

Websites for Students of German

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Dictionaries & General Resource Sites:

German-English Dictionary--Called "LEO"--I love this site for myself and for my students. Lots of cross-references & you can click on the words to hear how they sound. Very reliable.



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[Englisch - Deutsch Wörterbuch - leo.org: Startseite](#)

German-English Dictionary --another very reliable, user-friendly German-English dictionary. ☆☆☆



[Beolingus Online Dictionary](#)

Linguee--another German-English dictionary, recommended by a fellow German teacher!

[Linguee](#)

Duden--Duden:Deutsch :: Merriam Webster : English. Everyone who studies German knows about Duden; great resource for all things German-language related.

[Duden](#)

Helles-Koepfchen--What?! A search engine in German that is kid-friendly. So cool! Check this one out! Recommended by a fellow German teacher! ☆☆☆☆☆

[Helles-Koepfchen](#)

Goethe Institute--the ultimate site for all things German--Language, Culture, Germany. Explore this site and find links to studying in Germany, studying German in the US, resources for learning German, and so much more. ☆☆☆☆☆

[Goethe Institute](#)

AATG-American Association of Teachers of German--this is the national site for teachers of German in the US. Click on "Student Programs" to look for information about studying German abroad and studying German in high school and college. ☆☆☆☆☆

[AATG](#)

NCAATG--The professional site for teachers of German--this is our site for our state; also contains links to many other useful sites, including colleges & universities which offer German, and scholarship information. ☆☆☆☆☆

[North Carolina-American Association of Teachers of German](#)

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University of Texas at Austin--great resources for learning German! Some of the information is more ideal for college-age students, but if you are a junior or senior, or are 4-year college-bound, some of the topics may be of high interest. ☆☆☆☆☆

[Center for Open Educational Resources and Language Learning](#)

Professional Association of German Teachers in Australia--click on any of the pages to find out more information about German language and culture. ☆☆☆☆☆

[Association of German Teachers of Victoria](#)

Sports, Culture, Literature & Lifestyle

Step into German--a great site for teenagers who want to learn more about German! Find out more about music, sports, soccer, film, and other aspects of culture. Don't miss this resource! ☆☆☆☆☆

[Step into German](#)

German Music Blog 🎵🎵 One of the best ways to learn a language is by listening to music! Recommended by a fellow German teacher!

[Deutsch Musik Blog](#)

Sprachportal--a site from Austria--new to me, but I'm excited to search through it! Recommended by a fellow German teacher! Looks like there are lots of links to all kinds of cultural information.

[Sprachportal--from Austria](#)

Hamsterkiste--an authentic German site, which offers information across all kinds of disciplines, from spelling to reading, to information about the Bundesländer. Recommended by a fellow German teacher!

[Hamsterkiste](#)

German Culture Site--a site which offers information in English about German culture. Recommended by a fellow German teacher!

[German Culture](#)

Expatica Communications --*from their site:...* provides expats in Belgium, France, Germany, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Portugal, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland and the UK the information they need to turn their new country into their home. As a student you can use this site to find out all kinds of cultural information about Germany, from schools to working life, housing, etc. ☆☆☆

[Expatica Site about Germany](#)

Die Technischen Schulen Steinfurt -- this is a Berufskolleg site--a "Berufsschule". This is one of the neat schooling options available in Germany. ☆☆☆☆

[Technische Schulen](#)

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Märchen Stiftung--What a great site! All kinds of information about fairy tales. Recommended by a fellow German teacher! ☆☆☆☆

[Maerchen Stiftung--Fairy Tale Foundation](#)

The Brothers Grimm Fairy Tales--Read all the classics in both English and German. ☆☆☆☆

[Grimm Fairy Tales Menu](#)

Famous Austrians

[Famous Austrians - People From Austria](#)

German Recipes

[Recipes for Authentic German Appetizers - Germanfoods.org](#)

Learn more about the myths and the facts about St. Nikolaus

[Who is St. Nicholas?](#)

Click here to learn all about Christmas traditions in Germany!

