Courses for children and teens at the Goethe-Institut in Germany and Austria

Check list for preparing for your journey

Important documents

☐ Valid passport
☐ Visa
☐ Flight ticket (e-ticket)
☐ Copy of your child’s international vaccination pass including a valid PCR-test (48 hours and personalized) or antigen test (48 hours and personalized)

Important for your child’s health

☐ Any medication that your child takes regularly, including:
  Original package with patient information leaflet, in German or English
  Physician’s instructions on dosage

What clothes should my child take with them?

☐ Underwear
☐ Socks
☐ T-shirts (short- and long-sleeved)
☐ 3 pairs of jeans
☐ 3 pairs of shorts or skirts
☐ 1 jacket
☐ 2 pairs of pyjamas / sleepshirts
☐ 1 tracksuit

Since summers in Germany/Austria can also be cool and rainy, please pack a variety of suitable clothes...

.... for cool and/or rainy days:

☐ Rain gear (rain jacket/umbrella, sturdy shoes, and quick-drying pants, e.g. light sports pants)
  At least 2 warm pullovers or sweatshirts
  Scarf

.... for warm days:

☐ Sun hat
☐ Sunscreen
☐ Sunglasses
☐ Sleeveless t-shirts / tops

Notes
Swimsuit / bathing trunks

A very important topic: footwear. Since the weather can vary considerably, our advice is to bring the following:

- Sandals
- 1 pair of sturdy shoes that can bear getting dirty and wet
- 1 pair of low shoes
- Slippers / house shoes
- Indoor sports shoes with light-coloured soles
- Optional: rubber boots if necessary (particularly important for children’s courses)
- Optional: bathing shoes

- Toiletries (soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, cream, shower gel, shampoo, etc.)
- 2 towels, in case your child goes swimming (the boarding school provides towels for the showers)
- 1 notebook or notepad for lessons
- Pens and pencils
- Dictionary
- One passport photo
- Laundry bag for dirty washing

Still some space left in the suitcase? Then we’d also recommend the following:

- Sports gear for your child’s favorite sport
- Camera
- Alarm clock
- Pocket torch
- Photos of family and friends
- One cuddly toy

Please don’t forget: Put a name tag on your child’s clothes and valuable possessions.

Another tip: Give your child a check list of everything they are taking to make sure that nothing gets left behind when the course is over.

If you have any further questions – we’d be delighted to be of help.

And now we’d like to wish you and your child lots of fun packing and hope you’re looking forward to the course!

Your Young Learners’ Course Team
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