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Deutsch

## Why Learn German Online?

The Internet may be full of distractions, but if you can face going online without looking at all the videos and memes, the Internet can be really beneficial to your German.

It's great as a supplement to all the learning you've been doing in the classroom.

The range of options for studying on the Internet is vast. You can practice all your skills online—so that's reading, writing, listening and speaking.

At the end of the day, **the Internet is one great big collection of free resources.**

No doubt you'll already have Netflix account. But have you ever thought about checking what the German version of this online streaming service has to offer? There's a wide range of popular German TV shows on the website, covering comedies, dramas and documentaries.

Once you're absorbed in a TV program, your ears will be exposed to all kinds of German. Depending on what you're watching, you could be listening to high brow review shows or some easy-going sitcoms. Checking out different shows will allow you to see lots of different aspects of German culture, which is also great for your language.

If you've been studying German for a while and feel you're ready to move up a level, Online German Newspaper sites could be key. As newspapers are often written in a plain and clear language, they can usually be fairly easy for intermediate learners to understand, while still using fairly high-level sentence and grammar structures.

Bear in mind, though, if you're reading an article that's heavy on the politics, you might come face-to-face with some lengthy and complicated vocabulary.

**Newspapers:** Der Stern, Die Zeit, Die Welt, Hamburger Abendblatt, Bild (a bit like the "Sun") Berliner Morgenpost

## **German TV Stations:**

**ZDF** you cannot stream live TV but click on “Rubriken A-Z” at the top and you will find hundreds of short films from comedies to scientific documentaries. Some of the series cannot be streamed in the UK (zdf.de) but try ZDF/tivi or doku/wissen and there is excellent material in the sports section as well.

**ARD** (similar to BBC) as with the ZDF - click on Mediathek (top right) and you will be able to access hundreds of German films from comedies to shortfilms to dramas and fairy tales (Märchen).

## **Youtube:**

If you'd rather watch short videos instead of entire programs on Netflix, head on over to YouTube. You can check out the latest music videos in GERMAN right now or try out clips of Music shows - so you have a bit more of an idea about what you might like to watch.

The great thing about YouTube is that there are many videos aimed at language learners, and you don't have to be that advanced to understand them.

## **Twitter:**

As with Netflix, you've probably already got a Twitter account. Not only is this social media platform useful for your reading, but it also gives you the chance to get interactive! You could follow German newspapers such as “Die Zeit” – and get news in bitesize chunks.

## **BBC Languages**

The BBC language pages are definitely worth checking out for any language learner. German is one of their most popular languages and there's an invaluable amount of help, resources and lessons for those wishing to learn.

## **Duolingo and Tiny Cards and MEMRISE**

Be careful when starting out with these free apps— highly addictive!

Aim for more intermediate content and check out Duolingo's Grammar sections.

On Memrise, you might want to start with this course:

<https://www.memrise.com/course/1234045/german-a-level-aqa-vocabulary-and-grammar/>

The first topics we will study are family, technology and youth culture - so find these in the levels before you study any other topics.

## Deutsche Welle:

Go to “Deutsche Welle” to learn German online.

<https://learngerman.dw.com/de/overview>

The levels go from A1 (beginners), A2 (some knowledge of German), up to B1 (advanced). Each unit has a film, and if you click top right next to the title, the vocab linked to the film (Wortschatz) and various grammar and cultural exercises. An excellent site! If the films are not enough, you will find lots of other courses, music etc here:

<https://www.dw.com/en/learn-german/s-2469>

giving you access to over 300 ! video courses

<https://learngerman.dw.com/de/nico-und-selma/l-40558004/e-40561211> (this is the link to 2 young people talking about their families)

## German songs

Learn German songs and play with the lyrics on the lyricstraining website:

<http://lyricstraining.com/de/>

this is actually an App you can download from playstore

## Grammar

Practise your German verbs. Go to the “conjuguemos” website (<https://conjuguemos.com>), create an account, and then select German verbs. Work on tenses, starting with “das Präsens”. Write down your scores.