



APPENDIX TO:

DEUTSCH MIT FELIX UND FRANZI VOLUME I

**SONG TEXTS, FLASHCARD TEMPLATES,
CULTURAL INFORMATION, TIPS FOR
TEACHING GRAMMAR, PRONOUNCEMENT
AND OTHER LANGUAGE FEATURES**

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Note: Audio recordings of the songs can be found on the Goethe-Institut London website under:

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Unit 1:

Hallo Song (Melodie: Nice one, Cyril)

*Hallo Felix. Hallo Franzi.
Hallo. Guten Morgen.
Hallo. Guten Tag.*

Hello Felix. Hello Franzi.
Hello. Good morning.
Hello. Good day.



Auf Wiedersehen Song (Melodie: Nice one, Cyril)

*Tschüss Felix. Tschüss Franzi.
Tschüss Freunde.
Auf Wiedersehen. Bis bald.*

Bye Felix. Bye Franzi.
Bye friends.
Goodbye. See you soon.

Unit 2:

Onkel Fritz (Melodie: Old McDonald had a farm)

*Onkel Fritz hat einen Zoo.
Hia, hia, ho.
Da laufen viele **Kühe** rum.
Hia, hia, ho.
Es macht **muh muh** hier.
Es macht **muh muh** da.
Hier **muh**, da **muh**, überall **muh muh**.
Onkel Fritz hat einen Zoo.
Hia, hia, ho.*

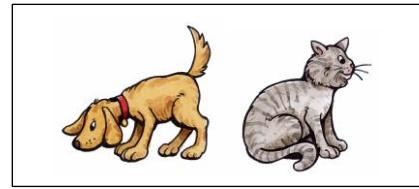
Note: Exchange animals and noises accordingly, e.g.:

*Krokodile – schnapp schnapp
Hunde – wau wau
Schweine – grunz grunz
Schafe – mäh mäh
Katzen – miau miau etc.*



Uncle Fritz (Melody: Old McDonald had a farm)

Uncle Fritz has a zoo.
Hia, hia, ho.
Many cows are running around.
Hia, hia, ho.
It goes **muh** **muh** here.
It goes **muh** **muh** there.
Here **muh**, there **muh**, everywhere **muh** **muh**.
Uncle Fritz has a zoo.
Hia, hia, ho.



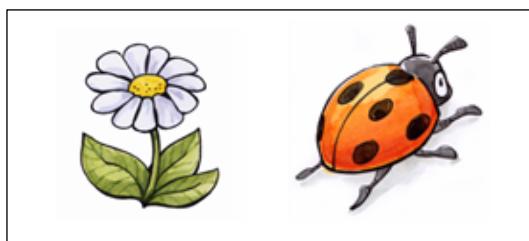
Wie geht's, Felix? (Melodie: Hickory Dickory Dock)

*Hallo Felix, wie geht's?
Hallo Felix, wie geht's?
Ja wunderbar, ja wunderbar
Es geht mir wunderbar.*

Hello Felix, how are you?
Hello Felix, how are you?
Yes wonderful, yes wonderful.
I am fine. / I feel wonderful.

*Hallo Franzi, wie geht's?
Hallo Franzi, wie geht's?
Danke gut, Danke gut.
Danke, es geht mir gut.*

Hello Franzi, how are you?
Hello Franzi, how are you?
Thanks good, thanks good.
Thank you, I am fine.





Unit 3:

Bienchen, summ herum



*Summ, summ, summ,
Bienchen summ herum.
Ei, wir tun dir nichts zu Leide,
flieg nur aus in Wald und
Heide.
Summ, summ, summ,
Bienchen summ herum.*

*Summ, summ, summ,
Bienchen summ herum.
Such in Blumen, such in
Blümchen
dir ein Tröpfchen, dir ein
Krümchen.
Summ, summ, summ,
Bienchen summ herum.*

Buzz, buzz, buzz,
Bees buzz around!
Oh, we don't do you any harm
We just fly in forests and
meadows.
Buzz, buzz, buzz,
Bees buzz around!

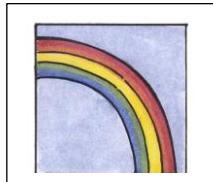
Buzz, buzz, buzz,
Bees buzz around!
Look in flowers, look in little
flowers,
For you a droplet, for you a
little crumb!
Buzz, buzz, buzz,
Bees buzz around!

