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In this module, you will find

1. Dictionary

Illustrated dictionary containing the useful vocabulary for this module and a guide with German pronunciations.

2. School map

Cut out the words and put them in the correct places on the school map: **das Klassenzimmer** (Classroom); **die Bibliothek** (Library); **der Schulhof** (Schoolyard).

3. Memory game

Mix the 16 yellow school picture cards and place them face down on the table. Each player turns over two cards to try to find a matching pair. When a player finds a pair, they should say in German: "Das ist ein/e ..." and name the word shown on the cards (e.g., classroom, desk, teacher, etc.). The player with the most pairs at the end of the game wins!



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4. Match the pairs

Start with a smaller number of pairs that need to be found and matched. Mix the chosen yellow picture cards with the corresponding red word cards and place them face down on the table. Each player takes turns flipping over two cards to try to match the picture with the correct word.

Whenever a player finds a matching pair, they should name what they found before keeping the pair and taking another turn. If the cards do not match, they are turned face down again and the next player continues.

The player with the most matched pairs at the end of the game wins.



5. Role Play- At School

In this activity, students practice basic school vocabulary and simple questions in German through a playful role-play. Students first read a short two part comic, and then continue with a role play activity using cards.

Divide the students into pairs and assign roles: teacher and student. Give each student a role card with a simple question or answer written on it. The pairs act out a short conversation using their cards. After each round, they can switch roles and try again.

This role-play can also be done as a group activity: one student draws a question card and looks for the classmate who has the matching answer.

Through this game, students learn German school vocabulary, places, supplies, and useful everyday phrases.



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Let's practice German through role-play!
I'll be the teacher, and you'll be the student.

I will say:
Hallo!
Willkommen in der Schule!
And you: **Hallo, Lehrerin!**

Hallo, Lehrerin!



Das ist das Klassenzimmer.
- This is the classroom.

Ich mag das Klassenzimmer.
- I like this classroom.

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1. Teacher: **Hallo! Willkommen in der Schule!**- Hello! Welcome to school!
Student: **Hallo, Lehrerin!** - Hello, teacher!
2. Teacher: **Das ist das Klassenzimmer.** - This is the classroom.
Student: **Ich mag das Klassenzimmer.** - I like this classroom.
3. Student: **Wo ist die Bibliothek?** - Where is the library?
Teacher: **Neben der Tür!** - Over there, next to the door.
4. Student: **Wo ist der Schulhof?**- Where is the schoolyard?
Teacher: **Draußen! Lass uns nach draußen gehen!** - Outside! Let's go outside!
5. Student: **Kann ich auf die Toilette gehen?** - Can I go to the toilet?
Teacher: **Ja, du kannst.** - Yes, you can.
6. Teacher: **Bitte, gib mir den gelben Buntstift.** - Please, give me the yellow colored pencil.
Student: **Es tut mir leid, ich habe ihn nicht. Ich habe einen roten!** - Sorry, I haven't got it. I have got a red one!
7. Teacher: **Bitte, gib mir zwei blaue Hefte.** - Please, give me two blue notebooks.
Student: **Bitte schön!** - Here you go!
8. Teacher: **Bitte, gib mir das grüne Buch.** - Please, give me the green book.
Student: **Hier ist das grüne Buch!**- Here's the green book!



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6. "Hör gut zu!" – Listen and show

The teacher says one word in German.

The child must point to the correct card or touch the object in the classroom.

Examples:

- "Buch!" (Book)
- "Tür!" (Door)
- "Bibliothek!" (Library)
- "Klassenzimmer!" (Classroom)

Optional (slightly harder):

- "Zeig Buch!" (Show book!)
- "Zeig Tür!" (Show door!)

7. "Wo ist...?" – Where is it? (Hiding game)

The teacher hides one card somewhere in the classroom. The children guess by saying one word in German, naming the place or object.

Examples:

- "Bibliothek?" (Library?)
- "Tür?" (Door?)
- "Klassenzimmer?" (Classroom?)

The teacher answers only:

- "Ja!" (Yes)
- "Nein!" (No)

The game continues until the children find the hidden card.

8. "Der kleine Lehrer" – The child as the teacher

One child receives the "teacher role" and gets 3 cards. The child gives instructions by saying word in German and showing the card.

Examples:

- "Buch!" (Book)
- "Tür!" (Door)
- "Bibliothek!" (Library)

The other children:

- point to the correct card, touch the object, or repeat the word together.

Optional (slightly harder):

- "Zeig Buch!"
- "Zeig Tür!"

