

FLI G2 - Listening Materials for G2

Listening

Continue with Pimsleur CD's – start in Aufgabe 1 and do two lessons per Aufgabe through Aufgabe 7. In Aufgabe 1 read over the pages on pronunciation and listen to the .wav files on pronunciation found in FLI G1 Aufgabe 1 #2. Also, do the readings for the Pimsleur lessons 10-16 to review pronunciation that are found on tracks 2 and 4 of each lesson CD (need text copy to complete these)

Continue with *Learn to Speak German* - It would probably be better to have the students start with the DW material in Aufgabe 7 of D1 and work with LSG beginning with Aufgabe 1 of D2. Currently, LSG dialogs are assigned for listening as follows (see the 'Contents' in the LSG book)

D1 A7 – Arrival, Changing Money

D1 A8 - Arriving at the Hotel, In the Hotel Room

D1 A9 – Asking about Transportation, Planning a Trip

D1 A10 – Going by Taxi, At the Airport

D2 A2 – At the Travel Agency, At the Gift Shop

D2 A3 – Making a Long-Distance Call, At the Post Office

D2 A4 – A Business Lunch, At the Bank

D2 A5 – Making An Appointment; Greetings, Introductions

Deutsche Welle – on the Internet

www.dw-world.de/english

Select: 'German courses'

Select: 'Learning German'

Select: 'Beginning'

This program is for very beginning students and is based on dialogs. Most of the dialogs are explained in detail in English with excerpts from the dialog in German and then the dialog is often presented in its entirety at the end of the lesson. There are 26 lessons/chapters in the beginning series. To see if the entire dialog without commentary is replayed at the end of the lesson, move the placement marker to a point near the end – you must wait until the lesson is completely loaded before you can move the marker toward the end.

Chapters:

1 – This a song [verb 'sein']

2 – Hey, Taxi [greetings]

3 – Hotel Europa [verb 'sein' II]

4 – Who's speaking, please? [more forms of the verb 'sein']

5 – That is impolite [the German particle 'doch' – forms of 'you' also]

6 – What do you do for a living? [conjugation of verbs I]

7 – You are strange [conjugation of verbs II]

8 – Where do you come from? [questions with interrogative pron. & 'aus', ö & ü]

9 – You already know that? [conjugation of verbs III]

- 10 – Have you got a free room? [asking yes/no questions]
- 11 – Not another of these rooms [yes/no questions; definite and indefinite articles]
- 12 – A student or a porter? [conjugation of verbs IV]
- 13 – Here's my key! [possessive pronouns 'mein', 'dein', ...]
- 14 – You will come to Aachen, won't you? [conjugation of verbs V]
- 15 – Are you selling the cassettes, too? [plural forms]
- 16 – Try it on! [the imperative mood]
- 17 – Four cups – that's four marks altogether [personal pron. & the dir. obj.]
- 18 – No belongings, no luggage ['haben']
- 19 – I'd like to go to sleep [the modal verb 'mögen']
- 20 – Are you ill? [the plural forms of possessive pronouns]
- 21 – I was in Essen [the imperfect tense of 'sein' und 'haben']
- 22 – And what about his wife? [possessive pronouns]
- 23 – Who's that speaking? [irregular verbs]
- 24 – Would you like another cup of coffee [masculine nouns in acc.]
- 25 – I'll pay the rest [pronouns and articles in the acc. case]
- 26 – It's on me [separable verbs]

There is a second set of 26 lessons that one can also hear through the Internet. These lessons are in the same format and continue the story presented in the first 26 lessons.

Chapters:

- 1 – Who are you? [review]
- 2 – What can I do for you? [modal verb 'können']
- 3 – It is very central [review of verb conjugation]
- 4 – Impossible! [the prefix 'un-' and the suffix '-in']
- 5 - A bus can't be charming! [review of personal pronouns]
- 6 – Perhaps she needs help? [[review of word order]
- 7 – My plane leaves at nine o'clock [modal verb 'dürfen']
- 8 – You shouldn't do that! [modal verbs 'sollen' und 'müssen']
- 9 – Bananas for me! [nouns without an article]
- 10 – You always want to know everything [Start of past tense – modal Vb 'wollen']
- 11 – How about going to the theater? ['wohin?']
- 12 – My studies are OK [ind. obj. with nouns and pronouns]
- 13 – Have you got it in black? [compound nouns]
- 14 – It's said to be very interesting ['wo?', 'wem?' + modal Vb 'sollen']
- 15 – A man by the name of Mack the Knife [dative of masculine nouns]
- 16 – Somebody heard that [perfect with 'haben' – w. explanation]
- 17 – Where does the name "Aachen" come from? [more on perfect]
- 18 – He told me that [the dative]
- 19 – How do you speak to an emperor? [dative case II]
- 20 – I've booked a room [dative case III]
- 21 – How do I get to the post office [the particle 'denn']
- 22 – At seven o'clock on Wednesday morning [time expressions]

- 23 – What happened? [perfect tense of separable prefix verbs]
- 24 – I forgot about it [perfect tense of inseparable prefix verbs]
- 25 – Could you give me some more hand towels [Word order with dir obj/ind obj with nouns and pronouns – verbs with dir. obj and ind. obj.]
- 26 – The trip to the Loreley is wonderful [no new grammar]

The German in these two sets of dialogs is excellent and very clear. You need to use a browser with MP3 capabilities and it is best with a fast internet connection. You can download PDF text material for each lesson if you wish to read the material also.

Select: Nachrichten [News reports]

Select: 'Langsam gesprochene Nachrichten'

This program is excellent for very good G3 of G4+ students. The German is spoken very clearly and slowly. Large vocabulary is required as well as some knowledge of the world affairs in English since this about current events. Advanced grammar knowledge is also needed.

Select: 'German courses'

Select: 'Learning German'

Select: 'Intermediate'

There are another two sets of dialogs of 26 episodes each at the intermediate level that deal with grammar for G3.

<http://www.redaktion-d.de/>

Select 'English'

Select 'Online Course'

Redaktion-d is a Goethe Institute course for students just starting to learn German – I think this is probably better for G3 or beyond based on my examination of the one sample activity which was a ordering of four video with dialog clips.

It has a cost of something over \$400, but has a variety of features including professional instructor/tutors who answer questions and correct all written work w/in 48 hours.

MUZZY – a BBC children's German learning program that comes in two levels. This is produced by a very reputable media/new company and should be very effective, although it may be geared for children younger than high school. It costs ca \$200 per level and I have not seen it. Can read about it and order it or order it for a 60 trial through:
<http://www.early-advantage.com>