Unit 4:

Farbenlied (Melodie: Brother Jacob)

*Blau blau blau blau
Rot rot rot rot
Weiβ weiβ weiβ
Weiβ weiβ weiβ
Blau rot und weiβ
Blau rot und weiβ
Blau – rot – weiβ*

Blue blue blue blue
Red red red red
White white white
White white white
Blue red and white
Blue red and white
Blue red white



Regenbogenfarben

(Melodie: I can sing a rainbow...)

*Rot und Gelb und Blau und
Grün
Grau und Rosa und Schwarz
Braun, Orange und Lila
Das sind Farben.
Und sie sind so schön.*

*Red and yellow and blue and
green
Grey and pink and black
Brown, orange und violet
These are colours.
And they are so beautiful.*

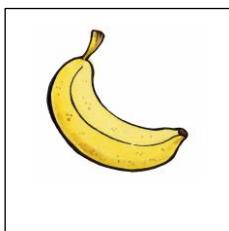
Unit 5:

Ich habe eine Banane

*Ich habe eine Banane und die Banane ist gelb.
Die ist oben gelb,
die ist unten gelb,
die ist oben unten
gelb gelb gelb.
Ich habe eine Banane und die Banane ist gelb.*

I got a banana

I got a banana and the banana is yellow.
It is yellow above,
it is yellow below,
it is above below
yellow yellow yellow.
I got a banana and the banana is yellow.





Unit 6:

Wir waschen

*Wir waschen, wir waschen,
wir waschen den ganzen Tag.
Wir waschen, wir waschen,
wir waschen den ganzen Tag.*

*Wir bügeln, wir bügeln,
wir bügeln den ganzen Tag.
Wir bügeln, wir bügeln,
wir bügeln den ganzen Tag.*

We are washing

We are washing, (2x)
We are washing all day long.
We are washing, (2x)
We are washing all day long.

We are ironing, we are ironing,
We are ironing all day long.
We are ironing, we are ironing,
We are ironing all day long.



(The original title of this song starts with the following lyrics: 'Zeigt her eure Füße, zeigt her eure Schuh, und sehet den fleißigen Waschfrauen zu: Sie waschen, sie waschen, sie waschen den ganzen Tag. Sie spülen, sie spülen, sie spülen den ganzen Tag'. For the Key Stage 2 teaching materials at hand we have simplified the text and recorded the song accordingly.)

Mein Hut, der hat drei Ecken

*Mein Hut, der hat drei Ecken,
drei Ecken hat mein Hut.
Und hätt' er nicht drei Ecken,
so wär's auch nicht mein Hut.*

My hat, it has three corners,
Three corners, my hat has.
And if it didn't have 3 corners,
my hat wouldn't be my hat.

Note: You start out by singing the full lyrics of the song. After that the text is repeated by leaving out the first word „Mein“. In the third run two words are skipped “Mein Hut”. Accordingly, each time one more word is left out till there aren't any left.



Hampelmannlied

*Jetzt steigt Hampelmann,
jetzt steigt Hampelmann
aus seinem Bett heraus.*

*Oh, du mein Hampelmann, mein Hampelmann.
Oh, du mein Hampelmann, mein Hampelmann bist du.*

*Jetzt zieht Hampelmann,
jetzt zieht Hampelmann
sich **seine Hose** an.*

*Oh, du mein Hampelmann, mein Hampelmann.
Oh, du mein Hampelmann, mein Hampelmann bist du.*

Note: Exchange clothes accordingly, e.g.:

seine Jacke	seine Socken	die Regenjacke
den Pullover	seine Mütze	seine Handschuhe
seinen Mantel	die Unterwäsche	sein blaues T-Shirt

Jumping Jack Song

Now the Jumping Jack booms out,
now the Jumping Jack booms out,
booms out of his bed.

Oh, my dear Jumping Jack, my dear Jumping Jack.
Oh, you are my Jumping Jack, my Jumping Jack are you.

Now the Jumping Jack dresses up,
now the Jumping Jack dresses up,
gets **his trousers** on.

Oh, my dear Jumping Jack, my dear Jumping Jack.
Oh, you are my Jumping Jack, my Jumping Jack are you.



