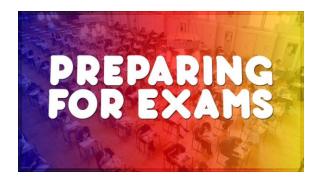
# Preparing to revise Deutsch Mocks 2023







## Why should we revise?



To remind you of things you have forgotten



To make links
with other
learning so you
have the bigger
picture



To reinforce learning



To identify what you don't know



To check understanding



It reduces panic
- gives you
control and
confidence



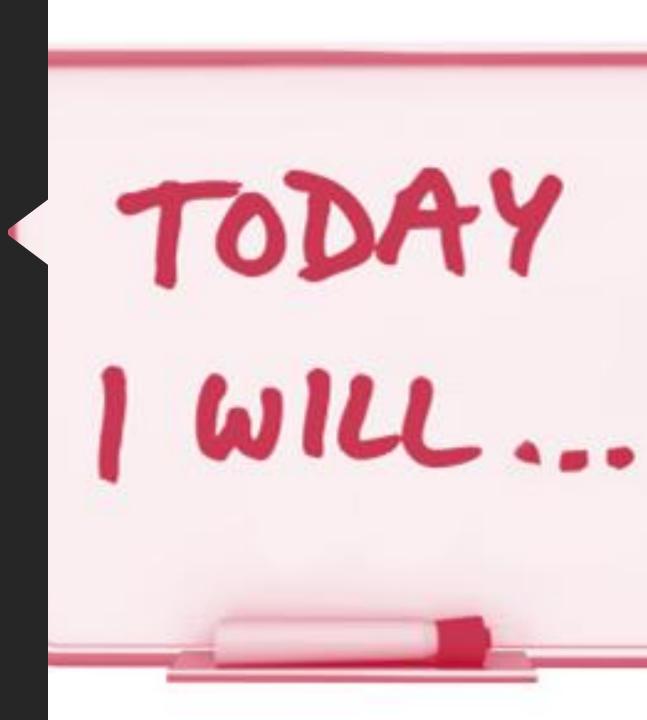
It means that exams reflect what you can do, not what you didn't bother to do!!



Achieve better results!

## Prepare a Target

- Set short-term realistic goals. Not too ambitious or too far in the future.
- O Break down your goals into manageable targets, for example start with a quizlet first to remind you of vocab, then follow up by putting words into sentences.
- When you have hit your target, set a new one straight away.
- Know why you are revising and prepare to stick with it.



# Use this template to help you reflect on your revision as you work through each topic

Topic:

Main Concepts

**Key Words** 

Point you find most difficult to remember

# Topics— these are the topics I suggest you cover for your mocks

#### **Topics**

- O Wo wohne ich/ In der Stadt
- In der Schule
- Ferien
- C Essen
- C Einkaufen
- Freizeit Sport / Musik
- Fernsehen/Internet/Technologie
- Tägliche Routine
- O Besuch in Deutschland/Österreich/ in der Schweiz

#### Language Awareness

- The Verbs 'haben" und "sein"
- The Present Tense
- Future Tense
- O Past Tense
- Numbers
- Word Order
- O Definite / Indefinite Articles
- Cases Nominative/ Accusative/ Dative? Genitive



Fragen (Questions): study the questions in your exam papers. Make sure you are familiar with the terminology used



Hörverstandnis: Practice the listening in your exam papers or go over the exercises in your book

#### Other areas

## Other areas I suggest you look at

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## Prepare a plan



- Fill in a revision timetable. Priority should be given to the areas that you feel needs more preparation.
- Show others your plan, put it up in a visible place around the house (on the fridge or in your living room), this will make you more accountable and more likely to stick to it.
- You should plan for 20 minute revision blocks and set a specific target for each block. Setting a target of revising all of German in 20 minutes is never going to happen, however setting a specific target like to be able to learn 10 sentences about School (Die Schule) is much more achievable.

