



Greenwich Public Schools Curriculum Overview

Course Name: German 3

Personalized learning is achieved through standards-based, rigorous and relevant curriculum that is aligned to digital tools and resources.

Note: Teachers retain professional discretion in how the learning is presented based on the needs and interests of their students.

Course Description: (from COSG)

This course continues the study of the basic structure of German with emphasis on the development of free expression in speaking and writing. The curriculum is focused on listening, speaking, reading and writing at the novice/intermediate ACTFL proficiency level. Topics include characterizing an individual in terms of personality traits, talents, and accomplishments. Other content areas include vacation and travel, and health habits, healthy eating, and illnesses and injuries.

Unit Guide: (List of Major Units)

1. Unit 1: Getting to Know You
2. Unit 2: Going on Vacation
3. Unit 3: Healthy Living
4. Unit 4: Food and Eating
5. Unit 5: Staying Healthy

Enduring Understandings

- Relationships between people involve an exchange of a wide range of information
- Personal taste and preferences help define the personality of an individual
- One's cultural backdrop influences individual behavior
- Talents and accomplishments vary greatly among individuals
- Vacation choices are influenced by personal preference, personal finance, geography and traditions
- Vacation offerings in German-speaking countries are both similar and different from those in the U.S.
- Lifestyle choices affect one's health and happiness
- Choices regarding food, drink, exercise and sleep can differ between friends, family members and cultures
- Food and eating habits are an integral part of social interaction in all cultures
- The German-speaking culture has similar but also different culinary traditions from the United States

- Food shopping, preparation and consumption vary between cultures and unites friends and strangers
- People in all cultures are concerned with their health
- Taking certain precautions and having good personal hygiene will result in greater chances for good health
- Common illnesses and injuries often have typical causes and remedies

Performance Tasks: (Including Capstone Assured Experiences)

1. Students will interview one another and create a student profile of their partner.
2. Students will identify famous German speakers, past and present, whose accomplishments stem from the professions of sports, economics, technology, science, and the arts, and present this individual to the class.
3. Students will plan a meal together with another student based on likes and dislikes and record a dialogue about planning their meal.
4. Students will write a description and include illustrations of an outfit for going to an important event.
5. Students will express where they and others like to go on vacation in German-speaking countries.
6. Students will narrate a vacation incident using the past tense.
7. Students will describe their and others physical and mental state, describe eating and sleep habits, and express opinions about sun exposure, smoking, drinking and lack of sleep in paired interviews about lifestyle choices.
8. Students will distinguish between their own American-style eating habits and those of German-speaking teenagers.
9. Students will name various foods eaten in school and as snacks and form questions and answers about food choices, availability and food preferences.
10. Students will analyze their own and other students' eating habits and offer appropriate advice,
11. Students will label basic parts of the human body.
12. Students will ask about and express sickness and pain.
13. Students will complete reading and listening comprehension activities.
14. Students will complete interpersonal and presentational speaking and writing activities.
15. Students will complete teacher-generated quizzes and unit assessments to show mastery (vocabulary and grammar along with listening, reading, speaking).
16. Students will complete a capstone project for cultural comparison between German-speaking countries and the US.

Standards

[World Readiness Standards for Learning Languages](#)

[WL Readiness Standards Alignment with Common Core Standards](#)

Resources

1. **Komm Mit! 2** - Textbook and workbook
2. **Komm Mit! 2** - Video series and online audiovisual content
3. Film: Das Leben der Anderen
4. Film: Die Fälscher