

RATING YOUR LANGUAGE LEARNING CAPABILITY FOR GERMAN

Name in English:

Last: _____

First: _____

Date: _____

Teacher's name: _____

Your level of study in German (Circle one) 1 2 3 4 5

How confident are you about learning and using German? Reading, listening, and speaking are activities you do to learn and use German. This questionnaire describes different kinds of tasks you might do in German. For each kind of task, you are going to rate how sure you are that you could work on a language task *like the one described* and do what you are supposed to do in a reasonable amount of time.

The rating scale goes from 0 to 100. Marking a higher number means you are more sure that you could do the activity, while marking a lower number means you are less sure that you could do it. Please mark how you *really* feel about your capability to do a language task like the one described.

There are no right or wrong answers. There are only answers that tell how you actually feel.

Reading German

Reading is a frequent activity you use for learning and using German. You may often read texts such as dialogues, stories, advertisements, and articles in German as part of classwork or on your own.

Circle the number on the line below that shows how sure you that you could read a text in German and...

R1. **...figure out the main topic or gist.**

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Not Somewhat Kind Very Completely
sure unsure of sure sure sure

R2. **...answer questions about very specific information.**

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Not Somewhat Kind Very Completely
sure unsure of sure sure sure

R3. **...figure out the meanings of words or phrases you don't understand.**

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R4. **...retell in English what you read.**

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R5. **...use a German text to accomplish a task in real life (e.g., find an apartment in Munich by reading the classifieds).**

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Listening to German

You may often listen to people speaking German--your teacher, classmates, and native speakers (in person, on videotapes, and on cassettes), and you want to make sure you understand them.

Circle the number on the line below that shows how sure you are that you could listen to German and...

L1. ...understand the gist of what you hear.

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 Not Somewhat Kind Very Completely
 sure unsure of sure sure sure

L2. ...understand details.

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 Not Somewhat Kind Very Completely
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L3. ...figure out the meanings of words or phrases you don't understand.

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L4. ...retell in English what you heard.

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L5. ...use the information heard in German to accomplish a task in real life (e.g., hear a weather report and decide what to wear outside).

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Speaking German

Part of learning and using German is being able to speak it. In class you may have to answer questions, talk to classmates, give reports and summaries, and give information about yourself. Outside of class you might have conversations with native speakers and friends.

Circle the number on the line below that shows how sure you are that you could speak German and...

S1. **...communicate the main point(s) of what you want to say.**

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S2. **...give supporting details and explanations at a listener's request.**

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S3. **...solve communication problems when you don't know how to say something or when the listener doesn't understand.**

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S4. **...know whether the listener is understanding you correctly.**

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S5. **...accomplish a task in real life (e.g., You get sick in Heidelberg, and you have to describe your symptoms to a doctor).**

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Learning Vocabulary

Learning new words is a major part of learning German. You may have to learn vocabulary given to you by your teacher and in the textbook. You might also learn words that you want to know.

Circle the number on the line below that shows how sure you are that you could have a list of German vocabulary words like you have in class and...

V1. **...learn what each word means.**

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V2. **...use each word correctly in a sentence.**

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V3. **...hear or read sentences with these words and understand the meaning of the sentences.**

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V4. **...remember the meaning of each word a month later.**

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V5. **...understand or use the word in a real life setting.**

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