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Unit 7:

Wir haben Hunger

*Wir haben Hunger, Hunger,
Hunger,
haben Hunger, Hunger, Hunger,
haben Hunger, Hunger, Hunger,
haben Durst.*

*Wo bleibt das Essen, Essen,
Essen,
bleibt das Essen, Essen, Essen,
bleibt das Essen, Essen, Essen,
bleibt die Wurst?*

(optional)

*Wenn wir nichts kriegen,
kriegen, kriegen,
fress' mer Fliegen, Fliegen,
Fliegen,
fress' mer Fliegen, Fliegen,
Fliegen, von der Wand.*

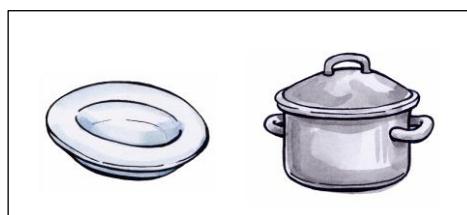
We are hungry

We are hungry, ...
are hungry, ...
are hungry, ...
are thirsty.

Where is the dinner, ...
...
is the dinner, ...
is the dinner, ...
is the sausage?

(optional)

Unless we don't get ...
anything,
we will eat flies, ...
...
we will eat flies, ...
from the wall.



Note: The song is usually sung by German children when attending holiday camps expecting canteen food. You wouldn't sing it at home.



Unit 8:

Kopf, Schultern, Knie und Zehen

(Melodie: Head and shoulders, knees and toes)

*Kopf, Schultern, Knie und Zeh'n, Knie und Zeh'n.
Kopf, Schultern, Knie und Zeh'n, Knie und Zeh'n.
Augen, Ohren, Nase, Mund.
Kopf, Schultern, Knie und Zeh'n, Knie und Zeh'n.*

(Note: The "e" in "Zehen" is left out so that the syllables fit in the melody.)

Head, shoulders, knees and toes (Melody: Head and shoulders, knees and toes)

*Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes.
Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes.
Eyes, ears, nose and mouth.
Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes.*

Meine Hände sind verschwunden

*Meine Hände sind
verschwunden,
ich habe **keine Hände** mehr.
Ei, da **sind die Hände** wieder.
Tra la la la la la.*

My hands have
disappeared.
I don't have **hands** anymore.
Ei, there **the hands are**
again. Tra la la la la la.

Note: Exchange parts of the body accordingly, e.g:

*meine Augen sind – keine Augen – sind die Augen
meine Arme sind – keine Arme – sind die Arme
meine Nase ist – keine Nase – ist die Nase
mein Mund, der ist – keinen Mund – ist der Mund*



Unit 9:

Zum Geburtstag viel Glück

Zum Geburtstag viel Glück,
zum Geburtstag viel Glück,
zum Geburtstag,
liebe (if girl) ... / *lieber* (if boy)...
zum Geburtstag viel Glück.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to you, Happy
Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday dear
Happy Birthday to you!

Zahlenlied

1 2 3, 1 2 3 4 5,
1 2 3, 1 2 3 4 5,
6 7 8, 6 7 8 9 10,
6 7 8, 6 7 8 9 10.



Unit 10:

Mein Haus ist bunt

Was ist das?
Was ist das?
Sag mir, was ist das?
Was ist das?
Was ist das?
Sag mir, was ist das?
Es ist **rot, rot, rot** ist es.
Es ist **weiß, weiß, weiß** ist es.
Rot ist es, **weiß** ist es.
Ja, das ist mein **Haus**.

My house is multi-coloured

What is this?
What is this?
Tell me, what is this?
What is this?
What is this?
Tell me, what is this?
It is **red, red, red** it is.
It is **white, white, white** it is.
Red it is, **white** is this.
Yes, this is my **house**.

Note: Exchange colours and items accordingly (you need colours and items with one syllable), e.g.:

mein Raum – my room
mein Hund – my dog
mein Kleid – my dress
mein Bild – my picture

mein Hemd - my shirt
mein Bär – my bear
mein Hut – my hat
mein Frosch – my frog



MEIN HAUS IST BUNT

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Unit 11:

Wie ist das Wetter heute?

*Wie ist das Wetter heute?
Wie ist das Wetter heute?
Wie ist das Wetter heute?
Die Sonne scheint,
die Sonne scheint,
das Wetter ist so schön*

*Wie ist das Wetter heute? (3x)
Es schneit, es schneit,
der Schnee macht alles weiß.*

*Wie ist das Wetter heute? (3x)
Es regnet, es regnet,
der Regen macht alles nass.*

What is the weather like today?
What is the weather like today?
What is the weather like today?
The sun is shining.
The sun is shining.
The weather is so nice.

