

Learning German in Darmstadt

**An overview of free and open-access
German courses and language meet-ups**



Darmstadt is a liberal-minded and open city which is on a good path to an inclusive community.

This very brochure shows that there are quite a number of offers leading to an atmosphere which allows for integration – provided that everybody contributes to it.

An important element is, as shown here with this brochure, the opportunity to learn German in an atmosphere of support and guidance.

Language is the key to education and it is essential to communication; furthermore, it makes personal encounters possible and strengthens relationships.

This little booklet **Learning German in Darmstadt** gives an overview of free-of-charge and open-access language offers in our city.

There are a lot of people who – as volunteers or within their jobs – are engaged in giving language trainings. I would like to express my personal thanks to them that they have taken over this important educational task.



Yours, Barbara Akdeniz
Mayor
Science City of Darmstadt

What you find here

The booklet **Learning German in Darmstadt** lists free-of-charge open-access language courses and language meet-ups which are mostly offered by volunteers and educational services.

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Information about the offers

These offers are mostly directed to people without access authorization for regular courses or who cannot afford to pay for courses. They are also addressed to people looking for less intensive ways to study German.

The courses for **Beginners** and **Advanced** have a slower learning pace than intensive courses. Yet please note that these courses do not hand out certificates (like the Goethe Institute, telc or DTZ do). The language meet-ups offered concentrate on conversation and exchange in German.

The respective contact persons for the courses and meet-ups are listed at each offer under **contact**. Please refer all questions concerning the offers to the respective contact.

For up-to-date information about the offers, please see our website: www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de



€ Please note: All courses and language meet-ups are free of charge.

German course (A 2.1) in Arheilgen Learning German in the “Muckerhaus”, for participants with the respective language level



Time: Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



Place: Muckerhaus, Messeler Str. 112 a



Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, Phone: 06151 13096-18
e-mail: ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de



Course on an ongoing basis



Registration by e-mail or phone.
Child care (under 3 years of age) as required and agreed.



D4U language meet-up In Arheilgen

This is an offer for anyone who wants to get in touch with other people by speaking German together.



Time: Thursdays 2.45 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.



Place: Muckerhaus, Messeler Str. 112 a



Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel,
e-mail: Ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de



Course on an ongoing basis

Women's course in Arheilgen

German for everyday life. Practise speaking, reading and writing the language together.



Time: Wednesdays 9.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.



Place: Muckerhaus, Messeler Str. 112a



Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, Phone: 06151 13096-18,
e-mail: ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de



Course on an ongoing basis





Registration by e-mail or phone




D4U course A 2.2 in Arheilgen


Learning German in the “Muckerhaus”, for participants with the respective language level

 Time: Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays 9.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.

 Place: Muckerhaus, Messeler Str. 112 a


 Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, Phone 06151 13096-18
e-mail: ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de

 Course on an ongoing basis

 Registration per e-mail or phone


Women's course in Kranichstein


German for everyday life. Practise speaking, reading and writing German together.

 Time: Wednesdays and Fridays 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

 Place: Stadtteilwerkstatt Kranichstein, Mirjam-Pressler-Str. 23

 Contact: Mrs Ulrike Landzettel, Phone: 06151 13096-18,
e-mail: ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de





 Course on an ongoing basis

 Registration by e-mail or phone, child care (under 3 years of age) as required and agreed








