

Sports

Love watching or playing sports? Germans are big sports fans, especially when it comes to soccer. Because of this, sports are a great topic for conversation. Besides this, if you'd like to meet new people, joining a sports team might be just what you're looking for!

Here we'll introduce you to important phrases that you can use whenever you talk about sports. Learn how to ask what kind of sports people play, how to talk about your favorite team, and much more. Just have a look at the tables below and get started improving your German!

Essential Phrases

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Asking about Sports

Want to learn more about someone's interest in sports? The following questions will help you do this! Use them to start conversations and to find out more about someone's interests.

Machst du Sport?	Do you play any sports?
Was für eine Art von Sport machst du?	What sport do you play?
Wie oft trainierst du Baseball?	How often do you practice baseball?
Was ist dein Lieblingssport?	What's your favorite sport?
Von welcher Sportart bist du ein Fan?	What sport are you a fan of?
Was ist deine Lieblingsmannschaft?	Who is your favorite team?
Wer ist dein Lieblingssportler?	Who is your favorite athlete?
Schaust du Football?	Do you watch football?
Warst du schon einmal bei einem professionellen Basketballspiel?	Have you ever been to a professional basketball game before?
Wie hältst du dich fit?	How do you keep active?

Talking about Sports

Below, you'll learn phrases that will be useful when talking about your own interest in sports. You can use them to talk about the sports you play, what you like to watch, and much more!

Ich spiele Fußball.	I play soccer.
Ich schaue gerne Eishockey.	I enjoy watching hockey.
Ich habe zweimal pro Woche Tennistraining.	I have tennis practice twice a week.
Ich schaue lieber Sport als selbst zu spielen.	I prefer watching sports to playing them.
Ich bin nicht sehr sportlich.	I'm not very athletic.
Ich bin nicht sehr gut im Sport.	I'm not very good at sports.
Ich habe das Spiel letztes Wochenende live gesehen.	I saw the game live last weekend.
Ich bin ein Golf-Fan.	I'm a fan of golf.
Ich treibe gerne Sport, weil es mir hilft, in Form zu bleiben.	I like to play sports because it helps keep me in shape.
Laufen macht Spaß, weil es mich gesund hält.	Track is fun because it keeps me healthy.

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What are the most essential German phrases for talking about sports?

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Was ist dein Lieblingssport?

What's your favorite sport?

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Von welcher Sportart bist du ein Fan?

What sport are you a fan of?

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Who is your favorite team?

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What sports are popular in the German-speaking world?

By far the most popular sport in German-speaking countries is soccer. Most villages and cities have a soccer team, and events like the World Cup and Euro Cup are extremely popular. Many people also enjoy tennis, badminton, biking, running, hiking, and climbing. In winter people remain very active and like to hit the slopes for skiing and snowshoeing.

What are some of the biggest sporting events in the German-speaking world?

There are many different sporting events in German-speaking countries throughout the year. The UEFA soccer cup for German teams is the biggest. People also look very much forward to years when the FIFA World Cup, Champions League, and the Olympics take place. The European and World Championships in Athletics are also very popular.



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