

# LIVING LANGUAGE®

## BEGINNER GERMAN COURSE OUTLINE

Each course level includes **10** comprehensive lessons, with vocabulary, grammar, culture, clear and simple explanations, practice exercises, and virtual immersion activities designed to help you bring your new language to life. Each lesson includes:

- ∞ 2 Dialogues that you can hear at both Conversational and Pronunciation Speeds
- ∞ 2 Vocabulary Building Sections with full audio support
- ∞ Clear grammar notes with simple explanations and examples that you can listen to
- ∞ Vocabulary building and grammar review exercises
- ∞ Real-life and internet-based immersion activities for additional practice
- ∞ Culture notes with useful information, tips, additional vocabulary, and more

You'll also have access to:

- ∞ Downloadable Lesson Audio for practice on the go
- ∞ A comprehensive Grammar Summary, including verb conjugation charts and pronunciation tips.
- ∞ A German-English / English-German glossary
- ∞ Language Learning Tips
- ∞ A comprehensive User's Guide
- ∞ A convenient Note-taking Feature

This is what you'll learn in each lesson:

### Lektion 1

#### ***Begrüßungen und Vorstellungen!* (Greetings and Introductions!)**

Learn the most important basics, including how to greet people, make introductions, give basic information about yourself, and ask about others. Start out slowly with very simple sentences and basic vocabulary.

- A. Introduction
  - a. Welcome
  - b. Culture Stop
  - c. Discovery Activity
- B. Conversation 1
  - a. Dialogue
  - b. Discovery Activity
- C. Vocabulary 1
  - a. Vocabulary Building

- b. Vocabulary Practice 1
- c. Vocabulary Practice 2
- D. Grammar
  - a. Grammar 1: **Articles and Gender**
  - b. Grammar 2: **Formal and Informal "You"**
  - c. Grammar 3: ***Sein* (To Be)**
  - d. Grammar Practices 1-3
  - e. Grammar Review
- E. Conversation 2
  - a. Dialogue
- F. Vocabulary 2
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice
  - c. Discovery Activity
- G. Finish
  - a. Culture Stop: **Formal and Polite Forms of Address**
  - b. Language Task
  - c. Exit

## Lektion 2

### ***Zu Hause* (At Home)**

Learn vocabulary for talking about places and objects around you. Learn how to form sentences about your life, ask simple questions, and use basic constructions with *have* and *there is/there are*.

- A. Introduction
  - a. Culture Stop
  - b. Discovery Activity
- B. Conversation 1
  - a. Dialogue
  - b. Discovery Activity
- C. Vocabulary 1
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice 1
  - c. Vocabulary Practice 2
- D. Grammar
  - a. Grammar 1: **Plurals**
  - b. Grammar 2: **There Is / There Are and Yes-No Questions**
  - c. Grammar 3: ***Haben* (To Have)**
  - d. Grammar Practices 1-3
  - e. Grammar Review
- E. Conversation 2
  - a. Dialogue
- F. Vocabulary 2
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice
  - c. Discovery Activity
- G. Finish

- a. Culture Stop: **Home Life and Entertaining at Home in German-speaking Countries**
- b. Language Task
- c. Exit

### Lektion 3

#### ***Farbe und Form (Color and Shape)***

Learn more about asking questions and describing the things around you. Also learn how to make simple sentences negative, and continue to build your basic vocabulary and proficiency.

- A. Introduction
  - a. Welcome
  - b. Culture Stop
  - c. Discovery Activity
- B. Conversation 1
  - a. Dialogue
  - b. Discovery Activity
- C. Vocabulary 1
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice 1
  - c. Vocabulary Practice 2
- D. Grammar
  - a. Grammar 1: **Adjective Agreement**
  - b. Grammar 2: **Asking Questions**
  - c. Grammar 3: **Negation**
  - d. Grammar Practices 1-3
  - e. Grammar Review
- E. Conversation 2
  - a. Dialogue
- F. Vocabulary 2
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice
  - c. Discovery Activity
- G. Finish
  - a. Culture Stop: **Asking Questions and Talking About Favorite Things in German**
  - b. Language Task
  - c. Exit

### Lektion 4

#### ***Was bin ich? (What am I?)***

Learn how to describe yourself and others, including where you're from. Learn how to express possession with words like *my* and *your*. Learn how to use verbs to talk about your life and daily experiences.

- A. Introduction
  - a. Welcome
  - b. Culture Stop

- c. Discovery Activity
- B. Conversation 1
  - a. Dialogue
  - b. Discovery Activity
- C. Vocabulary 1
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice 1
  - c. Vocabulary Practice 2
- D. Grammar
  - a. Grammar 1: **Using Verbs**
  - b. Grammar 2: **Possessives**
  - c. Grammar 3: **Word Order**
  - d. Grammar Practices 1-3
  - e. Grammar Review
- E. Conversation 2
  - a. Dialogue
- F. Vocabulary 2
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice
  - c. Discovery Activity
- G. Finish
  - a. Culture Stop: **Adjusting Nouns Based on Gender and Calling Over the Waiter or Waitress in German**
  - b. Language Task
  - c. Exit

## Lektion 5

### ***Alles über die Familie!* (Everything About the Family!)**

Learn how to talk about your family and ask about other people's families. Learn how to count and master the very important skill of asking questions with words like *what, who, where*, and so on. Take a very important step in building your proficiency by becoming introduced to a key grammatical concept in German, cases.

