

## Year 8 German Exam Kapitel 1

### Week Commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2016

<b>Who?</b>	All students who study German in Year 8.
<b>What?</b>	An exam paper testing in listening and writing skills including a translation from German into English.
<b>When?</b>	In a double lesson in the week beginning 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2016. German teachers will confirm the exact day with individual classes. If there is no German lesson in this week, the exam will take place the week after.
<b>Where?</b>	Regular German classrooms.
<b>Why?</b>	To give students the experience of sitting a formal German exam in 2 skills. It will also give German teachers an opportunity to assess listening and writing skills and create targets for how to develop further.

### How to revise for the Year 8 German Exam

#### Listening Skills

- In preparation for the exam you could listen tasks on language websites like [www.languageonline.org.uk](http://www.languageonline.org.uk) and [www.BBC bitesize German](http://www.BBCbitesize.com) or [www.klar.co.uk](http://www.klar.co.uk)
- While listening to these exercises, make notes on what you hear.
- Try to summarise what you have heard and check by looking at the listening transcript
- Make sure you are familiar with different types of tasks that you might get by looking at the types of listening exercises we have covered in class for Kapitel .
- Make sure that you have a vocabulary list or record that covers each unit included in Kap 4.
- Build up your personal vocabulary by learning a small number of new words every day and get someone to test you or use Quizlet.

#### **In the exam:**

- Take a positive approach to your listening. Concentrate on what you can understand, not on difficult words and phrases.
- Listen to the excerpt before attempting to answer any questions but try to make notes as you go.

#### Writing Skills

- Students will be expected to write paragraph on free time and weather, using the present and the perfect (past tense). They should aim to include time expressions, connectives and different parts of the verb (Ich, er/sie, wir, sie). There will also be a short translation task from German into English.
- Draft a script of what you think might come up; practise learning it every day by writing it out. Check it to see where you could be going wrong.
- Do a mini test practise and get someone at home to test you and write out your paragraph with no help!
- Make sure you know key structures for your verb tenses as you need to clearly write in 2 tenses and word order rule: Verb =2<sup>nd</sup> idea!
- Revise punctuation. How many of these can you use accurately? . , ? ! : ; “
- Try to extend your writing by including longer opinions or mentioning more than one thing you are asked to write about.
- Check you know your vocabulary for Kapitel 4 to help you with the translation.

- When you translate, make sure what you have written makes sense in English.

### **Kapitel 1 Key words**

**The vocabulary for Kapitel 1 Logo 2 is attached on Edmodo but also use your notes in your exercise book to revise and learn. Also work again thoroughly through your worksheets that you have completed and are marked for Kapitel 1.**