

Unit 1 – Getting to know one another

Introducing yourself

one's first name is ... and one's surname is ...	My first name is Sasha, and my surname is Cohen.	jemandes Vorname ist ... und jemandes Nachname ist ...
to be called ... (<i>nickname</i>) by one's friends / parents / relatives	I'm called Mo by my friends / parents / relatives.	... (<i>Spitzname</i>) genannt werden von den Freunden/Freundinnen / Eltern / Verwandten
to be Austrian / Croatian / Turkish / Romanian ...	Karlo is Croatian, and his friend Razvan is Romanian.	Österreicher/Österreicherin / Kroate/Kroatin / Türke/Türkin / Rumäne/Rumänin ... sein
to be from Austria / Croatia / Türkei / Romania ...	Aida is from Austria.	aus Österreich / Kroatien / der Türkei / Rumänien ... stammen
to speak German / Croatian / Turkish / Romanian ...	Jamil speaks Turkish fluently, but doesn't speak any Romanian.	Deutsch / Kroatisch / Türkisch / Rumänisch ... sprechen
... (<i>language</i>) is one's mother tongue	Spanish is my mother tongue.	... ist jemandes Muttersprache
to be ... years old	Harper is 30 years old.	... Jahre alt sein
to live in ... (<i>name of city / town / village</i>)	James lives in St. Williamsburg.	in ... (<i>Name der Großstadt / Stadt / des Dorfes</i>) leben
to live with one's parents and grandparents in a house / flat	Seth lives with his parents and his grandparents in a modern house / flat.	mit den Eltern und Großeltern in einem Haus / einer Wohnung leben
to have a small / big family	Nancy has a big family; she has over 50 cousins!	eine kleine / große Familie haben
one's parents are divorced	Ben's parents are divorced.	die Eltern sind geschieden
to have two / three ... siblings / brothers / sisters	Anna has three siblings. / Ann has two brothers and one sister.	zwei / drei ... Geschwister / Brüder / Schwestern haben
to not have any siblings	Edwin does not have any siblings because his parents only wanted one child.	keine Geschwister haben
to be an only child	It's not always easy to be an only child, but you do get a lot of attention.	ein Einzelkind sein
to like hip-hop / rap / pop music ...	Keara likes hip-hop / rap / pop music a lot because she loves to dance.	Hip-Hop / Rap / Popmusik ... mögen
to be one's favourite band / singer / TV series / Netflix series / film	<i>Glass Animals</i> is Kelsi's favourite band. / <i>Deadpool</i> is Nala's favourite film.	jemandes Lieblingsband / -sänger/in / -fernsehserie / -Netflix-Serie / -film sein
one's hobby is ...	My hobby is playing the guitar.	jemandes Hobby ist ...
to love / enjoy playing basketball / singing / dancing ... (<i>verb + -ing</i>)	Yoruba enjoys playing music, singing, and telling jokes with his friends.	gerne Basketball spielen / singen / tanzen
to be on ... (<i>name of social network/s</i>)	I'm on <i>Instagram</i> , <i>TikTok</i> , and <i>Snapchat</i> .	auf ... (<i>Name(n) der Social-Media-Plattform(en)</i>) sein

Describing a person's appearance

Eyes

grey / blue / green / brown / hazel eyes	My cousin has big, beautiful hazel eyes, but when she was a baby they were blue / grey / green / brown.	graue / blaue / grüne / braune / haselnussbraune Augen
dark eyes	She has dark eyes that shine brightly when she laughs.	dunkle Augen
heavy-lidded eyes	After a long day of work, Sarah sat on her couch with heavy-lidded eyes.	müde Augen / Augen mit schweren Lidern
clear eyes	After sleeping well the night before, my eyes were much clearer than normal.	klare / wache Augen

