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COURSE TITLE: German I

COURSE TEXTS & RESOURCES:
- *Textbook Audio and Lab Manuel Audio* is located at the Online Learning Center at www.mhhe.com/dnk6
- *Other Online Resources* at dict.leo.org

COURSE OBJECTIVES:
- A sound foundation of German vocabulary (10 words memorized per day is ideal)
- An introductory grasp of German grammar and syntax
- Facility in German pronunciation
- Reinforcement of the student’s grasp of grammar through the study of German

SKILLS TO BE DEVELOPED:
- Confidence in the use of the German language
- Ability to communicate effectively, both in written and spoken German at a basic level
- Knowledge of the rules of German grammar and composition
- Confidence and ability to read, write and speak the German language at a basic level

SCOPE AND SEQUENCE OF COVERED MATERIAL:
1. Greetings and farewells, formal and informal address, alphabet pronunciation, spelling and numbers
2. Nouns, gender and definite articles; personal pronouns; infinitive and present tense verbs; the verb sein; word order; forming questions
3. The verb haben; nominative and accusative cases; indefinite and definite articles; the der words dieser and welcher; negation; verbs with stem-vowel changes; plural nouns
4. Possessive adjectives; personal pronouns in accusative case; prepositions with accusative case; the verbs werden and wissen
5. Separable prefix verbs and sentence bracketing; model auxiliary verbs in present tense; the imperative, formal imperative, particles and bitte with the imperative and informal imperative
6. The Dative case including personal pronouns, articles and possessive adjectives, indirect objects, verbs with a dative object only and prepositions; interrogative pronouns
7. Two-way prepositions; describing location; describing placement; expressing time with prepositions; expressing events in the past, the simple past tense of sein and haben and the simple past tense of models
8. Coordinating conjunctions and expressing contrast; the present perfect tense including weak verbs, strong verbs, the use of haben or sein as auxiliary, mixed verbs and past participles with prefixes; expressing comparison including the comparative and expressing equality
9. Connecting sentences including subordinating conjunctions and indirect questions; reflexive pronouns and verbs including verbs with accusative reflexive pronouns, verbs with reflexive pronouns in the accusative or dative and expressing reciprocity.
DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS:

**Summa Cum Laude** diploma candidates are required to follow the Kolbe Core course (K) as outlined in this course plan if they have chosen to use the Italian language to fulfill two of their four years of foreign language requirement. **Magna Cum Laude** and **Standard** diploma candidates may choose to follow the Kolbe Core course (K), but are not required to do so, in which case parents may alter the course plan if they choose. **Summa** students must complete 4 years of foreign language during their high school course of study including Latin I and II, but may choose to study any alternate foreign language for the remaining two years. **Magna** students must complete 3 years of any foreign language during their high school course of study including two years in the same language. **Standard** diploma students may complete either 1 year of foreign language or 2 years of visual/performing arts. Please see below for specific course titles, semester reporting requirements and transcript designations for Italian I.

REQUIRED SAMPLE WORK:

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<tr>
<th>Designation*</th>
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<td>Semester 1</td>
<td>Any TWO samples of written and graded work from Semester 1.</td>
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<td>Semester 2</td>
<td>Any TWO samples of written and graded work from Semester 2.</td>
<td>1. Completed Semester 2 Midterm Exam 2. Completed Semester 2 Final Exam</td>
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*Designation refers to designation type on transcript. K designates a Kolbe Academy Core course.

If the student wishes to have the course distinguished on the transcript with a (K) as a Kolbe Academy Core course please be sure to send the correct exams and components each semester for verification as specified above. If no designation on the transcript is desired, parents may alter the lesson plan and any written sample work is acceptable to receive credit for the course each semester. If you have any questions regarding what is required for the (K) designation or diploma type status, please contact the academic advisory department at 707-255-6499 ext. 5 or by email at advisors@kolbe.org.

COURSE PLAN CHAPTER OUTLINE:

**German I (K)**

Semester 1

Week 1: Einführung

Weeks 2-4: Kapitel 1

Weeks 5-8: Kapitel 2

Week 9: Study Review

Weeks 10-12: Kapitel 3

Weeks 13-15: Kapitel 4

Week 16: Erstes Zwischenspiel

Week 17: Semester 1 Study Review

Testing Schedule

Week 4: Kapitel 1 Chapter Test

Week 8: Kapitel 2 Chapter Test

Week 9: Semester 1 Midterm

Week 12: Kapitel 3 Chapter Test

Week 15: Kapitel 4 Chapter Test

Week 18: Semester 1 Final Exam

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Semester 2
  Weeks 1-4: Kapitel 5
  Weeks 5-8: Kapitel 6
  Week 9: Study Review
  Weeks 10-13: Kapitel 7
  Weeks 14-16: Kapitel 8
  Week 17: Semester 2 Study Review
  And Zweites Zwischenspiel

COURSE PLAN METHODOLOGY AND INSTRUCTION:

❖ Kolbe has provided chapter tests to be given at the end of every chapter. Students are advised to study
  the vocabulary located at the end of the chapters as well as the grammar tables provided in each chapter
  in order to do well on their chapter tests.