German for refugees

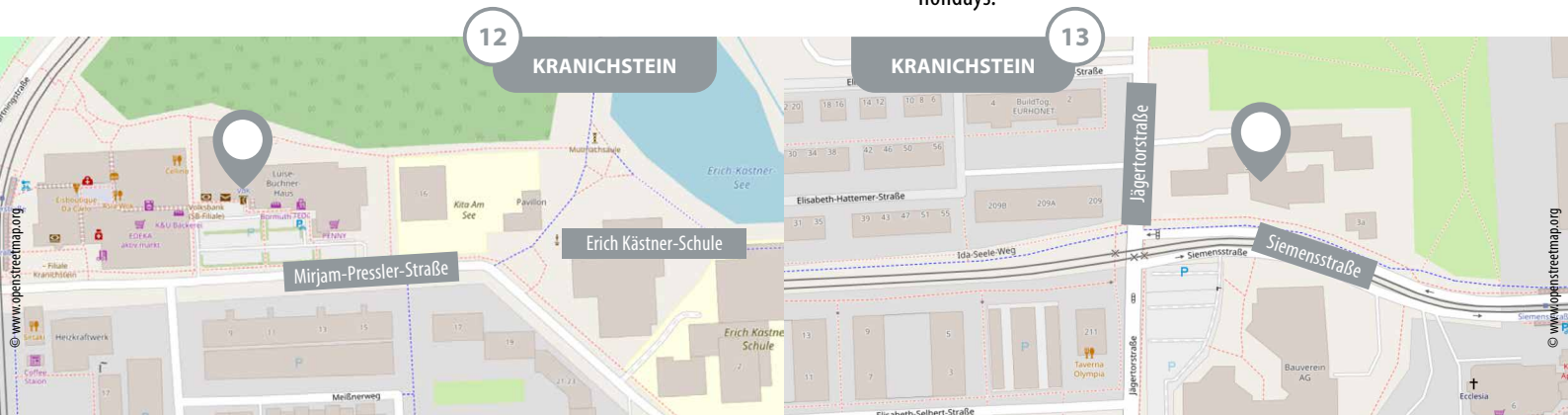
We practise German together with the aim of reaching level A 2

-  Time: Mondays and Thursdays 9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.
-  Place: Bürgersaal Kranichstein, Mirjam-Pressler-Straße 10, 1st floor
-  Contact: Mr. Klaus Neumeyer, e-mail: kl.neumeyer@t-online.de
-  Course on an ongoing basis

Deutsch für Mamas – German for mothers

Conversation course for women with children. Language level starting A 2.

-  Time: Fridays 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
-  Place: Werkstatt "Menschenskinder", Siemensstr. 3a
-  Contact: Mrs. Malgorzata Minuczyc, Phone: 06151-3604595, e-mail: anmeldung@menschenskinder-darmstadt.de
-  Course on an ongoing basis
-  Babys can be brought along, yet they are not looked after separately. Childcare for kids aged 2 to 4. Not offered during school holidays.



Dialog in Deutsch – dialogue in German

Open meeting with conversation for different language levels. We will practise to speak German freely, with the help of volunteers.



Time: Wednesdays 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.



Place: Stadtbibliothek Kranichstein, Bartningstraße 33



Contact: Mr. Daniel Metzger, Phone: 06151 134580



Course on an ongoing basis



At the same time, there is story-telling for children aged 4 and older. The course does not take place during school vacations (but the library has opened.)

Deutsch4U-course, level A1 in Kranichstein

Learning German in Kranichstein for participants with the respective language level



Time: Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 9.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.



Place: Ökumenisches Gemeindezentrum St.Jakobus / Franziskussaal, Bartningstr. 40



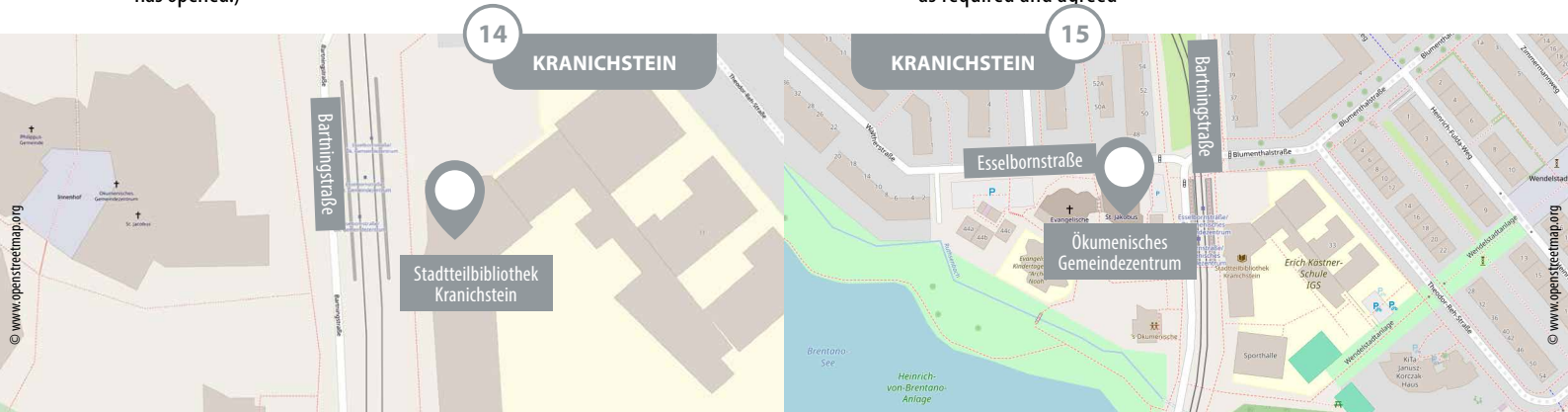
Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, phone: 06151 13096-18, e-mail: Ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de



