

GERMAN A LEVEL READING LIST

- Literary texts and films from AQA

Students must study either one text and one film or two texts from the list below. Abridged editions should not be used.

Texts

- Bertolt Brecht *Mutter Courage und ihre Kinder*
- Friedrich Dürrenmatt *Der Besuch der alten Dame*
- Max Frisch *Andorra*
- Heinrich Heine *Gedichte – Buch der Lieder*
- Jana Hensel *Zonenkinder*
- Franz Kafka *Die Verwandlung*
- Wladimir Kaminer *Russendisko*
- Siegfried Lenz *Fundbüro*
- Bernhard Schlink *Der Vorleser*
- Heinrich Böll *Die verlorene Ehre der Katharina Blum*

Films

- *Good bye, Lenin!* Wolfgang Becker (2003)
- *Das Leben der Anderen* Florian Henckel von Donnersmarck (2006)
- *Die fetten Jahre sind vorbei* Hans Weingartner (2005)
- *Almanya – Willkommen in Deutschland* Yasemin Samdereli (2011)
- *Sophie Scholl – Die letzten Tage* Marc Rothemund (2005)
- *Lola rennt* Tom Tykwer (1998)

WEBSITES

Listening

www.wdr.de/tv/neuneinhalb/aktuell/index.php5 (short news clips of around 9 ½ minutes aimed at children. Click on 'letzte' and you can look at all the topics available)

www.tivi.de/fernsehen/logo/start/index.html (you can watch the latest logo! programmes. logo! is the German version of 'Newsround')

www.goethe.de/lrn/prj/gad/eue/deindex.htm (podcasts linked to many of the AS/A2 topics)

www.audio-lingua.eu/ (recordings by native speakers on all sorts of topics)

<http://www.multikultura.org.uk/german/german.php> (listening and reading exercises for AS and A2 on a range of topics)

www.zdf.de

Listen to news 'Heute Express' 'Heute Journal' or click on Rubriken and read up on different topics via <https://www.zdf.de/doku-wissen>. Click on <https://www.zdf.de/nachrichten/logo> to listen to news in German with 'easier' explanations.

www.klar.co.uk

Free after 4pm and at weekends- range of listening, reading, grammar and vocab resources on a variety of topics – good for revision of grammar at start of year 12.

www.nthulleen.co.uk

Interactive grammar, vocab, listening, reading and cultural activities

Online newspapers

www.spiegel.de and www.stern.de (online versions of popular German magazines. Great for language and culture)

www.berliner-morgenpost.de (online version of daily German newspaper that's great for keeping up to date with all the latest happenings in and around the country)

www.news-und-trends.de (all the latest news on fashion, tourism, food, sport, art and much more)

www.sowieso.de (an online newspaper aimed at children. Click on 'Welt' or 'Deutschland' for articles from all over the world or Germany, 'boah ey!' for 'strange but true stories' or 'Halbzeit' for sports stories)

Use the Goethe institute for links to cultural information and A level resources as well as details of specific courses, films, talks and exhibitions

<http://www.goethe.de/ins/gb/lon/prj/asa/enindex.htm>

Listen to the German radio station (Deutsche Welle) especially 'Die Nachrichten' to help with political aspect of A level course.

www.dw.de/themen/s-9077

Click on 'Deutsch lernen', then 'Deutsch Aktuell' for 'langsam gesprochene Nachrichten', 'Top-Thema mit Vokabeln' or 'Video-Thema')

Krimskrams

<http://deutschdrang.com/dir/audio-activities/> (lots of free resources: worksheets; self-grading online exercises; powerpoints; audio, video, and vocab activities, webquests, grammar handouts, articles on German customs and Swiss oddities!)