❖ Memorization is the key to learning any language. A diligent student should keep flash cards and devote
  fifteen to twenty minutes daily to memorization. Emphasis should be placed on repetition and
  memorization, as these are the primary ways to learn a language. Repetition need not equal drudgery;
  repetition can take the form of games, contests, etc. This is especially helpful for younger students. At
  minimum, flashcards are a very useful way for students to learn and study vocabulary words.

❖ For help with German pronunciation, go to the Deutsch: Na Klar! website at:
  http://www.mhhe.com/dnk6 and click the “Online Learning Center” student edition icon on the left-
  hand side of the page. Chose a chapter (kapital) and then click on “Lab Audio Program”. You will see
  multiple links appear to that chapter’s activities. At the top of all the links there is an “Aussprache”
  section with muliple “übungen” which specifically address proper pronunciation. This exists for every
  chapter and correlates directly to the Lab Manuel.

❖ Students will access the Online Learning Center (OLC), found at the web address
  http://www.mhhe.com/dnk6, anytime they see the headphone icon in the textbook, which designates a
  listening activity. For the list of listening activity links which correlate to the textbook, they will click the
  “Textbook Audio” link and then go to the corresponding chapter and activity.

❖ Students will also access the OLC in order to complete their Lab Manuel exercises by going to the OLC
  (student edition), choosing a chapter, and then clicking the “Lab Audio Program” (LAP). There the student
  will find all the links necessary to complete the Lab Manuel exercises.

❖ Students will also access the OLC to make use of the practice vocabulary and grammar quizzes. They are
  found at the OLC student edition page by simply choosing a chapter. The answer key to the practice
  quizzes can be found at the OLC instructor edition.

❖ It is important to note that the OLC contains much useful information and it is encouraged that the student
  become familiar and comfortable with the website before the course begins. It is also useful to begin
  listening to German online and to view YouTube videos to become familiar with the sound of the German
  Language. (Note: Parents should absolutely preview each video and/or radio broadcast beforehand to
  make sure it is appropriate for their students)

❖ There are EIGHT chapter tests and FOUR exams provided with this course plan. Kolbe’s exams will cover
  those chapters laid out in the lesson plan. If you deviate from the course plan, alter your test to reflect the
  chapters you covered.

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English grammar sources should be used when necessary to clarify grammatical points. A German dictionary may prove useful to the student to have as a reference when needed. Any English to German/German to English dictionary will do.

***Teacher access is only available to fully enrolled families or students in single course enrollment

ASSIGNMENTS:

1) Each week the weekly course plan lesson should be read carefully. Each lesson begins with the information covered in the Deutsch: Na Klar! textbook, which will be abbreviated hereafter as simply “Text”. Remember to refer to the OLC “Textbook Audio” wherever the headphone icon appears as it designates a listening activity. The textbook audio can be found by going to the Online Learning Center (OLC) at http://www.mhhe.com/dnk6.

2) Next, the lesson plan will move to the Workbook activities, which will be abbreviated hereafter as “WB”. The WB activities will reinforce what the student has learned that week from the Text and will give the student a chance to practice the newly covered concepts.

3) Lastly, the lesson plan will move to the Lab Manuel, abbreviated hereafter as “LM”. The LM activities are always completed in correlation with the Lab Audio Program (LAP) found by going to the Online Learning Center (OLC) at http://www.mhhe.com/dnk6.
## FIRST SEMESTER

### KOLBE ACADEMY WELCOME WEEK

- Read through the Kolbe Academy Syllabus and the Course Plan Methodology for German I.
- Read through the Preface of the textbook and familiarize yourself with the organization of the text.
- Take note of the Grammar Tables in Appendix B as well as the Vocabularies in the back of the text.
- Go to the text website at [http://www.mhhe.com/dnk6](http://www.mhhe.com/dnk6) and practice finding the OLC, the Textbook Audio and the LAP as explained above in the Course Plan Methodology and Instruction.
- Become familiar with the way in which the Textbook Audio corresponds to the text and the LAP corresponds to the LM.
- Locate the online practice vocabulary and grammar quizzes in the student edition and the quiz answer keys in the instructor edition.
- Look ahead in the Kolbe syllabus to the coming weeks and make sure you understand what each assignment is and how to find each assignment.
- Plan how you will approach memorization, such as making and using flashcards, websites, etc.
- Become familiar with the vocabulary you will be using next week found on pp. 18-19. Make flash cards for memorization purposes. If possible, it is best to be ahead one week with vocabulary.