[Christmas in Germany](#)

Christmas poems about St. Nikolaus

[Nikolausgedichte--Nikolaus Poems](#)

Coloring Pages in German--for children

[Bastelkalender für Kinder im kidsweb.de](#)

YouTube Channels, Podcasts, Videos & Media for Learning German

Nicos Weg--Follow the adventures of Nico as he learns German! Site is a part of the Deutsche Welle.

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[Nicos Weg](#)

Learn German with Harry & the Deutsche Welle--great videos for new learners! ☆☆☆☆☆

[Harry | DW.COM](#)

The Simple Club--a YouTube channel that I just learned about--recommended by a fellow German teacher! I'm just starting to explore, but the videos are authentic German, and targeted at teens.

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[The Simple Club](#)

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German Podcast--ideal for beginners, intermediate and advanced students. Sign up for free, download, and follow along! Each podcast is spoken clearly and at a good pace for learners. Look for A-Grundstufe for levels 1 and 2, and B-Mittelstufe for levels 3 and up. ☆☆☆☆

DaZPod

Easy German--Check out the site and their YouTube channel--authentic videos, straight from Germany. Engaging and fun to watch! ☆☆☆☆☆

Easy German

Dinge Erklärt--a Youtube Channel--this is a science channel which explains complex topics from various disciplines, such as physics, biology, philosophy, politics, and research, with animated videos--you can put the closed captions on and follow along. Suggested by a fellow German teacher--great resource! ☆☆☆☆☆

Kurz gesagt in German

ARDMediathek--Recommended by a fellow German teacher! I can't wait to play with this site--You can watch TATORT!! One of Germany's longest-running Krimis!! Top Site!! Watch shows in German!! Finally!

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ARDMediathek

ProSieben--a German TV station, not unlike Fox/CW/ABC/NBC--you can see some of your favorite shows in German. ☆☆☆

ProSieben

SAT1--a German TV station, similar to the one above; they offer some German originals and some shows from the US that you might be familiar with ☆☆☆

SAT1

German TV Programs ☆☆☆

Fernsehprogramm von TVtoday.de

News & Current Events

Deutsche Welle--international news from Germany, Europe & the world, broadcast in many languages around the world. Follow links to news of the day and video clips. ☆☆☆☆☆

Deutsche Welle

News4Kids--exactly what it sounds like--lots of current news, but appropriate for learners of German--if you are struggling to understand Tagesschau, or some of the higher level news sites, this is a great way to improve your reading comprehension. Very user-friendly! Recommended by a fellow German teacher!

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News4Kids

Neundundeinhalb--a news site for Schüler, so absolutely perfect for learners of German. Recommended by a fellow German teacher! This site is new to me, but I can't wait to dig in. News, knowledge, games and quizzes! ☆☆☆☆☆

Neundeinhalb

Nachrichtenleicht--**Simplified News**--this site has news, current events, cultural information--everything you could possibly want to learn about--all in simple German language. You can read the stories, hear the stories, and there is even helpful vocabulary at the bottom. Also has a search feature, so you can look up articles by topics. ☆☆☆☆☆

Nachrichtenleicht

News in 100 Seconds--**Tagesschau** -- great for upper levels, or starting in level 3 ☆☆☆☆☆

Video: Tagesschau in 100 Sekunden | tagesschau.de

NDR--**Leichte Sprache** -- Norddeutscher Rundfunk (NDR:Northern German Broadcasting) is a public radio and television broadcaster, Enjoy reading and learning about the news in simplified German language

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Leichte Sprache im NDR | NDR.de - Fernsehen - Service - leichte_sprache

Der Spiegel--Germany's premier magazine--not unlike Time and Newsweek and Life, all rolled into one. Links to the latest news of Germany, Europe and the world. ☆☆☆☆☆

Der Spiegel

MDR--**Mitteldeutscher Rundfunk**--a news site with everything you could ever want to know. Go all the way to the bottom and you'll find links to the "easy" version--or just click [here](#).. Recommended by a fellow German teacher! ☆☆☆☆☆

Mitteldeutscher Rundfunk

Sprachzeitungen--Language Newspaper from Germany--this site is pretty interesting, but I need to explore it more--you may need to register and/or pay for certain features. ☆☆☆