What is the weather like today?
It is snowing, (2x)
the snow makes everything white.

What is the weather like today?
It is raining, (2x)
The rain makes everything wet.



Cultural Unit Nikolaus:

Nikolauslied

*Lasst uns froh und munter sein.
Und uns recht von Herzen freu'n.
Lustig, lustig, tra-la-la-la-la.
Bald ist Nikolausabend da.
Bald ist Nikolausabend da.*

*Dann stell ich den Teller auf.
Nik'laus legt gewiss was drauf.
Lustig, lustig, tra-la-la-la-la.
Bald ist Nik'lausabend da.
Bald ist Nik'lausabend da.*

*Wenn ich schlaf, dann träume ich:
Jetzt bringt Nikolaus was für mich.
Lustig, lustig, tra-la-la-la-l.
Bald ist Nikolausabend da.
Bald ist Nikolausabend da.
Wenn ich aufgestanden bin,
Lauf ich schnell zum Teller hin.
Lustig, lustig, tra-la-la-la-la.
Bald ist Nikolausabend da.
Bald ist Nikolausabend da.*

*Niklaus ist ein guter Mann,
Dem man nicht g'nug danken kann.
Lustig, lustig, tra-la-la-la-la.
Bald ist Nikolausabend da.
Bald ist Nik'lausabend da.*



St. Nicholas Song

Let's be delighted and cheerful
and looking forward seeing the Lord
Jolly, jolly, tra-la-la-la-la.
St. Nicholas Eve is coming soon.
St. Nicholas Eve is coming soon.

Then I will put out my St. Nicholas boot.
Indeed, St. Nicholas will bring something.
Jolly, jolly, tra-la-la-la-la.
St. Nicholas Eve will be soon.
St. Nicholas Eve will be soon.

When I am asleep, I am dreaming:
Now, St. Nicholas is bringing something for me.
Jolly, jolly, tra-la-la-la-la.
St. Nicholas Eve is around soon.
St. Nicholas Eve is around soon.

Then, when I wake up,
I run to my boot quickly.
Jolly, jolly, tra-la-la-la-la.
St. Nicholas Eve will be soon.
St. Nicholas Eve will be soon.

St. Nicholas is a good man
who one cannot be thanked enough.
Jolly, jolly, tra-la-la-la-la.
St. Nicholas Eve is around soon.
St. Nicholas Eve is around soon.

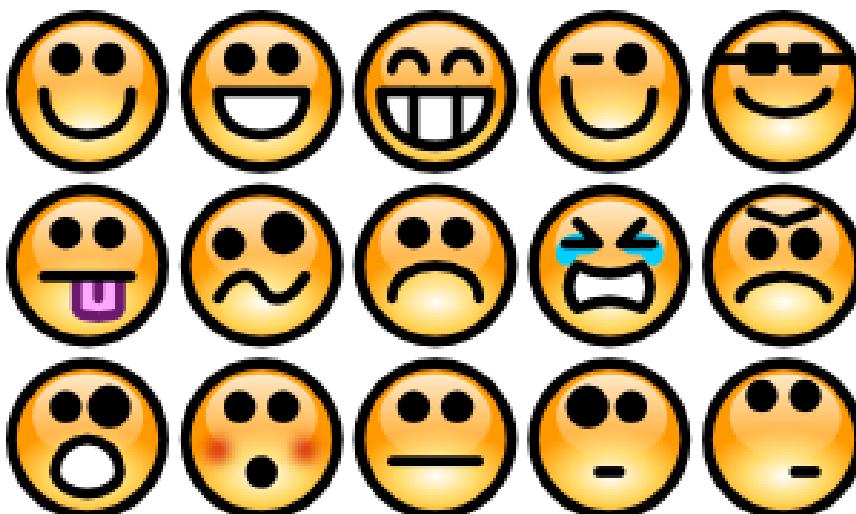


Part B: Images for Flash Cards

Topics

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Moods





Flags

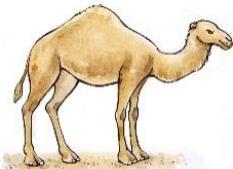
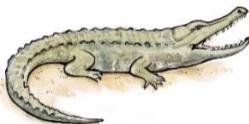
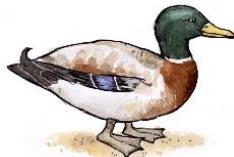
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Belgien	Schweiz	Liechten- stein	Frank- reich
Namibia	Polen	Luxemburg	Brasilien