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### WEEK 1

#### Einführung

This first week of the course will be spent in the Einführung section or introduction to the text. The Einführung will acquaint the student with the range of activities in the text. This week the student will learn:

- Greetings and Farewells
- Formal and Informal Address
- Alphabet Pronunciation
- Spelling in German
- Numbers
- Useful Expressions

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<td>Vocab:</td>
<td>Become familiar with this chapter’s vocabulary on pp. 18-19 and make flash cards for memorization purposes</td>
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<tr>
<td>Read</td>
<td>pp. 3-8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Complete</td>
<td>Aktivitäten 1-9</td>
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<td>Remember to refer to the OLC’s Textbook Audio wherever the headphone icon appears.</td>
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<tr>
<td>For audio of the German alphabet, got to the OLC’s LAP Aktivität 3.</td>
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# Course Plan

**German I**

**Kapitel 1: Das bin ich**

This week the student will learn:
- How to give personal information about him/herself
- How to describe him/herself
- How to inquire about others

**Notes**

Remember to refer to the OLC’s Textbook Audio wherever the headphone icon appears. Remember to complete the Lab Manuel assignments in correlation with the LAP found at the OLC.

## Thema 1

- **Vocab:** Become familiar with this chapter’s vocabulary on p. 48 and make flash cards for memorization purposes
- **Read** pp. 22-24
- **Complete** Aktivitäten 1-4

## Thema 2

- **Read** pp. 25-29 and listen to the textbook audio to “Info und Wissen” on p. 25
- **Complete** Aktivitäten 5-10

## Thema 3

- **Read** pp. 30-32
- **Complete** Aktivitäten 11-14
WB | Thema 1 | ✓ Complete pp. 15-16  
Theme 2 | ✓ Complete Aktivitäten 2-3  
Theme 3 | ✓ Complete Aktivitäten 4-7 and “Wortraum” on p. 20  

LM | Thema 1 | ✓ Complete Aktivitäten 1-2  
Theme 2 | ✓ Complete Aktivitäten 3-5  
Theme 3 | ✓ Complete Aktivitäten 6-7  

**Pronunciation**

At the beginning of every chapter in the Lab Manuel, the student will find a section entitled “Aussprache”. This section focuses specifically on pronunciation and, like the rest of the Lab Manuel, correlates to the LAP found at the OLC. These listening exercises are very useful for listening comprehension as well as language pronunciation. They should be listened to and completed at some point during the three-week period of any given chapter study. You should make the decision with your student when and where to place “Aussprache” within each three week chapter study. It should be a fun and stress-free time to practice German out loud and to experiement with pronunciation.

**Notes**

**WEEK 3**

### Kapital 1: Das bin ich

*Grammatik im Kontext*

This week the student will learn:
- ✓ Nouns, Gender and Definite articles  
- ✓ Personal Pronouns  
- ✓ Infinitive and Present Tense Verbs  
- ✓ Word Order  
- ✓ Interrogatives  

Remember to refer to the OLC’s Textbook Audio wherever the headphone icon appears. Remember to complete the Lab Manuel assignments in correlation with the LAP found at the OLC.

### Text

- **Nouns, Gender, Definite Articles and Personal Pronouns**
  - ✓ **Vocab:** Refresh memory as to this chapter’s vocabulary on p. 48  
  - ✓ **Read** pp. 32-35  
  - ✓ **Complete** Übungen 1-6  

- **The Verb: Infinitive and Present Tense**
  - ✓ **Read** pp. 36-40  
  - ✓ **Complete** Übungen 7-10  

- **Word Order in Sentences and Asking Questions**
  - ✓ **Read** pp. 40-44  
  - ✓ **Complete** Übungen 11-20  

### WB

- **Nouns, Gender, Definite Articles and Personal Pronouns**
  - ✓ **Complete** Übungen 1-3  

- **The Verb: Infinitive and Present Tense**
  - ✓ **Complete** Übungen 4-5  

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