



# IB World Languages—German

## Brian Smith

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### Assessment Requirements:

- **Paper 1:** (productive skills)  
One writing task from a choice of three
- **Paper 2:** (receptive skills)  
Separate sections for listening and reading
- **Individual Oral Assessment (IO)**

### Brian Smith

**From:** Lake City, Michigan

**Education:**

*Central Michigan University*

Double Major: English and German with teaching endorsement

Studied abroad for a year in small town in Germany near

Stuttgart the year the Berlin Wall came down

*Michigan State University*

Masters: German Language and Culture

Taught in Gladwin 3 years; started German program there

Has taught at Dow High for 26 years

Is also adjunct professor at CMU

**Also at DHS:** Faculty advisor for German Club

**Hobbies:** Reading, writing, travel, playing the bagpipes, watching movies

**Family:** wife, son who just moved to Paris from Munich, daughter married with two children

**“My favorite thing about teaching is that I get to see growth on a daily basis. Every day, students walk out the door with more than they had when they came in.” – Brian Smith**