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Animals

			
			
das Kamel	das Krokodil	die Ente	der Bär
der Frosch	die Katze	der Hund	der Elefant

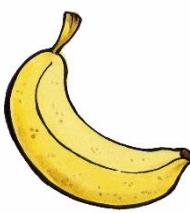
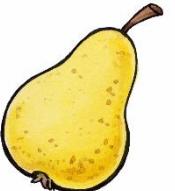
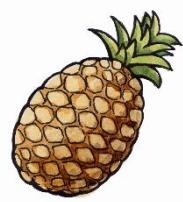
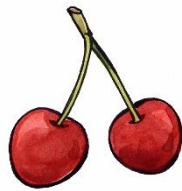
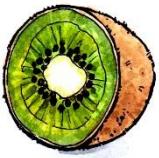


Colours

gelb	weiß	grün	blau
orange	rot	lila	pink
grau	schwarz	braun	rosa



Fruit

			
			
der Apfel	die Banane	die Birne	die Ananas
die Kirsche	die Orange	die Erdbeere	die Kiwi



Clothes

		die Jacke	das Hemd
die Hose	das Kleid	die Socke	der Schuh
die Mütze	der Schal	der Pullover	der Rock



Breakfast Items

das Brot	die Butter	der Käse	die Wurst
die Milch	der Saft	das Brötchen	Müsli mit Früchten



Numbers

1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12
eins	zwei	drei	vier
fünf	sechs	sieben	acht
neun	zehn	elf	zwölf

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Miscellaneous items for memory game

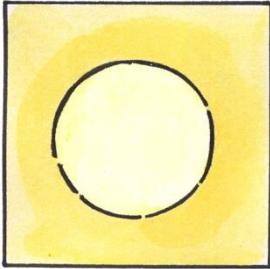
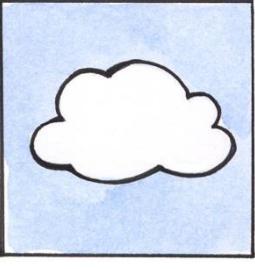
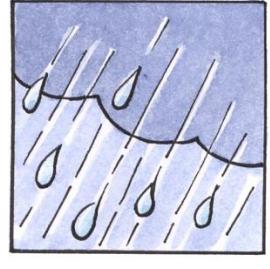
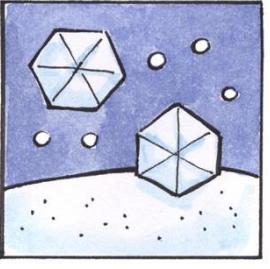
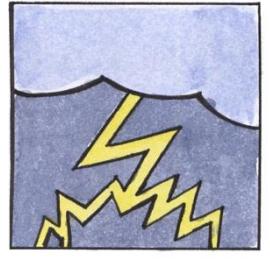
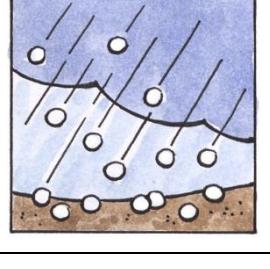
	der Obstsalat		der Regenbogen
	das Haus		die Ente
	die Kirsche		der Frosch
	die Birne		der Finger
	die Mütze		die Hose

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Weather

			
			
		die Sonne	die Wolke
der Regen	der Wind	der Schnee	der Sturm
der Blitz	der Donner	der Hagel	der Nebel

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Seasons

A tree with a dense canopy of pink cherry blossoms.	A tree with a dense canopy of green leaves.	A tree with a dense canopy of yellow and orange autumn leaves.	A tree with bare branches and a few small, dried leaves on the ground.
Frühling	Sommer	Herbst	Winter

Days of the week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Days of the week
Montag	Dienstag	Mittwoch	Donnerstag
Freitag	Sonnabend	Sonntag	Tage der Woche

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Part C: Cultural Tips

- **Briefkasten:** In Germany, letterboxes are yellow not red. The same goes for phone boxes that are yellow instead of red.
- **Zoo in Berlin:** The Zoo Berlin is very famous. It is over 150 years old and was the very first zoo in Germany. Many different animals live in the zoo. A big aquarium is also part of the zoo.
- **Ländervorwahlen (Country Codes):** In order to call someone in another country, it is necessary to dial a country code in addition to the normal phone number. Every country has a different country code. For most European countries the country code starts with a double zero (replaceable by +) and is followed by two more digits. The country code for Germany is 0049 or +49. The British country code is 0044 or +44.