Course on an ongoing basis



Registration by e-mail or phone, child care (under 3 years of age) as required and agreed



Women's course in PaMo

German for everyday life. Practise speaking, reading and writing German together in Pallaswiesen/Morne-weg-Quarier



Time: Tuesdays and Fridays 9.30 a.m - 11.30 a.m.



Place: Kirschenallee 180



Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, phone: 06151 13096-18,
e-mail: Ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de



Course on an ongoing basis



Registration by e-mail or phone, child care (under 3 years of age) as required and agreed

German course level A1/A2

Participants looking for an easy exchange in German are welcome.



Time: Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays 1:30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.



Place: Hilpertstr. 31



Contact: Mr. Murat Uzunkavak, phone: 0179 7587265,
e-mail: kontakt@sprachpuzzle-darmstadt.de



Course on an ongoing basis





Registration by e-mail Anmeldung or phone, childcare (kids 0 - 3 years) is offered if minimum 4 children are present.





Deutsch4U-course - level A1/A2


Practise German and improve your language skills in an easy-going atmosphere.

 Time: Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 5.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m.

 Place: Hilpertstr. 31

 Contact: Mr. Uzunkavak, phone: 0179 7587265,
e-mail: kontakt@sprachpuzzle-darmstadt.de


 Course on an ongoing basis

 Registration by e-mail Anmeldung or phone, childcare (kids 0 - 3 years) is offered if minimum 4 children are present.


Meet and chat for women at the Bürgerpark


Open round of exchange in German, for women who are beginners or advanced.

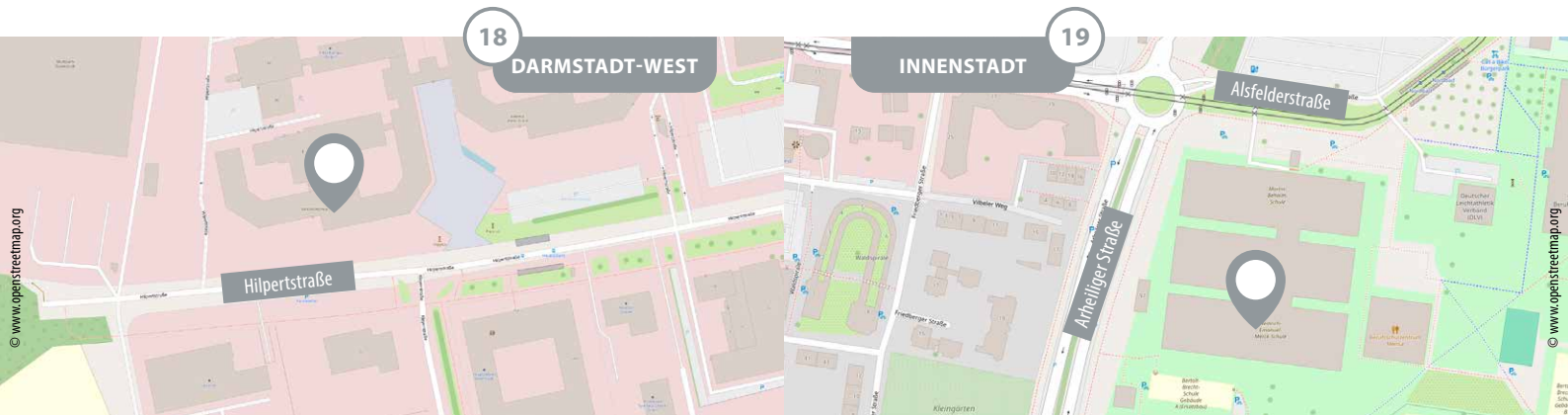
 Time: Thursdays 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

 Place: Mediathek am Berufsschul. Nord am Bürgerpark, Alsfelderstr. 23

 Contact: Mrs. Antonia Schmitt, Mrs. Monika Frühe
e-mail: deutschlernen@network-rope.org

 Course on an ongoing basis

 Babys can be brought along, yet there is no separate childcare.



