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# LINKWORD

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LANGUAGE COURSE



AMSTRAD CPC-64

# Contents

The course consists of 10 sections, covering a number of topics, such as furniture, colours, clothes, family, garden, time, restaurant, food, numbers, business, travelling, car, beach, places and people, emergency and useful words, days of week, months of year. The course starts with a number of animal words.

## What is the Gruneberg Linkword Language System?

The Gruneberg Linkword Language System is a system for teaching foreign languages which is much faster, easier and more enjoyable than normal methods of language teaching. In ten hours you will learn a vocabulary of about 350 words and a basic grammar. This will help you to understand and to be understood should you travel to a German speaking country or talk to a native German speaker. Of course there will be gaps in your vocabulary and your knowledge of grammar, but you will be surprised at how quickly and easily you learn the basics of German. One of the ways in which the system works is to use visual images. An English word is linked by means of a visual image, to another English word which sounds like the German word. For example

The German for **gentlemen** is **Herren**

Imagine a large **herring** dangling from the door of a **gentlemens** toilet

You imagine this picture in your mind's eye as vividly as you can. When you are given the word 'Herren' you will immediately think of a herring dangling from the door of a gentlemens toilet and will remember that the German for gentlemen is Herren.

## Who can use the Gruneberg Linkword Language System?

The short answer is **anyone** and **everyone!** You certainly don't need a gift for languages to learn German. The courses have been designed for holiday makers, for business executives who want to learn the basics of a language in a hurry, for children who find learning languages at school difficult or boring, or for anyone wanting to learn a language. The courses often appeal to those who find learning a language by normal methods boring or difficult, but even people who are good at languages often find the courses much more interesting and enjoyable than normal methods of learning.

# Instructions

1 As noted earlier, you will be presented with words like this:

The German for **gentlemen** is **Herren**

Imagine a large **herring** dangling from the door of a **gentlemens** toilet

What you do is to imagine this picture in your mind's eye as vividly as possible.

2 After you have read the image you should think about it in your mind's eye for about 10 seconds before pressing RETURN to move on to the next word. If you do not spend enough time thinking about the image it will not stick in your memory as well as it should. If you want to be sure of having 10 seconds to image, you should press space bar immediately after you have read the image. 10 seconds later a new word will be presented.

3 After you have been presented with a number of words you will be given a German word and asked to give the English. After you press RETURN the correct answer will be given and you can go on to the next word.

4 After you have translated from German to English you will be asked to translate from English to German.

5 When you are asked to translate sentences from English into German or German into English you should type the answer in. Then press return for the correct answer, then press RETURN to continue.

6 Sometimes the word in German and in English is the same or very similar. For example, the German for 'taxi' is 'taxi'. When this happens you will be asked to associate the word in some way with the German flag e.g.

Imagine a taxi covered with the German flag. Whenever the German flag comes to mind, therefore, you will know the word is the same or similar in both English and German.

7 It is very important to realise that some groups of words and some grammar are more difficult to learn than others. If this happens do not worry, just go on to the next set of words and forget you have difficulty. The important thing to appreciate is how much you **do** learn very quickly. Even if you feel you want to, therefore, you are strongly advised to carry on to the end of a section before going back to look at what you have already done.

8 The examples given in the course may well strike you as odd and bizarre. The fact is that they have deliberately been constructed to illustrate parts of grammar and to get away from the idea that you should remember useful phrases 'parrot fashion'.

9 The pronunciation given in the course is only approximate.

**10 Note to parents and teachers:**

If your child finds difficulty in reading you can still use the course to teach German. You can use the text as a manual and read from the screen to your child. One way of holding a young child's interest is to get him or her to sketch the images you present.

**11 Important Note**

You should not listen to the audio tape which goes with the course until instructed to do so by the computer. The audio tape gives the correct pronunciation of the words used on the course.

## **Course Designer and Writer**

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# Glossary

a	ein/eine
above	über
after	nach
against	gegen
also	auch
always	immer
am	bin
ambulance	der Krankenwagen
and	und
apple	der Apfel
are	bist/sind
armchair	der Sessel
bacon	der Speck
bad	schlecht
bank	die Bank
bathroom	das Badezimmer
be careful!	Vorsicht!
beach	der Strand
bean	die Bohne
bed	das Bett
bedroom	das Schlafzimmer
bee	die Biene
before	vor
berry	die Beere
beside	neben
big	gross
black	schwarz
bladder	die Blase
blood	das Blut
blouse	die Bluse
blue	blau
bone	der Knochen
book	das Buch
boss	der Chef

bottle	die Flasche
boy	der Junge
branch	der Ast
bread	das Brot
brother	der Bruder
brown	braun
bull	der Bulle
bus	der Bus
but	aber
butter	die Butter
cabbage	der Kohl
cake	der Kuchen
camera	die Kamera
car	das Auto
carpet	der Teppich
cash till	die Kasse
cat	die Katze
caterpillar	die Raupe
cathedral	der Dom
caution!	Achtung!
cheap	billig
cheese	der Käse
chemist's	die Apotheke
cheque	der Scheck
chicken	das Huhn
clock	die Uhr
clutch	die Kupplung
coat	der Mantel
coffee	der Kaffee
cold	die Kälte
cow	die Kuh
cream	die Sahne
cup	die Tasse
cupboard	der Schrank
curtain	die Gardine



