

Listening Exam



Overview: 45 mins (including 5 mins reading time). 50 marks.

You will hear each question 3 times - listen, answer, check.

Top Tips:

- Do not leave blanks, answer every question.
- Check the theme of the questions by checking the heading of the question (in bold)
- For gap fill questions, only use one of the words provided for each gap.
- For longer written answers, always provide detail to avoid vague/unclear responses. One word is never enough.
- For the dictation, check the theme in bold at the top of the page. Spell unknown words using German phonics.
- Use the 2 minutes at the end to check for and fill in any gaps!

Reading Exam



Overview: 45 minutes. 50 marks.

Multiple choice / gap fill / longer answer questions & German-English translations.

All answers in English.

Top tips:

- Do not leave blanks, answer every question.
- Use TextActivities / TEAMS / Quizlet to learn high frequency vocabulary.
- For longer answer questions, provide detail to avoid unclear/vague answers.
- Translation: fill in the parts you know and take an educated guess for any gaps. Your translations also follow a pattern - Bullet 4 will usually be in the past tense.
- Leave 2 minutes at the end to go back through and check your work.

GCSE FOUNDATION GERMAN EXAMS

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Speaking Exam

Takes place in Art Room 1 / Interview Rooms near Drama

Prep Time: 14 minutes.

Read-aloud (8) - take 2 minutes to read through your read aloud task and annotate/highlight tricky German phonics so you can read this perfectly.

Roleplay (10) - take 4-5 minutes to read through the scenario. Write one full sentence that clearly answers each bullet point. For the final bullet point, you must ask a question.

Photo Card Description (4) - You should use your remaining time to describe your photo. Remember to focus on People, Action and Location. Key Structure: Es gibt.

YOU WILL BRING ALL YOUR NOTES INTO THE EXAM ROOM WITH YOU.

In the exam room:

- 1 minute to practice your read-aloud. Do read it out loud!!
- Read aloud, followed by two surprise questions. These are worth 2 marks each. These are about simple, accurate answers. Do not over-complicate!
- Role-play. Your teacher will ask questions and you will respond, reading the answers from your prep sheet.
- Describe your photo card, followed by two surprise questions. These are worth 2 marks each. Simple & accurate - do not over-complicate!
- GENERAL CONVERSATION TO FOLLOW - Learn your Conversation Questions; answer every question and focus on including your opinions, reasons and your tenses in order to secure top marks.

Where to find resources?

- GCSE Revision Guide / Workbook. Available to buy on ParentPay.
- Language TEAMS group.
- TextActivities
- Quizlet
- Ask your teacher for copies of past Module Tests.
- Knowledge Organiser

THE FOUNDATION WRITING EXAM

Photo Card (8)

You will be asked to write **four sentences** about the picture given. Each sentence is worth 2 marks.
You should focus on the people in the photo, what they are doing and where they are.

Key structure: es gibt (there is/there are)

People:

Personen = people
einen Mann / eine Frau = a man / a woman
Männer / Frauen = men / women
einen Jung / ein Mädchen = a boy / a girl
ein Kind / Kinder = a child / children

Action:

sie spielen = they are playing
sie essen = they are eating
sie lernen = they are learning
sie chatten = they are chatting

Location:

Es gibt eine Schule = there is a school
Es gibt eine Bibliothek = there is a library

Revise using TextActivities / Quizlet / Chatty mat in your Knowledge Organiser in order to learn the key phrases needed.

40-50 Word Task (14)

You will be given three bullet points and asked to write 40-50 words about these. **This is MAX two sentences per bullet point.** This task focuses on **the present tense, opinions and the future tense.**

Bullet point 1: Present Tense

For this bullet point, you should use the present tense to talk about what you do. For example:
Ich spiele / Ich gehe = I play / I go
Ich mache / Ich arbeite = I do / I work

Bullet point 2: Opinions & Reasons

For this bullet point, you must give and justify your opinion.

The easiest way to do this is **ich finde** = I find
❤ Ich mag / Ich liebe = I like / I love
😡 Ich mag ... nicht / Ich hasse = I don't like / I hate

Justify your opinion using **denn (v2) / weil (VTE)**
denn es **ist** interessant (V2)
weil es interessant **ist.** (VTE)

Bullet point 3: Future tense

Use the future tense to describe what you will do in the near future. This is a two verb tense.

Ich werde ... spielen

All information goes in the middle in the form of time, manner, place.

Ich werde nächste Woche (T) mit meinen Freunden (M) im Park (P) Fußball **spielen.**

80-90 Word Task (18)

You will be given four bullet points and asked to write between 80-90 words about these. **This is MAX three-four sentences per bullet point.** This task focuses on accurate use of your tenses.

Bullet point 1: Present Tense

Same as your 40-50 word task, but you will need to add additional detail.

Bullet 2: Opinions & Reasons

Same as your 40-50 word task, but you will need to add additional detail.
Mein Lieblings___ = My favourite
obwohl (VTE) / da (VTE) = although/because
Use a variety of different adjectives here.

Bullet 3: Past Tense

Use the past tense to describe what you did recently. This is a two verb tense.

Ich habe [T.M.P] gespielt.

Remember verbs of motion/travelling take sein.

Ich bin [T.M.P] gegangen/gefahren.

Es war ... = It was

Bullet 4: Future Tense

Use the future tense to describe what you will do in the future. This is a two verb tense.

Ich werde [T.M.P] gehen

Ich möchte [T.M.P] spielen

Das wird .. sein = That will be ...

You will also need to revise your time phrases for this question, as well as a variety of adjectives.

Translations (10)

You will have 5 sentences to translate from English **into** German.
Focus on the patterns and tenses needed for these. E.g. BP4 is usually past tense.

Your translations will follow a given theme. Check this theme in the description at the top, this will help you think about the vocabulary you need / help you to make an educated guess.

Don't worry about getting the correct gender for nouns (ein/eine/einen), but do include the word, so your sentence doesn't sound like cave-man English!

The translations usually follow patterns, therefore it is important you learn the following:

Verb endings:

me = e
he/she/it = t
you (du) = st
we / they (wir/sie) = en

Opinion phrases: I like / love / hate / my favourite is...

The past tense (usually translation 4)

How to use both forms of because (denn/weil)