Sprachzeitungen

Grammar, Vocabulary, & General Language Info

GermanVeryEasy --a website with links to vocabulary and grammar explanations & review. ☆☆☆

German Very Easy

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Deutsch Perfekt: Einfach besser Deutsch--Site with authentic news and cultural information about German speaking countries, such as Germany, Austria, and Switzerland. Audio trainer available, interviews, and explanations for grammar and vocabulary. ☆☆☆☆

[Deutsch Perfekt](#)

CALL stands for *Computer-Assisted Language Learning [from the site]*, ...essentially it's e-learning as applied to languages, and is a wide field of research... It's been in use since the early 1990s, ...it's been transformed with the exponential growth of the WWW. ☆☆☆☆

[CALL@Hull: Resources for language learners and teachers of German](#)

Deutschlerner Blog--this is a neat site. I haven't yet explored everything on this site, but if you click around, you'll find listening activities, grammar, vocabulary, and all differentiated by Sprachniveau--Language level. Recommended for levels 2 and up, only because you'll have to have a basic understanding of German to know what you are looking for, and to be able to read and choose appropriate level activities. ☆☆☆☆

[Deutsch lernen mit Deutschlernerblog](#)

KinderUni--from Goethe Institute--How have I never heard of this site?? This is so funny! I can't wait to check this site out! Looks like you need to register, but otherwise it says it's free. Recommended by a fellow German teacher!

[KinderUni](#)

Effective Language Learning--a site that has a wealth of knowledge for many languages--if you are interested in learning any language, check out this site. There are links to useful sites, and a list of reasons of why to study a particular language. This link will bring you to the German page. ☆☆☆☆

[German | Effective Language Learning](#)

ielanguages.com--created by Dr. Jennifer Wagner, a linguistics and language expert. The site has further links to other languages, as well, but you will find lots of German vocab and grammar resources on the linked page. ☆☆☆☆

[German Tutorials Index: Basic Phrases, Vocabulary and Grammar](#)

DerDieDaF--an authentic website with links to various practice sheets for all levels. Recommended by a fellow German teacher!

[DerDieDaF](#)

Duolingo--Can't leave this site out! Super popular, very user-friendly. This is a great site to accompany learning a language in a formal classroom setting (or informal-learn-it-on-your-own setting!) ☆☆☆

[Duolingo](#)

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Dartmouth University German Studies--has links to amazing resources, including podcasts created and produced by students/professors of German at Dartmouth University ☆☆☆

German Studies

German Opposites--look up a word, and you will expand your vocabulary as you discover many opposites ☆☆☆

Gegenteil-von.com - Deutsches Gegenteil von ernst

Deutsch.Lingolia--Learn German for free; grammar, spelling, and vocabulary. Well-organized site!

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Lingolia Deutsch

Grundschule Arbeitsblätter--Recommended by a fellow German teacher! Free worksheets and activities in German. ☆☆☆☆☆

Grundschule Arbeitsblätter

Lernfrosch--Recommended by a fellow German teacher! This site is put together by an Austrian elementary teacher (*Es lebe Österreich!!!jubeln!*) and provides links to materials in German for grammar, vocabulary, math, etc. This site would be great for teachers who are teaching the youngest children, or if you (students) ever have the chance to share German with your younger siblings, for example. ☆☆☆☆

Lernfrosch

Vistawide.com ~ A site with various German grammar practices. Click on the topic you want to know more about--check out the topics on the left margin, from grammar to music. ☆☆☆

Vistawide

Tom's Site--Lots of links for German grammar and vocabulary practices and explanations ☆☆☆☆

Toms Deutsche Seite - Hilfestellung beim Erlernen der deutschen Sprache

Adjective Wheel--Expand your vocabulary! Great for upper levels. ☆☆☆

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The German Professor--This site provides extensive information on a variety of topics, including culture, grammar, language, vocabulary, and more. ☆☆☆☆