The country code is then followed by the area code. Since area codes usually start with a zero, which is omitted when making an international call.

This website provides a useful overview over all country codes that exist:
<http://countrycode.org/>

Example: If you are in Germany and you want to call the Goethe-Institut in London, you have to dial the following:

**0044 20 75964000 or
+44 20 75964000 (on mobile phones)**

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- **Deutsche Zungenbrecher:**

Fischers Fritze fischt frische Fische; frische Fische fischt Fischers Fritze.
Fisher's errand boy is fishing fresh fish, fresh fish are fished by Fisher's errand boy.

Nickende Nichten und wippende Fichten. Nodding nieces and seeswing spruces.

Am zehnten Zehnten um zehn Uhr zogen zehn zahme Ziegen zehn Zentner Zucker zum Zoo. On October 10 at 10:10 ten tame goats dragged ten hundred weight of sugar to the zoo.

Der Dachdecker deckt dein Dach, drum dank dem Dachdecker, der dein Dach deckt. The roofer is roofing your roof therefore thank the roofer who is roofing your roof.

Blaukraut bleibt Blaukraut und Brautkleid bleibt Brautkleid. Wedding dress stays wedding dress and red cabbage stays red cabbage.

- **Expressions that are commonly used in English and have a German origin:**

- *Angst*
- *Fest*
- *kaputt*
- *Kindergarten*
- *Rucksack*
- *stark*
- *über*
- *Weltschmerz*
- *wunderbar*
- *Wunderkind*
- *Zeitgeist*

- **Expressions that are commonly used in German and have an English origin:**

- *Babysitter*
- *Brainstorming*
- *chillen*
- *downloaden*
- *Highlight*
- *shoppen*
- *TV*



- **English expressions that are used in German but have a different meaning:**

Handy [həndi] mobile phone

fast [fast] almost

bald [balt] soon

Gift [gift] poison

Kind [kint] child



- **Facts about Germany:** There are 80 million people living in Germany. Germany's capital is Berlin. Other big cities are Hamburg in the North, Cologne (*Köln*) and Frankfurt in the centre and Munich (*München*) in the South. Germany is divided into 16 federal states called *Bundesländer*. Each *Bundesland* has a federal government. Germany's countryside is very diverse with beautiful coastlines in the North and the Alps in the South. During the Cold War, Germany was divided into two separate states: Western Germany and the German Democratic Republic in the East. Reunification took place in 1990 after the Berlin Wall came down.

(You can find further information about Germany also as a travel destination on the website of the German National Tourist Office www.germany.travel/de)

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- **Fasching/Karneval:** The Carnival customs and traditions across Germany are manifold and differ. The festive season before Lent has even different names in different parts of Germany. In parts of East and South Germany, as well as in Austria, the carnival is called *Fasching*. In other parts, mainly in the South-West, the carnival is called *Fastnacht* or *Fasnet*; in Switzerland, *Fasnacht*. Usually, carnival celebrations include the dressing up of people in costumes and a procession through town.
- **Geburtstagskuchen /Traditional birthday cakes in Germany are:**

Bienenstich: Bienenstich (*Bee sting cake*) is a sweet dough cake with a topping of sweet almonds and a cream or custard filling.

Donauwelle: Donauwelle (*Danube wave*) is a sheet cake with cherries, buttercream and chocolate. Its name derives from the wavy pattern that is created by the mixture of chocolate and normal dough.

Quarkkuchen: German-style cheesecake uses quark cheese made from sour milk.

Marmorkuchen: Marble cake



- **German breakfast:** German breakfast customs differ from British eating habits. There is no "Full English Breakfast" with sausages, beans and bacon. Instead, in Germany people like to eat bread rolls, cheese, cold meats and boiled eggs for breakfast. In German *Marmelade* refers to any kind of jam or marmelade and not only to orange marmalade. Bread rolls are a German speciality. People love to eat them when freshly baked, and they can come in a variety of forms. Bread rolls have different names in different parts of Germany, mainly used when people speak in their regional dialect. You might hear the words "*Schrippen*" in Berlin, "*Weckle*" in Baden, "*Semmeln*" in Bavaria.