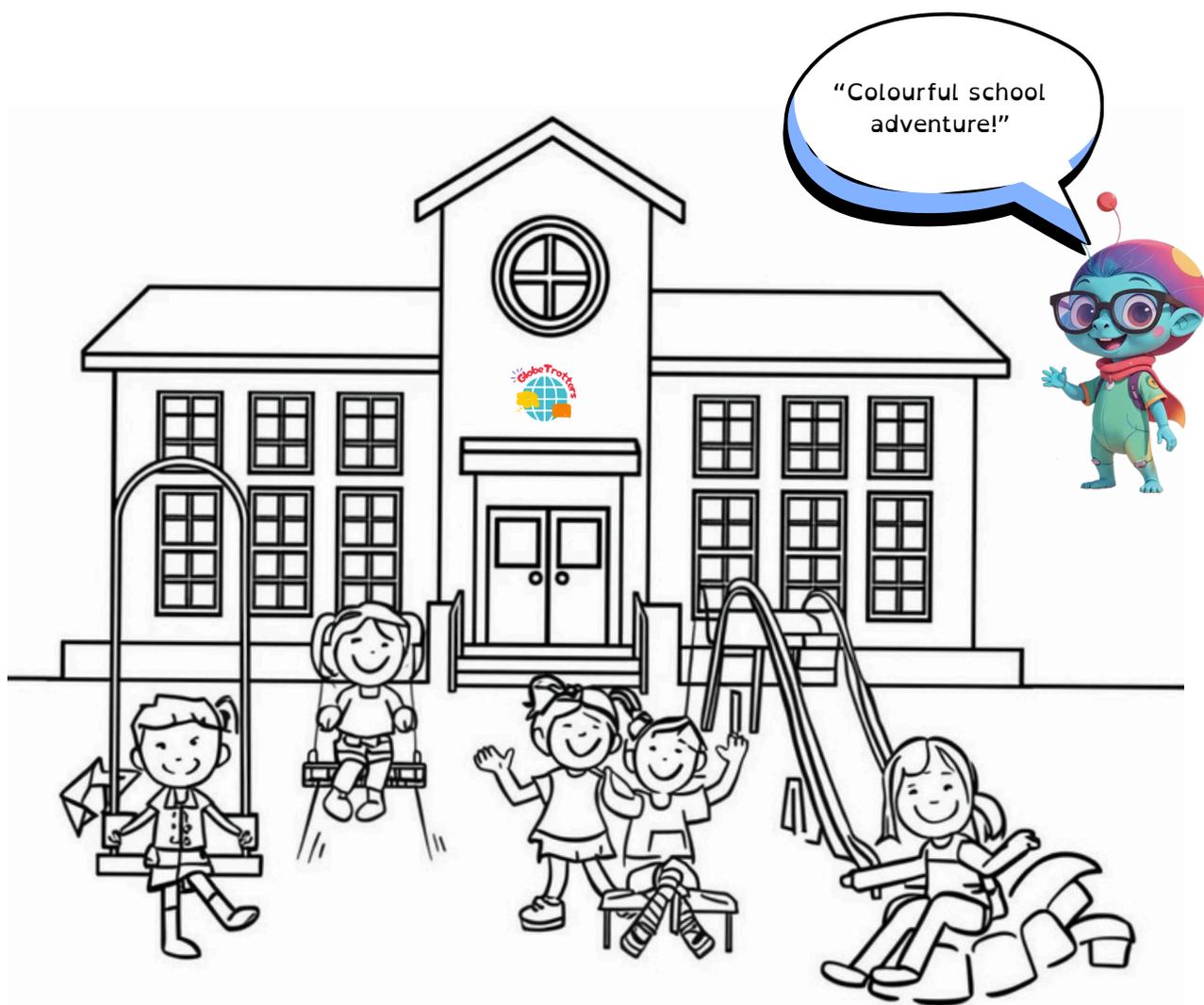


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9. "Colourful school adventure!" drawing

In front of you is a drawing of a school with a playground full of happy children. Color it using your favorite colors and don't forget to use the colors you learned today in Germany: blue (blau), red (rot), yellow (gelb), and green (grün)!



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Dictionary



rot



gelb



grün



blau



die Schule



das Klassenzimmer



der Schulhof



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Die Toilette



Das Buch



Das Heft



Der Bleistift



Buntstifte



Let's go outside!

**Lass uns nach
draußen gehen!**



please

Bitte



excuse me

Entschuldige



Here you go!

Bitte schön!



Eins Zwei Drei



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School Map



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Guide to German Pronunciation

German pronunciation is mostly regular, but some letters and combinations make sounds that do not exist in English. Here is a simple guide to help you read German words correctly:

Vowels and vowel combinations

ä – Sound: like “e” in bed

Example: Mädchen (girl)

ö – Sound: similar to “i” in bird (British) or “u” in fur, but with rounded lips

Example: schön (beautiful)

ü – Sound: like saying “ee” (as in see) while rounding your lips

Example: Tüte (bag)

au – Sound: like “ow” in cow

Example: Haus (house)

ei – Sound: like “i” in bike

Example: eins (one)

ie – Sound: like “ee” in see

Example: Biene (bee)

eu / äu – Sound: like “oy” in boy

Example: Freund (friend)

“German words are mostly pronounced the way they are written, but some letters have special sounds. Look at this guide when you see a new word!”

Consonants

ch

Two pronunciations:

1. Soft “hissing” sound (like air through teeth) after e, i, ä, ö, ü

Example: ich (I)

2. Stronger sound in the throat, like the Scottish loch

Example: Buch (book)

sch – Sound: like “sh” in shoe

Example: Schule (school)

sp / st at the beginning of a word – Sound: “shp” / “sht”

Examples: Sport (shport), Stein (shtine)

j – Sound: like “y” in yes

Example: ja (yes)

w – Sound: like “v” in English

Example: Wasser (water)

v – Usually sounds like “f”

Example: Vogel (fo-gel)

z – Sound: like “ts” in cats

Example: zehn (ten)

ß – Sound: like a double “s”

Example: Straße (street)

r – Soft and often pronounced in the throat, not like the English “r”

Example: rot (red)

ng – Sound: like “ng” in sing

Example: singen (to sing)











Die Schule

**Das
Klassenzimmer**

Der Schulhof

Die Bibliothek

Die Lehrerin

Das Heft

Das Buch

Der Bleistift



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school!

Student:

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Hello, teacher!

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Student:

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Student:

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Where is the library?

Teacher:

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**Wo ist der
Schulhof?**

Where is the
schoolyard?

Teacher:

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Let's go outside!



Student:

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Toilette gehen?**

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Teacher:

Ja, du kannst.

Yes, you can.

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"Colourful school adventure!"

