

German intensive class for beginners and pre-intermediates (A2 - B2)

A completely different way to learn German. With the PDL Method!

Bildungsurlaub / Bildungszeit

You live in Germany and can understand German a little but you don't feel comfortable speaking it?
You think German is a difficult or complicated language to learn?

You have started learning German but want to speak more fluently?

You would like to learn in a refreshing and lively environment?

In this immersive one-week interactive workshop you will

- get all the individual attention you require
- learn at your own pace
- be coached to develop your pronunciation
- practice specific situations of your everyday life
- immerse into the language from the very start.

This German course is designed for expats living in Germany who have had considerable contact with the German language, possibly in the form of classes or lessons, but would like to improve their speaking and fluency skills. Suitable for false beginners and pre-intermediates (A2 - B2) who already understand some German but find it hard to speak.

The main focus of this course will be on communication, on speaking spontaneously and naturally, with special attention to the German pronunciation. Authentic situations stimulate the urge to communicate in German, with the correct grammar and vocabulary provided at the right moment and reflected on later.

The atmosphere is relaxed and friendly and you can expect to have a lot of fun.

The trainer will support you individually according to your needs, and will adapt the course to both your individual and the group's level. You will learn and progress in your oral and writing skills at your own tempo, without any pressure to keep up with anyone.

As there is no formal grammar instruction or testing, the difference in levels will not be a hindrance; there will be no chance of being left behind or having to wait for the others to catch up.

The energy of the group is used to benefit and learn from one another, your own abilities and resources will be enhanced. You will learn to speak German playfully and joyfully.

Some participants may gain in fluency, others in confidence. Some may gain in accuracy, others in diversity of expression. The participants assist each other in an atmosphere of empathy and respect.

Number:	885627
Dates:	30.08. – 03.09.2027 Monday, 9:00 a.m. to Friday, 4.30 p.m.
Duration:	30 hours (40 x 45 minutes)
Level:	A2 – B2
Location:	Cologne
Price:	570,- € (incl. seminar and seminar materials; meals and accommodation are not included)
	Early Bird price (up to 6 weeks before the class begins) 528,- €
Trainer:	Angela Jurczik
Angela Jurczik is a native speaker with considerable extensive experience in teaching German. She is a trainer of German as a Foreign Language to Adults (DAF) and a PDL-Trainer. She has also worked as a business correspondent.	
Her motto: "Languages open doors - everywhere."	
Number of Participants: 6-12	



Angela Jurczik

Course Content

The Trainer will offer a flexible, coordinated progression of exercises. These exercises represent a framework in which the participants can express themselves in German and develop their language skills. The linguistic content itself is not predetermined but arises out of the situation and the needs of the participants. The acquired language corresponds to individual expression and is therefore better integrated.

These exercises include

- relaxation exercises
- warm-ups to promote the attitudes and skills required for learning a foreign language
- pronunciation Training
- individual expression with Support
- dialogues - with participant content
- group-work
- grammar and vocabulary Instruction - upon request
- role plays

On a deeper level:

- development of learning and language learning competencies
- development of listening skills, observation powers, and attentiveness
- training of spontaneity, creativity and playfulness
- development of learning strategies

The way we work

- individual exercises, pair-work, group work
- no tables
- seated, standing, in movement

The **PDL Method** (Psychodramaturgy) is a participant and group-oriented pedagogical approach for language acquisition based on scientific insights. It was conceived in 1977 by Dr. Bernard and Marie Dufeu and has been continuously developed ever since.

Speaking a language is a complex affair requiring a variety of skills and competences. In a PDL course you will not only train your German, improve your fluency and expand your linguistic repertoire, you will also develop the skills and competences that underlie language learning and together make up the so-called "talent for languages".

Organisational Matters

The seminar takes place in Cologne: Bürgerzentrum Alte Feuerwache, Melchiorstraße 3, 50670 Cologne.

Where to eat: there are plenty of shops, bistros within walking distance (approx. 1minute).

Where to stay: We will be happy to send you a list of hotels, guesthouses, etc. that are close to the seminar room.

How to get there

We advise using public transport as parking spaces are scarce.

By public transport:

Tram-lines: 12, 15, 16, 18 (Ebertplatz station, 5 minutes walk)

Bus-line 127 (Ebertplatz stop, 5 minutes walk)

S-Bahn: S6, S11, S12, S13 (Hansaring station, 5 minutes walk)

Regional train: RB 25 (Hansaring stop, 5 minutes' walk)

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Bildungsurlaub, Educational Leave

The seminar is used for professional development and is recognized or can be recognized in various federal states as educational leave / educational time. Please note our "Notice for the employer/Bescheinigung für den Arbeitgeber".

What does it mean?

If you are an employee, your employer is obliged by law (Exception: Bavaria and Saxony) to give you five additional days of leave to attend this course if you request it. To apply for the seminar as "Bildungsurlaub" with your employer, submit the "Bescheinigung für den Arbeitgeber".

If you have any problems applying for the seminar as "Bildungsurlaub", please contact us.

If you would like to know more or if this applies to you, please contact us.

You can also take part in this seminar if you take your vacation leave.