- **German flag:** The colours of the German flag have a historic meaning and since the 19th century stand for national unity and democracy. Until 1990 the German Democratic Republic had almost an identical flag using the same colours but in addition to that with a National Emblem, featuring a hammer and a compass, surrounded by a ring of rye in its centre.
- **"Guten Appetit":** When you sit down to eat, everyone at the table says to each other "Guten Appetit". It is considered to be rude to start eating without saying it. With children the following rhyme (or a similar version) is sometimes used:

Piep, piep, piep, guten Appetit.

Piep, piep, piep, wir haben uns alle lieb,

*piep, piep, piep, jeder esse was er kann, nur nicht seinen Nebenmann,
piep, piep, piep, guten Appetit.*

- **How to post a postcard:** When posting a letter or postcard to Germany, it is important to know that the order in which to put post code and city differs from the British way. The postcode comes first followed by the city. Normally, you don't put the region on. In order to make sure that the postman sees straight away that your letter is going to Germany, you have to put a capital D and a hyphen (for Deutschland) in front of the postcode and write GERMANY also in capital letters in the bottom line.

Example:

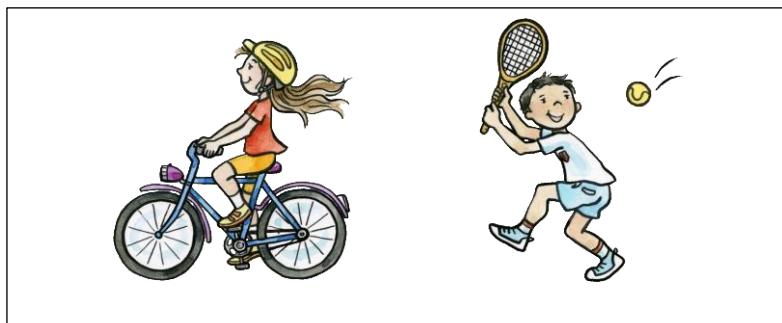
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- **Typical German names for boys in 1940, 1970 und 2010**

- **1940:** Karl, Heinrich, Robert, Bernhard, Franz, Ernst, Jürgen, Günter, Horst, Herbert, Ulrich, Siegfried, Hermann, Kurt, Wilhelm, Werner, Paul, Dieter, Uwe, Reinhard
- **1970:** Stefan, Martin, Ralf, Karsten, Jörg, Mark, Tobias, Matthias, Heiko, Jan, Maik, Thomas, Sven, Alexander, Volker, Kai, Ingo, Marco, Oliver, Torsten
- **2010:** Leon, Finn, Jonas, Ben, David, Moritz, Felix, Julian, Noah, Tim, Elias, Max, Philipp, Fabian, Simon, Kevin, Lukas, Luca, Niklas, Jannik



- **Typical German names for girls in 1940, 1970 and 2010**

- **1940:** Heidi, Margarete, Renate, Martha, Marlies, Gerda, Elisabeth, Maria, Paula, Rita, Rosemarie, Dagmar, Petra, Gertrud, Adelheid, Marlene, Karola, Elfriede, Dorothea, Sieglinde
- **1970:** Simone, Andrea, Kerstin, Heike, Katja, Claudia, Anja, Birgit, Silke, Christine, Manuela, Elke, Silvia, Tanja, Astrid, Bettina, Michaela, Susanne, Sabine, Nicole
- **2010:** Nele, Mia, Leonie, Emma, Luisa, Lina, Sofia, Sarah, Hannah, Johanna, Leni, Amelie, Maja, Lilli, Alina, Amy, Zoe, Lea, Lara, Sophia



- **Wetterfrosch:** In former times frogs were considered to be able to predict the weather. They were put in a glass jar with a miniature ladder. If the frog climbed the ladder, there would be good weather while on days with bad weather the frog would remain at the bottom of the jar. In warm conditions insects tend to fly higher than on colder days. In order to reach and eat the insects, the frog would therefore climb the ladder.



