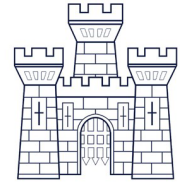

German

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AQA A Level German

Why study German?

Studying German is fun and rewarding. Lessons focus primarily on communication and are very interactive. Our exam results are well above the national average so with commitment and hard work, you will do well. German A Level offers so many possibilities. Did you know that Germany is the fourth largest economic power in the world, the Germans are world leaders in engineering and that German is the second most commonly used scientific language?

Course Outline

The course encourages students to:

- Communicate confidently in German through the spoken and written word
- Develop insights into the contemporary society, cultural background and heritage of countries where German is spoken

There are 2 themes:

1. Social issues and trends
2. Political and artistic culture

The course focuses on the four skills of Listening, Reading, Speaking and Writing. There are 3 components which test a mixture of these skills. A Level candidates must take all 3 components at the end of the 2-year course.

Assessment

Paper 1: Listening, Reading and Translation (50%)

Written examination: 2 hours 30 minutes

- Section A: Listening
- Section B: Reading
- Section C: Translation – from German into English and vice versa

Where are they now?

Recent students of German at CRGS have gone on to study:

- Biology (*Sheffield*)
- Business Management (*York St John*)
- German and Italian (*Durham*)
- German and Spanish (*Swansea*)
- History (*Keele*)
- International Management and German (*Bath*)
- Law (*Liverpool John Moores*)
- Medicine (*Oxford*)
- Mathematics (*Bath*)
- Modern and Medieval Languages (*Cambridge*)
- Modern Languages and Cultures (*Durham*)
- Politics with International Relations (*York*)
- Psychology (*Durham*)

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Paper 2: Critical and analytical response in writing (20%)

- Written examination: 2 hours. Learners are not permitted to use dictionaries in any part of the assessment.
- Two essays – one based on a literary work and the second on an additional literary work or film from the AQA prescribed list.

Paper 3: Speaking (30%)

- Task 1 - (a) Presentation of independent research project;
(b) Discussion on the content of the research project.
- Task 2 - Discussion based on a stimulus card relating to one of the themes studied.

The assessment is conducted by a visiting examiner.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Is any previous knowledge required to study this subject?

Students must have at least Grade 6 in GCSE German.

Students are required to meet the General Entry Requirement of a minimum of 4 GCSEs at grade 6 with at least GCSE grade 4 in English Language and Maths.

Q. What opportunities are there for Extended Learning?

Students have the opportunity to take part in a trip in Year 12.

Q. What facilities are there?

Students have access to an online textbook and laptops with headphones in the MFL rooms and there is also a German Language Assistant whose role is to assist pupils with developing their spoken German. Students will spend one hour a week with the assistant in small groups to help prepare for the Speaking exam.

Exam Board Specification

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