## Prepare Appropriately

Be realistic about what you can deliver

Decide on a revision plan which will work for you. How many hours do you need to do of a night? Do you have other commitments you can't get out of? Leave some time for breaks, meals and free time but ensure you have a good time slot each night for revision.

# Prepare your priorities

When you get the mocks timetable find out the exact dates of your exams. You will know how much time you have left before each exam. It might help to draw up a table which includes all your subjects and all the weeks you have until the last exam, and then fill in the exam dates.

Look at the marking scheme in the German paper and consider how you might ensure you have revised questions worth higher marks well.



## Marking Scheme and Timing



- We are not completely sure how the German paper will be marked but this is a sample. You could use this for guidance:
- Marking Scheme and Timing Plan.
- Overall Marks = 360 2 hours
- Section A: Listening = 140 Marks- 10 Questions (35%)around 30 minutes
- Section B = Reading = 140 marks -6 Questions (35%) 50 minutess
- Section C Writing 80 Marks 3 Questons (20%) 40 minutes

#### Revision Timetable

Name Time Time Time Time Time Time Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Failling to prepare is preparing for failure.

You can do it!!

Quitters never win

# Prepare your understanding of all topics

There is no point in beginning to revise the verb "haben" if you are pretty confident in it. You should look at an area you have not studied as intensely and begin with that. Therefore if you run out of time you will know that you have definitely revised the hardest stuff! I will attach a list of topics I think you should have ready and you can tick as you go. Only tick if you feel you are exam ready though!



# Prepare your workspace

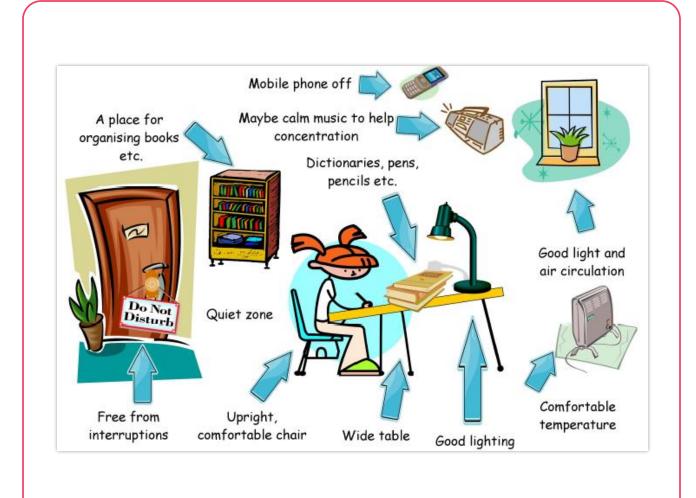
Make sure you have sufficient space for revising as you may need to spread your work out. Use a table or a desk and avoid using your bed to revise.

Ask people around you to keep noise to a minimum.

Do not revise with a TV or music playing in the background as you will be doing the exam in silence.

Having noise in the background does not help your context dependent memory; this means that if you do your revision in a similar environment to when you are doing the test it will be easier for you to recall information.

