

German transition work

Explore...

In Year 12 you will study the highly acclaimed German film 'Good Bye Lenin!' which will make up one half of your A level writing exam. In preparation for your course, choose a German film to watch (with English subtitles) and write a detailed review. Your review should include the following:

- A general overview of the film/plot/genre
- A description of the characters and their role in the film
- Your favourite part / scene and why
- An analysis of what you think are the main themes of the film

You can find a range of German films on platforms such as YouTube, Netflix or Amazon Prime. Here are some suggestions; watch the trailers first. You can also choose your own German film.

- Good Bye Lenin
- Lola Rennt
- Die fetten Jahre sind vorbei
- Das Leben der Anderen
- Sophie Scholl – Die letzten Tage
- Almanyia –Willkommen in Deutschland
- Das Wunder von Bern
- Das weiße Band
- Ballon
- Die Wand
- Der Untergang

Challenge...

You will be studying artistic culture in the German-speaking world in Year 12. Choose any ONE of 'German festivals and traditions', 'German-speaking artist(s) (past and or present)', or 'Museums in Berlin' and prepare a 3-minute presentation in German with slides.

You could choose to take your learning further...

Read or watch the news in German. Aim to read/watch 2 news stories each week and write down 10 new words each time. Here are some websites to try :

- A German 'Newsround' : <https://www.zdf.de/kinder/logo>
- Deutsche Welle 'Top-Thema mit Vokabeln' : <https://learngerman.dw.com/de/top-thema/s-55861562>
- Deutsche Welle : News in slow German : <https://learngerman.dw.com/de/18062022-langsam-gesprochene-nachrichten/a-62176131>
- Nachrichtenleicht : <https://www.nachrichtenleicht.de/nachrichtenleicht-nachrichten-100.html>