Intercultural women's language café

Get-together for women from all over the world. The attendees are advanced learners who want to practise their German.



Time: Every second Wednesday 3.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.



Place: Caritaszentrum St. Ludwig, Wilhelm-Glässing-Str. 15



Contact: Mrs. Gisela Franzel, Phone: 06151 1524447
e-mail: gisela.franzel@pr-dami.de



Course on an ongoing basis

Refugee women welcome

Open get-together: Women practise German by talking and reading, we also go on some pleasure trips.



Time: Thursdays 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.



Place: Frauenzentrum, Emilstraße 10



Contact: Mrs. Christine Kelter-Honecker, Phone: 06151 711336
e-mail: frauenzentrum@baff-darmstadt.de



Course on an ongoing basis



For current information visit:
<http://frauenzentrum-darmstadt.de/aktuell>



Learning German for Farsi-speaking women

If necessary, the rules will be explained in Farsi, for better understanding.



Time: Mondays and Wednesdays 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.



Place: Frauenzentrum, Emilstr. 10



Contact: Mrs. Nasrin Dehghani, phone: 0157 39745505,
Mrs. Christine Kelter-Honecker, phone: 06151 711336,
e-mail: frauenzentrum@baff-darmstadt.de



Course on an ongoing basis

Sprachclub Darmstadt – language club Darmstadt

Conversation in German, cooking together and other activities



Time: Mondays 6.00 p.m. - 8.00 p.m.



Place: Mehrgenerationen-Haus, Julius-Reiber-Str. 20-22



Contact: Ahmad, Elif and Lisa, e-mail: Sprachclub_darmstadt@gmx.de



Course on an ongoing basis



For more information see:
<https://m.facebook.com/SprachclubDarmstadt/>



MitSprache - Deutsch4U level A1.2

Women and men from 18 years of age with language level A1.2 are invited to this course, to get an easy access to German.



Time: Mondays and Wednesdays 9.15 a.m. - 10.45 a.m.



Place: Mehrgenerationen-Haus / Mütterzentrum, Julius-Reiber-Str. 22



Contact: Mrs. Dorota Sedziwy and Mrs. Ljubica Andrijevic,
e-mail: lerne.deutsch@mgh-da.de



Course on an ongoing basis



Registration by e-mail, child care is possible

MitSprache-course - Easy access to German

This course gives participants starting level A 1.1 an easy access to the German language.



Time: Mondays and Wednesdays 11.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.



Place: Mehrgenerationen-Haus / Mütterzentrum, Julius-Reiber-Str. 22



Contact: Mrs. Dorota Sedziwy and Mrs. Ljubica Andrijevic,
e-mail: lerne.deutsch@mgh-da.de



Course on an ongoing basis



Registration by e-mail, child care is possible



Deutsch4U starting level B 1.1

Participants with the respective language level can improve their knowledge of German by speaking, reading and writing.



Time: Tuesdays and Thursdays 9.15 a.m. - 10.45 a.m.



Place: Mehrgenerationenhaus/Mütterzentrum, Julius-Reiber-Str. 22



Contact: Mrs. Dorota Sedziwy and Mrs. Ljubica Andrijevic,
e-mail: lerne.deutsch@mgH-da.de



Course on an ongoing basis



Registration by e-mail, child care is possible

Dialogue in German - StadtbibliothekPublic Library

Open meeting for participants with different language levels. Free speaking, with guidance by volunteers.



Time: Thursdays 5.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.