customs	der Zoll
dangerous	gefährlich
daughter	die Tochter
day	der Tag
dead	tot
dear	teuer
death	der Tod
deer	der Hirsch
dentist	der Zahnarzt
do	tue
doctor	der Arzt
does	tut
dog	der Hund
door	die Tür
dress	das Kleid
dry	trocken
duck	die Ente
ear	das Ohr
eat	esse
eats	isst
egg	das Ei
elephant	der Elefant
empty	leer
engaged	besetzt
evening	der Abend
exhaust	der Auspuff
eye	das Auge
factory	die Fabrik
father	der Vater
fine	schön
fire	das Feuer
firm	die Firma
floor	der Boden
flower	die Blume
fog	der Nebel

for  
forest  
fork  
fruit  
furniture  
garage  
gentlemen  
girl  
give  
gives  
go  
goes  
good  
goose  
green  
grey  
hairdresser  
half  
hand  
has  
hat  
have  
he  
heart  
heat  
heavy  
her  
here  
his  
holiday  
horse  
hotel  
hour  
house  
how

für  
der Wald  
die Gabel  
das Obst  
die Möbel  
die Garage  
die Herren  
das Mädchen  
gebe  
gibt  
gehe  
geht  
gut  
die Gans  
grün  
grau  
der Friseur  
halb  
die Hand  
hat  
der Hut  
habe  
er  
das Herz  
die Hitze  
schwer  
ihr  
hier  
sein  
die Ferien  
das Pferd  
das Hotel  
die Stunde  
das Haus  
wie

husband	der Mann
I	ich
ill	krank
in	in
is	ist
jam	die Marmalade
journey	die Reise
kitchen	die Küche
knife	das Messer
ladies	die Damen
late	spät
lawn	der Rasen
left	links
letter	der Brief
light	das Licht
lobster	der Hummer
loves	liebt
make	mache
makes	macht
manager	der Leiter
map	die Karte
market	der Markt
meat	das Fleisch
menu	die Speisekarte
midge	die Mücke
milk	die Milch
minute	die Minute
mistake	der Fehler
money	das Geld
month	der Monat
more	mehr
morning	der Morgen
moth.	die Motte
mother	die Mutter
mountain	der Berg

mouse	die Maus
much	viel
museum	das Museum
mushroom	der Pilz
my	mein
nasty	eklig
newspaper	die Zeitung
nice	nett
no	nein
noisy	laut
nose	die Nase
not	nicht
of course	natürlich
office	das Büro
oil	das Öl
on	auf
onion	die Zwiebel
only	nur
or	oder
orange	orange
our	unser
owner	der Besitzer
pain	der Schmerz
passport	der Reisepass
pea	die Erbse
pear	die Birne
petrol	das Benzin
piano	das Klavier
picture	das Bild
pig	das Schwein
plate	der Teller
please	bitte
police	die Polizei
pond	der Teich
post office	die Post

potato	die Kartoffel
price	der Preis
product	das Produkt
profession	der Beruf
puncture	die Panne
quarter	viertel
quick	schnell
quite	ganz
rain	der Regen
rake	die Harke
receipt	die Quittung
red	rot
restaurant	das Restaurant
right	rechts
river	der Fluss
roof	das Dach
room	das Zimmer
salad	der Salat
salary	das Gehalt
salmon	der Lachs
saucer	die Untertasse
sausage	die Wurst
second	die Sekunde
seed	der Samen
she	sie
shelf	das Brett
shirt	das Hemd
shoe	der Schuh
short	kurz
sister	die Schwester
skirt	der Rock
small	klein
socks	die Socken
son	der Sohn
soon	bald

sorry	Entschuldigung!
soup	die Suppe
spider	die Spinne
spoon	der Löffel
stairs	die Treppe
station	der Bahnhof
still	noch
suitcase	der Handkoffer
table	der Tisch
take	nehme
takes	nimmt
tea	der Tee
telephone	das Telefon
thanks	danke
that	das
the	der/die/das
there	da
thief	der Dieb
thing	die Sache
this	dies
through	durch
tie	der Schlips
time	die zeit
tired	müde
today	heute
toilet	die Toilette
tomato	die Tomate
tradesman	der Handwerker
train	der Zug
training	die Ausbildung
tree	der Baum
trousers	die Hosen
trout	die Forelle
tyre	der Reifen
under	unter

vacant	frei
vegetable	das Gemüse
very	sehr
waiter	der Ober
wall	die Wand
was	war
wasp	die Wespe
water	das Wasser
watering can	die Giesskanne
week	die Woche
wet	nass
what	was
wheel	das Rad
where	wo
white	weiss
who	wer
why	warum
wife	die Frau
window	das Fenster
wine	der Wein
with	mit
without	ohne
worker	der Arbeiter
worm	der Wurm
wrong	falsch
year	das Jahr
yes	ja
you	du/Sie
your	dein
your	Ihr

## **Days of the Week**

Sunday	Sonntag
Monday	Montag
Tuesday	Dienstag
Wednesday	Mittwoch
Thursday	Donnerstag
Friday	Freitag
Saturday	Samstag

## **Months of the Year**

January	Januar
February	Februar
March	März
April	April
May	Mai
June	Juni
July	Juli
August	August
September	September
October	Oktober
November	November
December	Dezember



## Numbers

one

two

three

four

five

six

seven

eight

nine

ten

eleven

twelve

twenty

twenty five

quarter

half

eins

zwei

drei

vier

fünf

sechs

sieben

acht

neun

zehn

elf

zwölf

zwanzig

fünfundzwanzig

viertel

halb

