

GOETHE GERMAN CERTIFICATION FOR YOUNG LEARNERS

The **Goethe-Zertifikat A1: Fit in Deutsch 1** is a German exam for **children and young people** between **10 and 16 years of age**. It certifies that candidates have acquired very basic language skills and corresponds to the first level (A1) on the six-level scale of competence laid down in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

PASSING THE EXAM DEMONSTRATES THAT YOU CAN ...

- ask and reply to simple questions as well as make and respond to requests,
- write about yourself and others using simple expressions and sentences,
- understand conversations and texts about familiar topics.

EXAM SPECIFICATION:

Reading (20 minutes) - You will be asked to read texts such as brief notes, classified advertisements, descriptions of people, simple letters to the editor or short newspaper articles and complete exercises on these texts.

Writing (20 minutes) - You will be asked to reply to an email, letter, advertisement or similar piece of correspondence.

Listening (20 minutes) - You will be asked to listen to short everyday conversations, personal telephone messages, information on the radio and similar recordings and complete various exercises on what you have heard.

Speaking (15 minutes)- You will be asked to introduce yourself, ask questions on everyday matters and answer simple questions. You will also be required to make requests and respond to your conversation partner in situations with which you are familiar.

The **Goethe-Zertifikat A2: Fit in Deutsch** is a German exam for **young people** between the **ages of 12 and 16**. It certifies that candidates have acquired basic language skills and corresponds to the second level (A2) on

the six-level scale of competence laid down in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

PASSING THE EXAM DEMONSTRATES THAT YOU CAN ...

- understand and use sentences and common expressions in everyday situations,
- make yourself understood in simple, routine situations requiring an exchange of information on familiar and common topics,
- describe your background and education, immediate surroundings and other matters associated with your immediate needs, in a simple way.

EXAM SPECIFICATION:

Reading (30 minutes) - You will be asked to read texts such as short newspaper articles, emails, advertisements and public announcement boards, and then complete exercises about what you have read.

Writing (30 minutes) - You will be asked to write messages related to your everyday environment,

Listening (30 minutes) - You will be asked to listen to everyday conversations, announcements and interviews on the radio, messages on the telephone and public announcements, and complete exercises about what you have heard.

Speaking (15 minutes)- You will be asked to pose and answer questions in conversations about yourself, converse about your own life and make agreements or negotiate with your conversation partner.

GOETHE GERMAN CERTIFICATION FOR ADULTS

The **Goethe-Zertifikat A1: Start Deutsch 1** is a German exam for **adults**. It certifies that candidates have acquired very basic language skills and

corresponds to the first level (A1) on the six-level scale of competence laid down in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

PASSING THE EXAM DEMONSTRATES THAT YOU CAN ...

- communicate in a simple manner if the person you are speaking to talks slowly and clearly,
- understand and use familiar, every day and common expressions and simple sentences (e.g. information about yourself and your family or about shopping, work and your immediate surroundings),
- introduce yourself and others, as well as ask others about themselves, e.g. where they live, who they know and what they own.

EXAM SPECIFICATION:

Reading (25 minutes) - You will be asked to read texts such as brief notes, classified advertisements, signposts and posters and complete exercises on these texts.

Writing (20 minutes) - You will be asked to fill in simple forms and write a short text about yourself on an everyday topic.

Listening (20 minutes) - You will be asked to listen to short everyday conversations, telephone messages or public announcements over a loudspeaker and complete exercises on what you have heard.

Speaking (15 minutes)- You will be asked to introduce yourself to the group before taking part in a question-and-answer session on everyday matters and asking someone in the group for something.

The **Goethe-Zertifikat A2** is a German exam for **adults**. It requires elementary language skills and corresponds to the second level (A2) on the six-level scale of competence laid down in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).

PASSING THE EXAM DEMONSTRATES THAT YOU CAN ...

- understand and use sentences and common expressions in everyday situations,
- make yourself understood in simple, routine situations demanding an exchange of information on familiar and common topics,
- describe your background and education, immediate surroundings and other matters associated with your immediate needs in a simple way.

EXAM SPECIFICATION:

Reading (30 minutes) - You will be asked to read texts such as short newspaper articles, emails, advertisements and public announcement boards, and then complete exercises about what you have read.

Writing (30 minutes) - You will be asked to write messages related to your everyday environment,

Listening (30 minutes) - You will be asked to listen to everyday conversations, announcements and interviews on the radio, messages on the telephone and public announcements, and complete exercises about what you have heard.

Speaking (15 minutes)- You will be asked to pose and answer questions in conversations about yourself, converse about your own life and make agreements or negotiate with your conversation partner.