

Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will have a better understanding of the German language, customs, people, culture, and food.

Materials and Prep

- Pen and paper
- Access to the internet for research
- Curiosity and an open mind!

Activities

- **Language Exploration:** Learn basic German phrases like greetings, common expressions, and numbers. Practice speaking and writing them down.
- **Cultural Comparison:** Research and compare German and your own country's customs. Create a Venn diagram to show similarities and differences.
- **Cooking Adventure:** Choose a traditional German recipe (like schnitzel or sauerkraut) and cook it with the help of an adult. Enjoy a German meal together!
- **Virtual Tour:** Take a virtual tour of famous German landmarks such as the Brandenburg Gate, Neuschwanstein Castle, or the Berlin Wall. Write down interesting facts about each location.

Talking Points

- **German Language:** "German is the most widely spoken language in Europe. It is known for its compound words like 'Donaudampfschiffahrtsgesellschaftskapitän' which means 'Danube steamship company captain'."
- **German Customs:** "Germans are known for their punctuality and efficiency. It is considered rude to be late for appointments in Germany."
- **German People:** "German society values order, cleanliness, and respect for rules. Family and community are important aspects of German culture."
- **German Culture:** "Germany has a rich cultural heritage with famous composers like Beethoven and Bach. Oktoberfest is a popular festival celebrating Bavarian culture."
- **German Food:** "German cuisine is hearty and diverse, with dishes like bratwurst, pretzels, and Black Forest cake. Beer is an important part of German culture."