

# GCSE German Revision Guide

## Exam advice

### Listening:

- Use the 5 minutes at the beginning of the test to read the questions, remember you can make notes such as key words related to the topic of the question. Try to predict what words you will be hearing.
- Read the instructions clearly - do you have to write the answer in German or in English
- Listen for key words, don't panic if you do not understand every single word
- Look out for meaning changes such as negative words

### Reading:

- Read the instructions so it is clear what you have to answer and what kind of information you are looking for in the text
- Underline the key words that will help you when giving the answer
- Read each text twice to ensure you have the correct information

For both Listening and Reading papers, do not leave anything in blank, if you do not know the answer try and guess what it might be, you might be right!

### Speaking:

- Use the 12 minutes preparation time on the day wisely: write key words for each questions, you will not have time to write full sentences for the role play and the photo card
- Since you know what theme, you are going to talk about in the 1<sup>st</sup> part of the gen. con., ensure you have a question ready to ask the examiner related to the topic. Even better if you can think of a question in the future or past tense.
- Make sure you change your verb endings when replying to the question to the "I" form.
- Find another student to practise with - become practise buddies - use 30 min of your lunch one a week and practise together.

### Writing:

- Read the questions carefully and ensure you write referring to all the bullet points, otherwise you will lose marks for communication
- Ensure you use the correct tense
- Always use opinions and justify them
- Don't forget to use a variety of connectives so your sentences are more complex

### Useful websites:

- [www.bbc.com/bitesize/subjects/z8j2tfr](http://www.bbc.com/bitesize/subjects/z8j2tfr) - grammar revision BBC Bitesize
- [www.activelearn.com](http://www.activelearn.com) - vocabulary practise, reading and listening activities
- [www.quizlet.com](http://www.quizlet.com) - vocabulary practice

Higher vocab lists: <https://quizlet.com/class/3243357/>

Foundation vocab lists: <https://quizlet.com/class/5142506/>

### Revision booklet:

- New GCSE German AQA Revision Guide - for the Grade 9-1 Course

**When revising the vocabulary start making our own vocabulary list which you can colour code (green/amber/red) Use the red words and make cue cards, write them on post it notes around your room, get someone to test you on them every week until you know them.**



Here is a summary of the topics to be covered in this revision timetable

Weeks before the exam	Topic
15.	Kapitel 1 - Auf in die Schule - schools - present/past/future tense. Reasons with 'denn'/'weil'.
14.	Kapitel 2 - Zeit für Freizeit - Free time - word order. Negatives. Using 'möchte'. Combining tenses.
13.	Kapitel 3 - Menschliche Beziehungen - Family and relationships - descriptions. Adjectives. Possessives. Separable verbs. Modal verbs.
12.	Kapitel 4 - Willkommen bei mir - Describing home/house - Irregular present tenses. 'Sie' and 'du'. Separable and reflexives. Using 'dass' and 'wenn'
11.	Kapitel 5 - Ich liebe Wien - The city - comparatives/superlatives. 'dieser'. Imperatives. Modal verb 'wollen'. Dative pronouns.
10.	Im Urlaub und zu Hause - Holidays and my town - 'nach' for countries and towns; 'werden' in present tense. Using 'es gibt' +ein and kein. Using 'man sollte..'
9.	Revision of the different tenses - can you use them together ?
8.	Kapitel 7 - Rund um die Arbeit - Jobs and work experience - different tenses. Reasons with 'um...zu'
7.	Kapitel 8 - Eine wunderbare Welt - global issues- forming questions. Using adverbs. Comparatives and superlatives. Pluperfect tense.
6.	General conversation practice
5.	Role play and Photo card practice
4.	Key expressions for writing and speaking
3.	Active learn - listening
2.	Active learn - reading
1.	Individual revision on using present, perfect and imperfect and future as well as justified opinions