- A. Introduction
  - a. Welcome
  - b. Culture Stop
  - c. Discovery Activity
- B. Conversation 1
  - a. Dialogue
  - b. Discovery Activity
- C. Vocabulary 1
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice 1
  - c. Vocabulary Practice 2
- D. Grammar
  - a. Grammar 1: **Numbers**
  - b. Grammar 2: **Introduction to Cases and the Accusative Case**

- c. Grammar 3: **Question Words**
- d. Grammar Practices 1-3
- e. Grammar Review
- E. Conversation 2
  - a. Dialogue
- F. Vocabulary 2
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice
  - c. Discovery Activity
- G. Finish
  - a. Culture Stop: **Family Life in German-speaking Countries**
  - b. Language Task
  - c. Exit

## Lektion 6

### ***Tagesablauf* (Daily Routine)**

Talk about your own daily routine by learning the days of the week and how to tell time. Also learn how to speak about months and seasons. Continue to increase your proficiency with more essential vocabulary related to everyday life, and more key grammar.

- A. Introduction
  - a. Welcome
  - b. Culture Stop
  - c. Discovery Activity
- B. Conversation 1
  - a. Dialogue
  - b. Discovery Activity
- C. Vocabulary 1
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice 1
  - c. Vocabulary Practice 2
- D. Grammar
  - a. Grammar 1: **The Dative Case**
  - b. Grammar 2: **Telling Time**
  - c. Grammar 3: **Days of the Week, Months and Seasons**
  - d. Grammar Practices 1-3
  - e. Grammar Review
- E. Conversation 2
  - a. Dialogue
- F. Vocabulary 2
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice
  - c. Discovery Activity
- G. Finish
  - a. Culture Stop: **The Importance of Punctuality and Schedules in the German-speaking World**
  - b. Language Task
  - c. Exit

## Lektion 7

***Wären Sie so nett? (Would you be so kind?)***

Learn everything you need to know about food and restaurants, including essential vocabulary related to food and menu items, as well as expressions for ordering in a restaurant. Continue to learn structures for forming more complex sentences.

- A. Introduction
  - a. Welcome
  - b. Culture Stop
  - c. Discovery Activity
- B. Conversation 1
  - a. Dialogue
  - b. Discovery Activity
- C. Vocabulary 1
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice 1
  - c. Vocabulary Practice 2
- D. Grammar
  - a. Grammar 1: **Polite Requests**
  - b. Grammar 2: **Possessives in the Dative and Accusative**
  - c. Grammar 3: **Two-Way Prepositions**
  - d. Grammar Practices 1-3
  - e. Grammar Review
- E. Conversation 2
  - a. Dialogue
- F. Vocabulary 2
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice
  - c. Discovery Activity
- G. Finish
  - a. Culture Stop: **Dining Etiquette and Tipping in Germany**
  - b. Language Task
  - c. Exit

## Lektion 8

***Wegbeschreibung (Directions)***

Learn how to ask for directions and get around town. Learn more about expressing location and direction, so you can say where things are, and where you're going.

- A. Introduction
  - a. Welcome
  - b. Culture Stop
  - c. Discovery Activity
- B. Conversation 1
  - a. Dialogue
  - b. Discovery Activity

- C. Vocabulary 1
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice 1
  - c. Vocabulary Practice 2
- D. Grammar
  - a. Grammar 1: **Interrogatives**
  - b. Grammar 2: **Adjective Endings in the Accusative and Dative Cases**
  - c. Grammar 3: **Imperatives**
  - d. Grammar Practices 1-3
  - e. Grammar Review
- E. Conversation 2
  - a. Dialogue
- F. Vocabulary 2
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice
  - c. Discovery Activity
- G. Finish
  - a. Culture Stop: **Understanding the Directions You Get: Would You Please Repeat That?**
  - b. Language Task
  - c. Exit

## Lektion 9

### ***Wieviel kostet das?* (How much does that cost?)**

Focus on matters related to money, so you can put your new language to a very practical use, shopping. Learn key vocabulary related to buying different types of items at different types of stores.

- A. Introduction
  - a. Welcome
  - b. Culture Stop
  - c. Discovery Activity
- B. Conversation 1
  - a. Dialogue
  - b. Discovery Activity
- C. Vocabulary 1
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice 1
  - c. Vocabulary Practice 2
- D. Grammar
  - a. Grammar 1: **The Genitive Case**
  - b. Grammar 2: **Genitive Prepositions**
  - c. Grammar 3: **N-Nouns**
  - d. Grammar Practices 1-3
  - e. Grammar Review
- E. Conversation 2
  - a. Dialogue
- F. Vocabulary 2

- a. Vocabulary Building
- b. Vocabulary Practice
- c. Discovery Activity
- G. Finish
  - a. Culture Stop: **Sales Tax, Methods of Payment and ATMs in German-speaking Countries**
  - b. Language Task
  - c. Exit

## Lektion 10

### ***Wer ist am Apparat? (Who's calling?)***

Learn essential vocabulary and expressions for speaking on the phone, leaving messages, and checking voicemail. Also learn how to form simple sentences in the past tense, and how to express likes and dislikes.

- A. Introduction
  - a. Welcome
  - b. Culture Stop
  - c. Discovery Activity
- B. Conversation 1
  - a. Dialogue
  - b. Discovery Activity
- C. Vocabulary 1
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice 1
  - c. Vocabulary Practice 2
- D. Grammar
  - a. Grammar 1: **The Past Tense of *Haben* and *Sein***
  - b. Grammar 2: **Expressing Likes**
  - c. Grammar 3: **Modal Verbs**
  - d. Grammar Practices 1-3
  - e. Grammar Review
- E. Conversation 2
  - a. Dialogue
- F. Vocabulary 2
  - a. Vocabulary Building
  - b. Vocabulary Practice
  - c. Discovery Activity
- G. Finish
  - a. Culture Stop: **Answering the Phone and Giving a Phone Number in German**
  - b. Language Task
  - c. Exit