

Course Levels

Our course levels are based on the *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEF)* as prepared by the Council of Europe. Its main aim is to provide a method of assessing and teaching which applies throughout Europe for the validation of language ability. The reference levels (see below) have become widely accepted as the standard for grading an individual's language. The courses of various providers are comparable at an international level.

The four basics of language – Listening, Reading, Speaking, and Writing – are included in each course. Courses marked with either “+” or “++” are suitable for those with some previous knowledge.

Language Use	Level	Requirements	Goals
Elementary User	A1	for people with no or minimal previous knowledge who have never attended a German course	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> to understand and use words and phrases in daily life, family and shopping to introduce yourself and ask others for information to communicate simply with people who speak slowly and clearly and are willing to repeat to write simple words and phrases, for example filling out forms. to describe, in simple sentence, background, education and personal life.
	A1+	for people with little previous knowledge who have already attended an A1 course	
	A1++	for people with basic knowledge, who want to improve or repeat	
	A2	for people who have reached the goals of A1 and can handle basic communication.	
	A2+		
Independent User	B1	for people who have reached the Goals of A2 and are able to communicate well in routine situations.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can report in written and oral form about experiences and events, hopes and dreams. Can manage most situations in daily life with ease
	B1+		

This framework can help with self-assessment however, we recommend a personal course counseling and assessment in our counseling hours.