



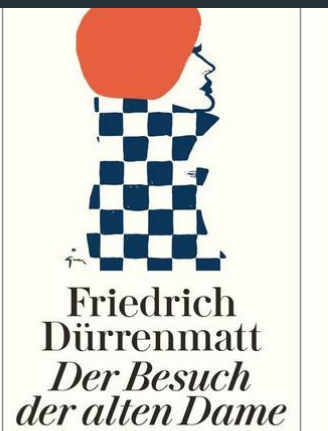
The specification builds on the knowledge, understanding and skills gained at GCSE. It constitutes an integrated study with a focus on language, culture and society. It fosters a range of transferable skills, including communication, critical thinking and creativity. The content has been designed to be of relevance to students.



A-level German is a very enjoyable and stimulating course and will help students develop effective communication skills in the German language, whilst giving them a thorough understanding of the culture of the countries and the communities where German is spoken.

Students will study the film *Good Bye, Lenin!*, the literary text *Der Besuch der alten Dame* and will complete an individual research project.

Students will develop their understanding of themes relating to the society and culture of the countries where German is spoken, and their language skills by using authentic spoken and written sources in German.



The specification is designed to be taken over two years.

Topics covered in Year 1:

- Aspects of German-speaking society
 - The changing state of the family
 - The digital world
 - Youth culture: fashion and trends, music, television
- Artistic culture in the German-speaking world
 - Festivals and traditions
 - Art and architecture
 - Cultural life in Berlin, past and present
- Grammar

Topics covered in Year 2:

- Multiculturalism in German-speaking society
 - Immigration
 - Integration
 - Racism 2.
- Aspects of political life in the German-speaking world
 - Germany and the European Union
 - Politics and youth
 - German re-unification and its consequences
- Grammar

How will students be assessed?

- Paper 1: Listening, reading and writing. 50% of A level
- Paper 2: Writing. 20% of A level
- Paper 3: Speaking. 30% of A level.