



German

Why study German?

An A Level in German will be a highly valuable qualification whether you are considering higher education or employment. The course will encourage you to take initiative and formulate opinions about topical worldwide issues and you will gain a thorough understanding of the culture of German speaking countries. At Hazelwick, you will benefit from access to excellent resources and support, including conversation class with our excellent native language assistant. You will also have the opportunity to participate in a short home stay visit to Aachen.

What skills will I gain from studying German?

Through the A Level German course, you will acquire more advanced written, comprehension and translation skills and confident, effective conversation skills in German. You will develop transferable communication skills as well as developing your moral, social and cultural understanding, your analytical and essay writing skills. The perseverance, memory work, analysis and attention to detail needed when studying German are also highly valued by universities and employers alike.

Having studied German, what opportunities will be open to me?

With an A-level in German, you will be able to study German at University as a languages degree or as part of a joint honours course, for example alongside English, Politics, Law, Biochemistry and Media, to name but a few. Having a language opens every door to future possibilities. It will improve job prospects and you will also have the opportunity to travel, work and live abroad. Being able to offer an additional language will make you stand out from the crowd.

Entry requirements

Grade 6 in GCSE German

Exam Board – AQA

Specification code/no. - 7662

Topics covered in Year 12

Aspects of German-speaking society; the changing state of the family, the digital world and youth culture: fashion and trends, music, television. Artistic culture in the German-speaking world; festivals and traditions, art and architecture and cultural life in Berlin, past and present. You will also study the film: Good Bye Lenin from German director Wolfgang Becker

Topics covered in Year 13

Multiculturalism in German-speaking society; immigration, intergration and racism. aspects of political life in the German-speaking world; Germany and the European Union, politics and youth and German re-unification and its consequences. Also an indepth study of Der Besuch der alten Dame by Swiss dramatist Friedrich Dürrenmatt.