- **Wetterbericht:**

Example:

Hier ist der Wetterbericht aus Berlin. Der Sommer in Berlin zeigt seine beste Seite. Es ist sonnig und wir haben nur wenig Wind. Die Temperatur liegt am Mittag bei 28 Grad Celsius. Am Abend kommen Wolken auf. Aber es bleibt warm.

Here is the weather forecast for Berlin. The summer shows its best side. It is sunny and we only have little wind. The temperature is about 28 degrees Celsius at noon. In the evening clouds will appear. But it will stay warm.



Part D: A few explanations to German grammar and sounds

German Umlaut:

The letters ä, ö and ü are the so called *Umlaute* or diacritic letters in German. The letter 'ä' is pronounced as 'a' and 'e' together. 'Ö' is pronounced as 'o' and 'e' together and 'ü' is pronounced as 'u' followed by 'e'. In earlier times before the printing press was introduced many words were spelt accordingly (a good example is the name *Goethe*). However, in order to save some space, German printers exchanged the 'e' first by a small 'e' placed above the vowel, which was then even more simplified and transformed into two vertical dashes that eventually became two dots.

Examples:

<i>der Käse</i>	cheese
<i>die Hände</i>	hands
<i>Österreich</i>	Austria
<i>der Löwe</i>	lion
<i>grün</i>	green
<i>die Grüße</i>	greetings

Sharp 's' ('ß') and 'ss'

The sharp 's' is also called 'eszett' in German. It is used for unvoiced 's' sounds that follow a long vowel. There is no upper case 'ß'.

Examples:

<i>groß</i>	big
<i>der Fuß</i>	foot
<i>das Maß</i>	measure



A so-called diphthong (two vowels one after the other) is also regarded to be a long vowel:

Example:

weiß	white
grau	grey

In contrast to that short vowels are followed by the usage of double 's' :

Examples:

der Kuss	kiss
Tschüss	bye

Capitalisation

In German nouns are capitalised. You can usually recognise them by one of the accompanying articles (*der, die, das, ein, eine*). Note that sometimes words are made a noun. In English a similar process can be seen when using the word "Swimming" in a sentence like: Swimming is fun. Originally the word was a verb but it is used as a noun (the subject) here.

Examples:

das Haus

die Ente

der Frosch

ein Hut

eine Farbe

(Please note that the gender of a word does not necessarily match the accompanying article. Example: *das Mädchen*. Also, there are different cases with different endings. However, at KS 2 you would not explain the cases to your students or correct the endings. It is more important to learn expressions and how they are used at this stage. The children will then learn the right forms in those expressions.)



Part E: Let's see what I have learnt!

Your pupils can use the table below to write down their first words and phrases in German. This diary-like table is recommended as a possibility to measure, record, and prove progress but also to help the teacher plan next steps. We have given you a few examples what it could look like:

Date	What I have learnt	How to say that in German	Comments
	I learnt how to greet people.	Guten Tag. Guten Morgen. Hallo.	Germans sometimes shake hands when they say Hello to each other.
	I learnt how to say "I am" and exchange the words to ask a question: "Am I"	"Ich bin" und "Bin ich?"	„I“ is not written with a capital letter in German, only at the beginning of a sentence.
	...to say my name	Ich heiße... Ich bin ...	„ß“ is a special letter in German, called es-zet, pronounced like the "s" in "sound"



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Part F: Don't be afraid of puppets!

First, make yourself familiar with a puppet. Feel how it works and how you can move arms, legs, etc. Try to grab/hold something with the puppet. Is it possible to hold a piece of paper or a book with the puppet's hands? It is important that you know the puppet's possibilities and limitations.

Find a quiet space with a mirror. Start experimenting with different voices. Each puppet needs a particular voice. Choose a voice you are comfortable with talking for quite a while. Talk quietly in the voice and shout in the voice. Don't be shy!

Stay in character. All puppets have a certain character, e.g. lively and loud, shy and quiet, cheeky. Whatever the puppet does it needs to be typical for that character.

Try to practise in front of a mirror to see what you and the puppet look like. Get used to talking to your character. You have to use your 'normal' voice and switch to the character's voice. Try a simple conversation like:

You: Hello! I am Peter. Who are you?

Puppet: I am Kaspar. I like eating Pizza. What do you like?

You: I like eating ice cream.

The more you practise the better you become. Your puppets' voices and actions will become natural to you. Have fun using puppets!



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