

Y11 to Y12 German Transition Work**1. Tenses Revision**

To help you, you may wish to use BBC Bitesize. Use German, KS4, Grammar. It would be useful to use an exercise book to make notes on how you form the tenses so you can always come back to it and remind yourself. The answers are also attached for you to check - DON'T go to these first, take the time to learn these properly - it is essential that you know these next year.

What should I know by now?

This is a common question asked by students about to start their A level. You should be able to:

TOPIC	CONTENT
Recognise and use a range of tenses with regular verbs.	Tenses: Present Past Perfect Past Imperfect Future (form of werden + infinitive) Conditional (eg. Ich möchte, es gäbe, och würde + infinitive)
Recognise and use a range of tenses with irregular verbs.	Common irregular verbs: haben, sein, werden, essen, gehen
Give opinions with reasons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A range of opinion expressions • Positive and negative reasons for opinions • To be able to agree and disagree

2. Memrise

Please join the course and regularly revise new vocabulary and recap and consolidate your grammatical understanding. <https://www.memrise.com/group/397896/>

3. Cultural Knowledge

A Level is more about understanding what life is like for someone your age in German speaking countries. Switch to German browsers such as www.yahoo.de or www.google.de. This way, you will read German every time you log on and it will become part of your everyday activity.

For Daily News:

www.waz.de gives a regional perspective (West Germany) but most of the content is free and accessible

www.welt.de for a more national and international perspective

4. Research Task

Choose a German festival/tradition that you are interested in - prepare a 2 minute presentation outlining what it is / where it is / when it takes place / who goes / what happens / any press coverage / your opinions about the festival IN GERMAN where possible!

Please email these to c.regan@jkhs.org.uk

5. Watch

We study the film Goodbye Lenin at A level, starting in Y12. It is recommended that you watch it prior to starting the course to help with your understanding. Of course, there's nothing to stop you watching any of the following in German, they will really help with your cultural knowledge and reading skills!

- Youtubers in German
- Your favourite films in the German versions (DVDs will often have other language options)
- German radio as a live stream, even just as background noise. *Eins Live* was always my favourite, feel free to find your own! (<https://www1.wdr.de/radio/1live/musik/1live-playlist/index.html> - go to On Air, Live Hören)