



# Why you should learn German!

## FACTS

German is the 12th most spoken language in the world with 134.6 million total speakers.

It is an official language in 6 European countries, and the 2nd most spoken language in Europe.



In the English-speaking world, German is the third most taught foreign language. Knowing German will take you all across Europe, and travel is always more enriching and rewarding when you know the native language.



English and German are in the same language family - Germanic languages. German is more similar to English than French, or Spanish, which are Romance languages. Many words in English are taken or adapted from German.



## BENEFITS OF LEARNING GERMAN

It gives you the opportunity to study in Germany, which is beneficial because most university education is free or of very low cost, making it a popular destination for students from all around the world. Most degrees are taught in German, so German language skills will improve your application greatly.

The country is renowned for its Science and Engineering degrees, which can open up great job opportunities.



Learning German gives you the opportunity to live and work in Germany, the largest economy in Europe and one of the most successful and stable economies in the world. German is also the official language of Switzerland and Austria, which are also large European economies.

There are great job opportunities in Germany, as there are lots of big businesses and globally recognised brands there, such as BMW, Mercedes-Benz, and Volkswagen. Salaries are generally high in Germany.



German is the go-to language in academia, and it's the second most commonly used language in the Science community. The German book market is the third largest in the world, and one in ten of all books are written in German. Many of these are not translated into English, so only a knowledge of German will give you access to them.

Living in Germany is also very favourable, as it is diverse, creative, affordable, and has one of the highest standards of living in the world. The cost of renting an apartment in London is about twice that in Berlin.



There are many beautiful and interesting places to travel in Germany, such as historical sites, ancient castles, medieval towns, churches, and monasteries. A third of the country is covered in forest, and there is an extensive train network which makes it easy to explore.