

KS4 COURSE OPTIONS – Year 11

Course Title	GCSE German (4665)
Exam Board	AQA
Course Description	<p>This is the legacy specification, which will be examined last in 2017.</p> <p>The AQA GCSE German course aims to help students develop their German language skills in a variety of contexts and a broad understanding of the culture of countries and communities where German is spoken. It encourages enjoyment of language learning and the recognition that language skills enable students to take their place in a multi-lingual global society.</p> <p>This four-unit specification requires students to develop their ability to write and speak in German and to understand German when it is written down or spoken. This course has 60 per cent controlled assessment.</p> <p>This qualification counts towards the English Baccalaureate.</p>
Course Content (Term 1,2,3 etc.)	<p>Term 1 – Leisure: A conversation about a past holiday (Controlled Speaking Assessment, CSA)</p> <p>Term 2 – Leisure: An account of a day out (Controlled Writing Assessment, CWA)</p> <p>Term 3 – Work & Education: A talk about my school (CSA)</p> <p>Term 4 – Lifestyle: An email to your German pen pal describing your family life (CWA)</p> <p>Term 5 – Reading and Listening exam practice</p> <p>Term 6 – Exams</p>
Extra-Curricular Opportunities	There is the potential for an opportunity to take part in trips to the target language country.
Useful Websites	<p>Exam board: http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/german-4665</p> <p>For vocabulary learning (school subscription): http://www.linguascope.com/ (username: guils, password: madrid)</p> <p>Free online learning tools: https://www.duolingo.com/ https://www.memrise.com/ https://quizlet.com/</p>

	<p>Web dictionary http://dict.leo.org/ende/index_de.html</p> <p>For skills practice: http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/subjects/z8j2tfr (site has not migrated yet and a link at the bottom will take students to the old BBC bitesize content)</p> <p>For creating a speaking avatar: http://www.voki.com/</p>
Important Information	<p>The course consists of 4 units: Unit 1: Listening (20%); Unit 2: Reading (20%); Unit 3: Speaking (30%); Unit 4 Writing (30%)</p> <p>Listening and Reading are tiered; candidates can enter for either Foundation or Higher Tier. Both Listening and Reading examinations need to be taken by the end of the course (i.e. by the end of Year 11).</p> <p>Speaking and Writing are untiered and are tested by Controlled Assessment throughout Year 9 to Year 11. At the end of the course, students are required to submit two Speaking and two Writing Assessments.</p>
Provision For Most Able	<p>Students are given regular opportunities to develop and practise the personal learning and thinking skills required to operate as independent enquirers, creative thinkers, reflective learners, team workers, self-managers and effective participators.</p> <p>In lessons, activities are differentiated to and/or regular extension work provides opportunities for the most able linguists to challenge themselves.</p> <p>Controlled Assessment are not tiered, as in these open-ended writing and speaking tasks there is no upper limit for the students to attain and differentiation is by outcome.</p>
Assessment	<p>Vocabulary learning Vocabulary acquisition is routinely tested (most weeks).</p> <p>End-of-term assessments Controlled Speaking and Writing Assessments in terms 1 to 4, then past paper practice</p> <p>Year 11 exams (in December) GCSE Reading and Listening exam (Foundation and Higher Level)</p>