

Summer Work for German AP Students

These 200 points are due on the first day of school. If you are absent on the first day, they are due upon your return. If you don't complete these assignments, you will be in a big hole to start the year.

1. **Writing**-Keep a journal throughout the summer. **(80 points)**
 - a. You should have 8 entries.
 - b. Your entries should be about 70 words.
 - c. In these entries talk about
 - i. Things you will be doing-(near future-present tense)
 - ii. Things you did-(simple past)
 - iii. Wishes for your senior year (future-using warden)

2. **Reading**-Internet news articles (not translated) **(60 points)**
 - a. You should print out 6 articles that are a minimum of a full page in length.
 - b. Summarize in English the article
 - c. List 5 new vocab words per article
 - d. Read articles on the following topics
 - i. Politik
 - ii. Kulturelles
 - iii. Sport
 - iv. Unterhaltung
 - v. 2 of your choice

Websites to get news from:

www.n-tv.de (CNN German News)

www.tagesschau.de (Tagesschau news written and spoken)

www.dw-world.de (Deutsch Welle-choose German and go to Nachrichten)

Any German Newspapers you find.

3. **Listening**-Listening to Podcasts-**60 points**
 - a. Listen to 6 episodes of podcasts (15 minutes or more in length) during the summer.
 - b. Summarize the podcasts (in English)
 - c. Write down Vocabulary that is new 5-10 words per podcast)
 - d. Print out title page of podcasts.

Websites to get Podcasts from:

www.tagesschau.de (News-you can listen to an entire newscast or choose segments to listen to.)

iTunes-Select the country Germany and go to podcasts/movies and choose what you would like to download (there are free items (kostenlos) or you could pay for a German movie.

Check out Episodes of Die Sendung mit der Maus. These are great!

www.ard-digital.de/programmvorschau/sender_liste.php

This site is one of the German tv stations and as a list of channels. You might find or be able to listen to a German version of your favorite program.

Check out the TV ZDF (another German station).

If you do all of the above work, you may do one additional writing, reading, and listening for a total of 30 extra credit points. However, ALL of the above work must be completed in order to do the extra credit work.