

FACTFILE: GCSE GERMAN



Writing 12

CONTEXT 3: SCHOOL LIFE, STUDIES AND THE WORLD OF WORK



Future plans and careers



- manipulate the language, using and adapting a variety of structures and vocabulary with accuracy and fluency for new purposes (including using appropriate style and register); and
- make independent and creative use of the language to identify key points, express and justify their thoughts and points of view.

These lists are neither prescriptive nor exhaustive.

Skills

- Pläne für die Zukunft.
- Nächstes Jahr.
- Nach der Schule.
- Universität/Gap-Year.
- Beruf.

Introduction

Here are some key points to help you study this topic.

Learning Outcomes

You should be able to:

- communicate in writing for a variety of purposes;
- write short texts, using simple sentences and familiar language to convey meaning and exchange information;
- translate sentences from English into German to convey key messages accurately and to apply grammatical knowledge of language and structures in context;
- produce clear and coherent extended text to present facts and express ideas and opinions for different purposes and in different settings;
- make accurate use of a variety of vocabulary and grammatical structures;

Preparation

- There are various ways of expressing the future.
- The simplest is to use werden with the infinitive. Learn this example:
Note that there is no *zu*
Ich werde Deutsch und Englisch nächstes Jahr studieren.
- Another possibility is to use Ich will (I want to) or Ich möchte (I would like to):
Ich will Mathe und Chemie studieren.
Ich möchte Deutschland besuchen.
- There are other alternatives, but it is important to remember that *zu* is used with the Infinitive. Look at the examples using Ich hoffe (I hope to) and Ich habe vor (I intend to)
Ich hoffe, auf die Uni **zu** gehen.
Ich habe vor, Medizin **zu** studieren.
- Focus on these useful phrases to introduce your sentences:

In der Zukunft	In the future
Nächstes Jahr	Next year
Wenn ich mit meinen Studien fertig bin,	When I have finished my studies
Nach der Schule	After school
Nach der Universität	After university
Mit fünfundzwanzig Jahren	At the age of twenty-five

Practice

- Use past papers.
- Make sure you understand why corrections have been made to your written work.
- In the revision section there are sentences to be translated into German. Do not look at the solutions below as you work on these sentences.
 - Ich werde Deutsch und Französisch lernen, denn ich finde Fremdsprachen wichtig.
 - Ich will auf die Uni gehen, um Jura zu studieren.
 - Ich möchte heiraten und Kinder haben.
 - Mein Beruf ist sehr wichtig für mich.
 - Nächstes Jahr werde ich Englisch und Erdkunde studieren.
 - Nach der Uni möchte ich ein Gap-Year machen.
 - Ich möchte alle Länder in Europa besuchen.
 - Ich will Arzt/Ärztin werden, weil ich Menschen helfen will.

Revision

- I will do German and French as I think foreign languages are important.
- I want to go to university to study law.
- I would like to marry and have children.
- My career is very important to me.
- Next year I will study English and Geography.
- After university I want to have a gap year.
- I would like to visit every country in Europe.
- I want to become a doctor because I want to help people.

