



GERMAN – Year 8 Course outline

Resources: ECHO 2 textbook (Heinemann publishing)

UNIT 1: Die Ferien		
1	Was machst du im Sommer?	Talking about the weather Using verbs in the present tense with <i>ich/du/er/sie</i>
2	Wo warst du?	Talking about where you went in the holidays Using <i>ich war</i> and <i>es war</i> to describe a past holiday
3	Was hast du gemacht?	Talking about places to stay Saying what you did, using the past tense
4	Der Europark ist toll!	Planning leisure activities Using the 12 hour clock
5	Ich bin k.o.!	Saying what you did at the weekend Using the past tense with <i>ich habe</i> and <i>ich bin</i>
6	Skiurlaub	Talking about a winter holiday Practising the past tense
UNIT 2: Einkaufen und Essen		
1	Auf dem Markt	Buying fruit and vegetables Asking for what you want
2	Im Café	Ordering in a café Using definite and indefinite articles
3	Ein Picknick	Saying what you like to eat and drink Using <i>nicht</i> and <i>kein</i> in different situations
4	Wo gehst du einkaufen?	Saying what you can buy in different shops Using <i>in</i> + dative to say where you shop
5	Taschengeld	Talking about pocket money Working out words in a context
6	Einkaufsbummel	Saying what shops someone else went to Using <i>er/sie</i> in the past tense
UNIT 3: Nach der Schule		
1	Siehst du gern Krimis?	Talking about different types of TV programme Saying what you like or prefer using <i>gern</i> and <i>lieber</i>
2	Das Fernsehprogramm	Discussing a TV schedule Saying what you watched last night (using the past tense)
3	Ich schicke SMS	Saying what you and your friends do after school Using <i>sie</i> (they)
4	Skater!	Understanding an interview with a young sportsperson Using <i>müssen</i> with an infinitive
5	Ausflug in den Schwarzwald	Talking about a school trip Using the past tense with <i>wir</i> (we)
6	Alibi	Reading for gist and detail Changing pronouns in the past tense



UNIT 4: Gesundheit!		
1	Der Körper	Naming the parts of the body Forming plurals
2	Was ist los mit dir?	Saying what's the matter Using <i>können</i> to say what you can or can't do
3	Beim Arzt	Describing symptoms Using <i>müssen</i> to say what someone must do
4	Iss dich fit!	Talking about healthy and unhealthy eating Using adverbs of frequency to talk about eating habits
5	Vor dem Spiel	Talking about preparing for a match Using the imperative to give instructions
6	Immer im Training?	Understanding a longer text about sport Changing sentences in the past tense
UNIT 5: Wir gehen aus		
1	Es tut mir Leid	Accepting and turning down invitations Giving reasons using <i>weil</i> (because)
2	Kleidung	Talking about clothes Using adjectives before nouns
3	Auf der Party	Talking about a party you have been to Using <i>ihr</i> (you)
4	Party-Pizza	Making party food Using the sequencers <i>zuerst, dann, danach, zum Schluss</i>
5	Mein Tagesprogramm	Talking about your daily routine Using separable verbs
6	Probleme!	Asking for advice Understanding <i>ich hatte</i>

- There will be an exam at the end of each unit of work, testing listening, reading, speaking and writing skills.