

CLASSIC SUMMER CAMP
Different age groups
Learn German and meet children and young people from all over the world in some of the most beautiful areas of Germany, combined with a wide range of leisure activities.

UNI CAMP
15 - 17 years
A rally on the university campus, conversations with students, a university lecture in German, information about studying options and a glance at Germany as a study and research location will arouse your interest in studying abroad.

GREEN FUTURE CAMP
14 - 17 years
For everyone who advocates climate protection and a green future and wants to combine learning a language with new knowledge. The camp offers workshops, excursions and the option to converse with experts on ecological issues.

CITY CAMP
Different age groups
Learn German in vibrant cities and go out and explore them. Here you can use your newly acquired language skills in cafés, shops, or at any of the cultural events on offer in the lively cities of Berlin or Cologne.

EXAM CAMP
13 - 17 years
At this camp, in addition to German lessons, participants receive extensive training in the desired examination format and in their strategies to successfully pass the exam. Examinations are included.

KIDS CAMP
9 - 12 years
The youngest participants learn German in a safe and natural environment. Lessons are playful and adapted to children, an extra large number of supervisors are there to take care of the children’s well-being and offer a lively leisure programme.

The latest information on our special camps is available at www.goethe.de/youth
GERMAN FOR ALL LEVELS
To get the young learners at our camps off to a running start, we begin with a placement test. That helps to make sure that everyone is placed in the right 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.
SHOW WHAT YOU CAN DO

EXAMINATIONS AND CERTIFICATES
During the camp sessions, 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 camps 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 camp 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 camp blog are always a big part of our camps – 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 CAMP MANAGEMENT
Our camp 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 camp participants and their parents for any questions and suggestions, and are always ready to help or provide advice. Parents can contact the camp coordinators by e-mail or telephone.

THE TEACHERS
The children and teens attending our camp programs 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 camp 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 camp. They are hand-picked by the Goethe-Institut for these camps and have plenty of experience in working with children and teens.

On average, at least one counselor is available for a maximum of 16 camp 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 AT A YOUTH CAMP

EXAMPLE – CLASSIC SUMMER CAMP

BREAKFAST WITH THE GROUP

LESSONS
Learning German at various levels, language games, grammar

BREAK WITH REFRESHMENTS

LESSONS

LUNCH WITH THE GROUP

AFTERNOON LESSONS, 2 times per week

BREAK WITH REFRESHMENTS

LEISURE-TIME PROGRAM
Sports, creative activities, hiking, short excursions, sightseeing

DINNER WITH THE GROUP

EVENING PROGRAM
Sports, creative activities, movies, disco or free time

LEISURE PROGRAM, OUTINGS, EXCURSIONS

Also on weekends

08:00–09:00
09:00–10:30
10:30–11:00
11:00–12:30
12:30–2:00
2:00–6:30
Flexible
2:00–6:30
6:30–7:30
from 7:30

A day at the youth camp

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE
A transfer service is available between the airport indicated on the website and the camp location between 8 am and 6 pm on the official arrival and departure dates.
- The cost of the return transfer is €150. You can book the transfer up to four weeks prior to the start of the camp. Please use the online form for this purpose.
- Our camp teams will be waiting for the young guests at the exit to the transit area in the arrivals hall. They will be holding Goethe-Institut signs and can identify themselves. On the departure date we will accompany our young guests to check-in.
- Please note that in case of a delayed flight, a transfer cannot be provided outside the official transfer times. In that case you will need to book a taxi. Information on taxi fares is available at www.goethe.de/youth

SUPERVISION AND CARE
The supervision and care of the under-18 participants attending our camps 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 camp leaders.
- By prior arrangement between parents and camp 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
Please take out medical insurance as well as accident and liability insurance for your child or check prior to arrival whether your child has insurance coverage in Germany. EU residents can obtain a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) from their insurer. Please give this card to your child.

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 camp 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 camp, participants under the age of 18 are not permitted to smoke or consume alcohol. House rules are made known at the start of the camp 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 camp.
STARTING YOUR ADVENTURE IN GERMANY

A time that will leave you with long-lasting, happy memories: The youth camps 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.