# Prepare your Study Area

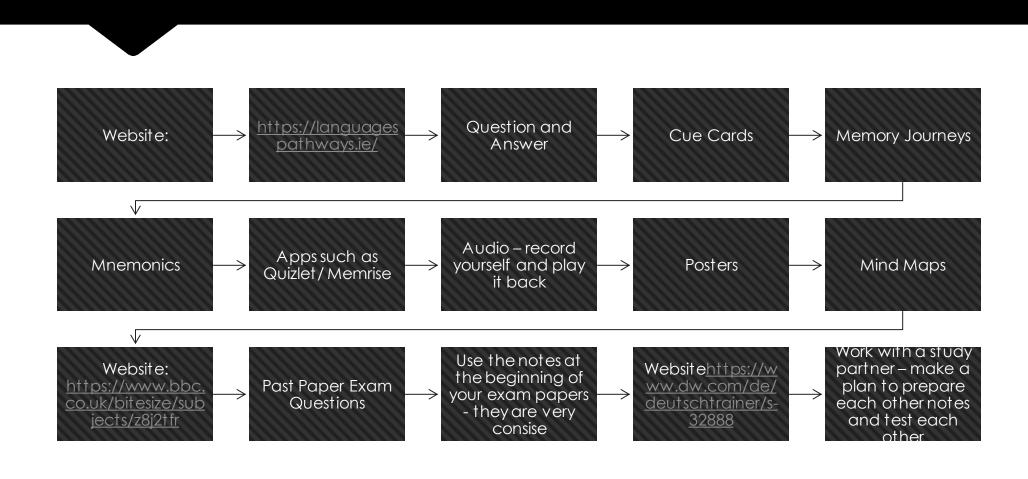


# Prepare your equipment

The basic supplies you require may be notebooks, highlighter pens and writing pens. You may also need items that are specific to particular subjects. For example, in German you should always have your copy, access to your One Note area, the textbook and exam papers. Also make sure you have suitable food and drink as staying full and hydrated will allow you to concentrate and work better.



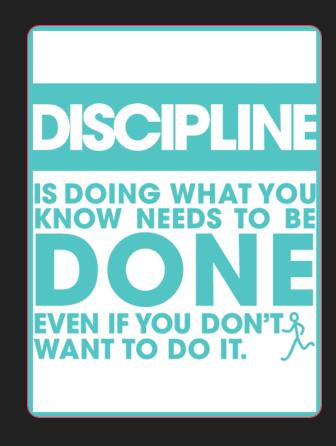
## Prepare different revision techniques



## Prepare to be disciplined

You have your plan so now you need to motivate yourself to stick to it!

There may be days that have been difficult in school (perhaps you have had a test or a long controlled assessment to complete) so it is ok to be flexible occasionally. However it is important that you stick to your plan as much as possible. Reward yourself with a break, or a treat when you do.



## OÜbung macht den Meister

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(lit. practice makes the master)



## Prepare for Breaks and rest

Work in 20 minute bursts and then ensure you have a short rest period. Evidence shows that rest after revising can improve your long term memory.

Do not revise too late at night. You need some time to relax before going to bed.



### Prepare for sleep

Researchers have also shown that after people sleep, they tend to retain information and perform better on memory tasks. Our bodies all require long periods of sleep in order to restore and rejuvenate, to grow muscle, repair tissue, and synthesize hormones.

We have to sleep because it is essential to maintaining normal levels of cognitive skills such as speech, memory, innovative and flexible thinking. In other words, sleep plays a significant role when preparing for exams.



#### Make a Start!

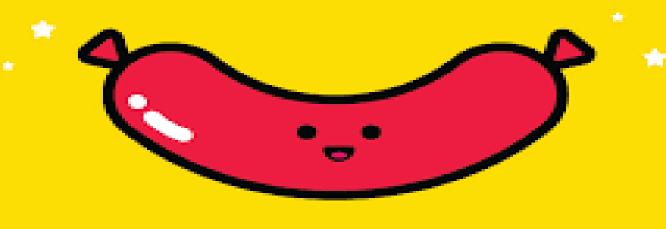
You have your plan, you have your resources, you have your study area ready and now you are ready to start.

Remember why you are revising, stick to your plan and prepare yourself as best you can follower.





#### Alles hat ein Ende, nur die Wurst hat zwei.



#### Reflection

Do you understand the importance of revision?

What support do you need?

Are you as prepared as you could be for revision?

What might you change?

## Jetzt mach einen Plan:

- 1. Take 10- 15 areas that you will cover for these mocks
- 2. Prioritise them remember the advice.
   What do you need to do most? Check marking scheme. Look at previous questions
- 3. them into a timetable over the next three weeks (20 minute blocks)
- 4.Record how you are progressing
- 5. Let me know if I can help