

Levels of proficiency within the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)

A2

Can understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment).
Can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters.
Can describe in simple terms aspects of his/her background, immediate environment and matters in areas of immediate need.

B1

Can understand the main points of clear standard input on familiar matters regularly encountered in work, school, leisure, etc.
Can deal with most situations likely to arise whilst travelling in an area where the language is spoken.
Can produce simple connected text on topics which are familiar or of personal interest.
Can describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes & ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.

The DSD (Deutsches Sprachdiplom/German Language Certificate) is a joint undertaking of the German Federal Government and the federal states (Länder).

If you have any questions, please contact

■ **The Central Agency for Schools Abroad (ZfA)**

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Website: www.auslandsschulwesen.de/dsd

or

■ **The Office of the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the Länder in the Federal Republic of Germany (KMK)**

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Contact partners in your country:

In order to find your regional ZfA German language advisor, please visit www.auslandsschulwesen.de/fachberatung or contact the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany or the Consulate General in your area.

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German Language Certificate for vocational schools



DSD I PRO



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Vocational Language

The vocational version of the German Language Certificate, the DSD I PRO (A2/B1), provides certification of the German language proficiency of young adults from the age of 16, who are intending to undertake vocational training or who have already begun.

The vocational content of the examination is a source of motivation for the young people in their learning of German, as they are able to put what they have learned to immediate use. Specialist language is not taught here, but general occupational German used in practice and in vocational training. Communicative situations in the vocational school are also addressed.

A sample of the examination, along with further information, can be found at

www.auslandsschulwesen.de/dsd

Examination

Parts of the exam

- Reading
- Listening
- Writing
- Speaking

Texts and tasks

- letter
- job description
- report on practical experience and training
- instructions
- dialogues at school and in the workplace
- introductory conversation
- presentations
etc.

Implementation

- central examination at recognised DSD schools abroad and at schools in states of the Federal Republic of Germany

Assessment

- central assessment of the written examination components in Germany

Quality

- aligned with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)
- quality assurance through academic support and assessment through testing

Recognition

- recommendation by German Chamber of Commerce and Industry (DIHK) in brochure „Arbeitsplatz Europa“
- recommendation by Bündnis Ausbildung Hessen
- language eligibility for preparatory courses for studies in Germany