Place: Stadtbibliothek Darmstadt im Justus-Liebig-Haus,
Große Bachgasse 2



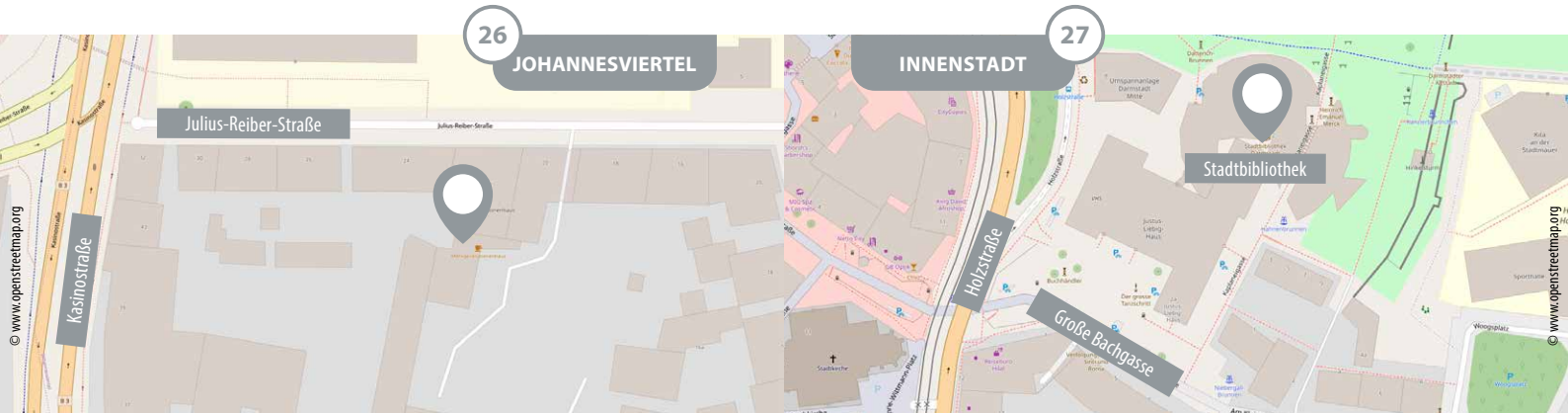
Contact: Mrs. Annette Lemmin, phone: 06151 132759



Course on an ongoing basis



During summer holidays and between Christmas and New Year's Eve,
there is no course.



Welcome Meeting

In the Petrusgemeinde/Petrus Parish Community, participants can improve their knowledge of German in the exchange with volunteers.



Time: Fridays 4.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.



Place: Gemeindehaus Petrusgemeinde / Parish Community Center, Eichwiesenstr. 8



Contact: Mrs. Ute Theiß, e-mail: utemag.theiss@web.de



Course on an ongoing basis

Language exchange

Participants can improve their knowledge of German and get support for everyday-life.



Time: Wednesdays 2.45 p.m. - 4.30 p.m., Thursdays 4.00 p.m. - 5.45 p.m.



Place: Gemeindehaus der Ev. Matthäusgemeinde/Parish Community Center, Heimstättenweg 77



Contact: Mr. Andreas Schwöbel, Phone: 06151 311662 and Mrs. Malgorzata Minuczyc (Gosia), Phone: 01522 2636072, e-mail: malgorzata.minuczyc@yahoo.com



Course on an ongoing basis







There is no registration necessary. Thursdays there is child care for kids aged 3 to 10; please register for that with Malgorzata







Women's course in the Lincoln-Siedlung

Making women fit for everyday life in Germany by speaking, reading and practising writing together.

-  Time: Mondays and Fridays 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.
-  Place: Quartierwerkstatt Lincoln, Mahalia-Jackson-Straße 1c
-  Contact: Mrs. Ulrike Landzettel, Phone: 06151 13096-18, e-mail: ulrike.landzettel@regionale-diakonie.de
-  Course on an ongoing basis

Alphabetisation course for women

German course for female analphabets in the "Bürgersaal" Lincoln-Siedlung

-  Time: Wednesdays 9.00 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.
-  Place: Bürgersaal Lincoln-Siedlung, Mahalia-Jackson-Str. 1c
-  Contact: Mrs. Anna Volkov, e-mail: a.volkov@baff-darmstadt.de
-  Course on an ongoing basis



German course for Ukrainians

Refugees from Ukrainians can improve their knowledge of German in language exchange with volunteers.



Time: Tuesdays 3.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.