The German Professor - Helping German learners learn German

Webgerman.com→ Lizz Caplin-Carbin's site--this is a collection of various sites that are useful--she hasn't updated her site in awhile, but she is still monitoring it, so if some links are outdated, email her and don't be discouraged--try something else on her site. ☆☆☆

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German Online Interactive

Alumni-Portal Deutschland--this site is available for students who have previously studied or worked in Germany, and is supported or subsidized by well-known German language organizations, such as DAAD, Goethe Institute, the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, and the Auswärtiges Amt. As far as I can tell, you can still access some great articles and videos, even as a non-member. ☆☆☆☆

Alumni-Portal Deutschland

Learn German German with the BBC--this site has been archived and is not updated, but you can still access plenty of useful information and topics of study. ☆☆☆

BBC German Language

German History

DDR Museum--hands down, one of my favorite museums in Berlin; this is the link to the museum's website, which is a hands-on experience of all things to do with the DDR. Take your students on a virtual trip back in time. ☆☆☆☆☆

DDR Museum

Mauermuseum am Checkpoint Charlie--another favorite museum in Berlin, located at the infamous Checkpoint Charlie. Fascinating, and worth the time to look around. ☆☆☆☆☆

Museum am Checkpoint Charlie

Jewish Museum in Berlin--another not-to-be-missed museum in Berlin; famous architect Daniel Libeskind, who also designed the World Trade Center Memorial, designed part of the building that houses exhibitions. ☆☆☆☆☆

Jüdisches Museum Berlin



Bundeszentrale für
politische Bildung

It doesn't get more real than this site--everything related to German history, society & politics. I saw topics from die Umwelt, to gender, to sport to immigration. Do not miss this site!

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Bundeszentrale fuer politische Bildung



Portal für Deutschlernende

Der Weg--another site you cannot overlook. Everything to do with German history, famous people, Landeskunde. ☆☆☆☆☆

Der Weg

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Deutsche Geschichte--an excellent site, especially for visual learners. The images are outstanding, and the information provided is beyond thorough. ☆☆☆☆☆

[ZDF--Deutsche Geschichte](#)

Die Welt--another site with a vast amount of information. ☆☆☆☆☆

[Die Welt--Geschichte](#)

Geschichtsverein--doesn't have the bells and whistles of the other history sites, but it gives a nice overview of history. ☆☆☆

[Geschichtsverein](#)

Department of History, University of California, Professor Harold Marcuse; links to all kinds of German history resources; this link brings you to the post-1945 German history page. ☆☆☆

[Courses & Resources on post-1945 German history, by Harold Marcuse, UCSB](#)

History for Kids--this is a great site to learn about history, with a simplified language, easy to comprehend for German learners. ☆☆☆☆☆

[Planet Schule -- Geschichte fuer Kinder](#)

German History Timeline--I'm a history nerd, so watch out! Love this simple timeline of German history from the beginning of time...

[Zeittafel--German History Timeline](#)

Deutsche Geschichte und Politik für Kinder--what a cool site! Userfriendly, & well-organized. Learn everything you can about history & politics with this site for kids--excellent for German learners!

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[Lernspass fuer Kinder](#)

Kinder Weltreise--this is another awesome user-friendly site and extremely entertaining! You can learn anything about German history and politics--excellent for German learners! ☆☆☆☆☆

[Kinder Weltreise](#)

Klexikon German Wiki--just found this site, kind of neat. Check it out.

[German Wiki](#)

Fall of the Berlin Wall & the Consequences ☆☆☆☆☆

[Mauerfall-Folgen: Das geteilte Land | ZEIT ONLINE](#)

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LeMO - Lebendiges Museum Online--this is the coolest website! Its name translates to "Living Museum Online". Access German history, objects, texts, media, eyewitness-accounts, documents--the images are outstanding. Great for any age, and any level of German knowledge. ☆☆☆☆☆

LeMO Lebendiges Museum Online

NEH-Edsitement--What a great site! Interested in the relationship between Jazz, WW2, and how it relates to German history? Check out this site! ☆☆☆☆☆

Jazz and World War II: A Rally to Resistance, A Catalyst for Victory | NEH-Edsitement