



AS / A2 German (Level 3)

WHY TAKE THIS COURSE?

German is the most widely spoken first language in the European Union. German trade is the largest in the European Union and Germany is in the top 5 countries in the world for its trade volumes. It is because of this economic power that it is important for British students to learn German.

Have you enjoyed learning German at GCSE? Are you interested in learning how to discuss, in German, the world we live in today? If you have answered yes to these questions, then you will find German a useful and fascinating subject to study at AS and A2. German will combine well with any other subject you might study at Priestley.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

For AS German you will study real issues such as the influence of music, fashion and sport on young people's lives. You will look at health issues such as the dangers of alcohol, drugs and smoking and the importance of a healthy lifestyle. It is very different to GCSE German with more scope for developing your opinions and ideas and a greater importance placed on grammar.

For A2 you will look at environmental issues as well as social issues such as poverty, Globalisation, immigration and racism. You will also study two German films.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

One oral and one written examination for both the AS and the A2 courses. You will also be assessed by your teachers throughout the course so we can see how you are progressing and provide support where needed.

WHAT SKILLS AND SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS DO I NEED?

You should have at least a GCSE pass of grade C in both German and English Language and a minimum average GCSE pass of C. You should have sat the Higher Tier GCSE German examinations.

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

Studying a foreign language prepares you for any career needing good communication and analytical skills. Did you know that language graduates have the lowest unemployment rates in the country, after medical and teaching graduates?

PRIESTLEY EXTRA

You will have the opportunity to do a week's work experience in Germany. You will be able to participate in excursions to A level film and study sessions at the Cornerhouse cinema in Manchester. You will be able to attend University 6th Form Days and German AS and A2 topic days.