Place: Haus der Dreifaltigkeitsgemeinde, Heidelberger Landstr. 311



Contact: Mr. Gustav Fetzer, e-mail: gustav.fetzer@t-online.de



Course on an ongoing basis



There is no course in school holidays.

Exchange cafe Eberstadt

Learning German, discussing with others, preparing visits to authorities and getting help with homework



Time: Tuesdays 3.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.



Place: Haus der Dreifaltigkeitsgemeinde, Heidelberger Landstr. 311



Contact: Mr. Gustav Fetzer, e-mail: gustav.fetzer@t-online.de



Course on an ongoing basis



There is no course in school holidays.



Learning German at St. Josef's Parish

German course for beginners with basic knowledge. We practise reading, speaking and studying basic German grammar.



Time: Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10.00 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.



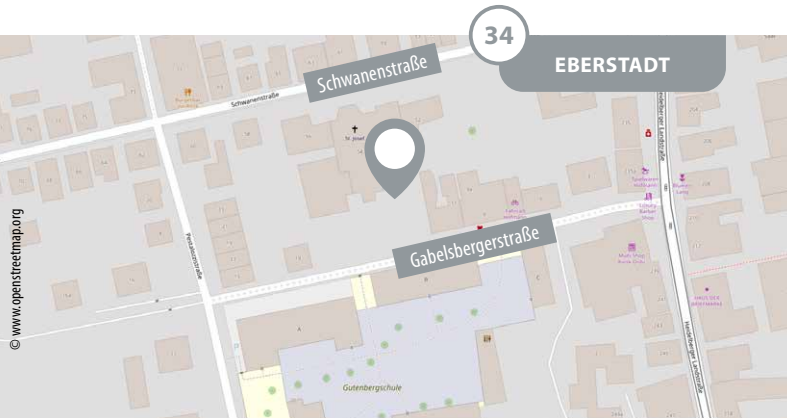
Place: Parish hall of the St. Josef's Parish, Darmstadt-Eberstadt.
The entrance is on Gabelsberger Strasse, at the back of the church.



Contact: Mr. Ralf Glausch, Phone: 06154-623960,
e-mail: ralf.glausch.deutschkurs@gmail.com



Course on an ongoing basis



Learning with apps and online-courses

Learning with apps and online-courses is a good addition to attending a "live" course. On the following pages, we present a range of such learning tools which we have tested.

We would like to encourage you to try out these digital tools. Apps can of course not replace a live course, yet they do have advantages: You are able to learn in your own pace and choose the homework you would like to do. Furthermore, videos can lively explain the topics and interactive tasks can give you a direct feedback.

Here we present some offers that are suitable for learners at different levels and with different needs. The selection contains only apps free-of-charge and free online content from approved providers.

For more apps, please see our homepage:
<https://deutsch-in-darmstadt.de/en/digital-learning/>

Learn German – The City of Words

Lern Deutsch – The City of Words is an online-game language level A 1 and especially suited for children. The game doesn't have to be downloaded, it can be played by app on tablet or smartphone, by one or more players. The users explore a virtual city and learn German alongside.

Languages

English, Spanish, French, Italian, Chinese, Portuguese, Russian, Arabic

Language level

Beginners

Cost

Free of charge

App name in Playstore/Appstore

Lern Deutsch - Stadt der Wörter

Google search

Lern Deutsch Goethe

Website

www.goethe.de/de/spr/ueb/led.html

App provided by

Goethe Institut

Einstieg Deutsch – For beginners

Einstieg Deutsch is an app with over 500 exercises on various topics. German beginners can work independently on 15 topics such as health, work, everyday life, making appointments and many others. Because of the nicely designed graphics and videos, learning is real fun. The app is available in many languages. You can switch the tasks and the menu to another language. The app also has an integrated dictionary.

Tip: You can download lessons and practice offline.

Languages

English, Spanish, French, Italian, Chinese, Portuguese, Russian, Arabic

Language level

Beginners A1

Cost

Free of charge

Name of app in Playstore/Appstore

Einstieg Deutsch

Website

www.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/9.php#/wws/app-einstieg-deutsch.php

App provided by

Volkshochschule (vhs)

DW Learn German – German courses in an app

DW Learn German is an app by “Deutsche Welle” (a TV channel in German language for foreign countries). The app offers courses for beginners, A1 and B1. It is well designed, with numerous videos and accompanying exercises. There is also a special section on language at the work place. All courses – and more – can also be found on the Deutsche Welle website.

Languages

English, Arabic, Russian, Farsi

Language level

Beginners A1, B1

Cost

Free of charge

Name of app in Playstore/Appstore

DW Deutsch lernen / DW learn German

Website

<https://learngerman.dw.com/de/deutsch-lernen/s-9095>

App provided by

Deutsche Welle

ABC-Deutsch, A1-Deutsch, A2-Deutsch, B1-Deutsch

The Adult Education Centre („Volkshochschule“) has released four apps for German courses. For absolute beginners, there is the app **ABC German**. For those already knowing the alphabet, there is the course **A1 German**. There are two more apps, for **A2 German** and **B1 German**. The apps are well designed and offer a variety of exercises leading up to each other. There are two disadvantages: you have to register and the menu navigation is available in German only.

Tip

You can also do the courses online on your computer by using the “vhs-Lernpfad” with a guest access.

Languages

German

Language level

ABC - B1

Cost

Free of charge, registration required

Name of app in Playstore/Appstore

ABC-Deutsch, A1-Deutsch, A2-Deutsch, B1-Deutsch

Website

<https://abc.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/9.php#/wws/home.php>

App provided by

Volkshochschule (vhs) (Adult Education Centre)

A2-B1-Deutschkurs Beruf – Learning online for the job

With the course **A2-B1 German for work**, the Adult Education Centre („Volkshochschule“) offers a complete language course for advanced beginners. This course is available online and as an app. Attractively designed graphics and short films help you learn German. (Free) registration is required for the course.

Tip: On the website, you can also view the exercises of the course as a guest (without registering).

Languages

German

Language level

A2-B1, Thema Beruf

Cost

Free of charge, registration necessary

Google search

vhs Lernportal

Website

<https://abc.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/9.php#/wws/home.php>

App provided by

Volkshochschule (vhs) (Adult Education Centre)

B2 Beruf – German at work

The **B2 Beruf** app is for advanced learners and it is well suited for self-learning. It offers an entire B2 German course in 20 lessons, concentrating on the topic “Language at work”. Attractively designed graphics and short films help you learn. You can download entire lessons and practise them offline. Registration is required for the app.

Tip: On the website, you can also view the exercises of the course as a guest (without registration).

Languages

Exercises in German, vocabulary trainer in a lot of languages

Language level

B2

Cost

Free of charge, registration necessary

Name of app in Playstore/Appstore

B2-Beruf

Website

<https://b2-beruf.vhs-lernportal.de/wws/9.php#/wws/home.php>

App provided by

Volkshochschule (vhs)

Deutsche Welle – German News spoken slowly

Our online tip for everyone who wants to know what's going on in Germany: Every day from Monday to Saturday, you can find here the latest daily news in politics, business and society.

The news are spoken slowly and understandably. In addition to the audio file (MP3) for download, you can read the full text.

Languages

German

Language level

B2, C1

Cost

Free of charge

Google search

Deutsche Welle – Langsam gesprochene Nachrichten

Website

<https://learngerman.dw.com/de/langsam-gesprochene-nachrichten/s-60040332>

App provided by

Deutsche Welle – Langsam gesprochene Nachrichten

Frequent questions

Can I take part in every course / meet and chat?

In general yes, if there are still vacancies. Some courses are for women only, this is indicated on the page of the respective course.

I want to take part in a certain course / meet and chat. What do I have to do?

Each course in this brochure has the contact data of the respective person. Please ask directly whether there are still vacancies.

Do you offer individual lessons?

Unfortunately we don't. We cannot offer individual or tutoring lessons or lessons at home. If you want to practise individually: on our website, you will find tips for digital learning.

Can I take an exam and get a language certificate in the courses listed in the brochure?

This is unfortunately not possible. If you need a language certificate, you will have to attend an integration or intensive course with an acknowledged language institution or language school.

Do you still have any further questions?

Please feel free to contact us at deutschlernen@network-rope.org. We will do our best to assist you

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www.deutsch-in-darmstadt.de