red eyes	When I am allergic to something, I get red eyes.	gerötete Augen
glasses	Sam has to wear glasses when he drives his car.	Brille
Hair		
brown / hazel / blonde / dark / light-brown / dark-brown / brunette / red / grey hair	A friend of mine has naturally red / dark / light-brown / brunette hair, but her brother's hair is blonde.	braunes / haselnussbraunes / blondes / dunkles / hellbraunes / dunkelbraunes / brünettes / rotes / graues Haar
ponytail	My mother normally wears her hair in a ponytail.	Pferdeschwanz
bald	My uncle has a bald head since he was 25; my dad is also bald.	glatzköpfig, kahl
straight hair	Marianne has very straight hair.	glattes Haar
curly hair	If you have curly hair, you shouldn't brush it when it's dry.	lockiges Haar
wavy hair	Wavy hair is easier to style than super straight hair.	gewelltes Haar
short hair	Women with short hair always seem more self-confident to me.	kurzes Haar
long hair	If you have long hair, it takes longer to wash it.	langes Haar
Nose		
short / long / straight nose	My neighbour has a very long / short / straight nose.	lange / kurze / gerade Nase
snub nose	When I was little, I had a cute little snub nose.	Stupsnase
flat nose	His flat nose made him easily recognisable in the crowd.	flache Nase
upturned nose	Her upturned nose made her look playful.	nach oben gerichtete Nase
Face		
round face	Children often have very round faces.	rundes Gesicht
oval face	Her oval face made her look very elegant.	ovales Gesicht
pale	Since he didn't spend much time in the sun, his skin was rather pale.	blass
tanned	After the summer holidays are over, my little sister is always very tanned.	gebräunt
freckles	She has so many freckles, she almost looks tanned.	Sommersprossen
wrinkles	When my grandmother turned 75, she suddenly had a lot of wrinkles.	Falten
beard	He's been trying to grow a beard since he was 15.	Bart
moustache	He carefully trims his moustache every morning.	Schnurrbart
pointed chin	His pointed chin gave him a serious look.	spitzes Kinn
Body		
bony	My boyfriend has such bony shoulders, it's impossible to lean on him without using a pillow.	knochendürr, knochig
skinny	Maggie has been skinny her entire life.	dünn, mager
slim	She's naturally slim, but she doesn't look unhealthy.	schlank, dünn

thin	The thin man smiled warmly as he greeted his neighbour.	dünn
overweight	When people don't exercise very much, they might become overweight.	übergewichtig
obese	It can be very hard on the body to be obese.	fettleibig
well-trained	He has been looking very well-trained and muscular recently.	trainiert, gut ausgebildet
athletic	I've been trying to become more athletic by playing volleyball three times a week.	athletisch, sportlich
Height		
tall	Being tall is very helpful if you want to play basketball.	groß
short	Short women often say they have trouble being taken seriously.	klein
medium-height	Mike always says he's about medium-height.	mittelgroß
huge	Ziggi is a huge guy; I think he must be taller than most basketball players.	riesig, massig
petite	Her grandmother was such a petite woman, she could shop in the children's section.	zierlich
average	Samantha's height is average; she's neither tall nor short.	durchschnittlich
to have grey / blue / green ... eyes	Our geography teacher has grey / blue / green eyes.	graue / blaue / grüne Augen haben
to (not) wear glasses because one's eyesight is good / quite bad	Robin wears glasses because her eyesight is quite bad.	(keine) Brille tragen, weil die Sehkraft gut / ziemlich schlecht ist
to have long / short / wavy / straight / brown / blonde ... hair	Kristin has short / wavy / blonde hair; it looks lovely on her.	langes / kurzes / gewelltes / glattes / braunes / blondes ... Haar haben
to wear a ponytail / a bun	When Ruti goes hiking, she wears a ponytail / bun to keep her hair out of her face.	einen Pferdeschwanz / Haarknoten tragen
to wear one's hair loose	Blaine wears his hair loose when he's on stage with his metal band.	die Haare offen tragen
to have a long / short / flat ... nose	Jack has a long / short / flat nose, but it somehow looks good on him!	eine lange / kurze / flache ... Nase haben
to have an oval / a round face	Beatrice has a cute oval / round face that makes her look very friendly.	eine ovale / runde Gesichtsform haben
to be pale / tanned	Riley is pale, even in the summer, but her sister is tanned.	blass / gebräunt sein
to have freckles / wrinkles	Susanne has freckles that appear every summer when she starts going outside more. / Tabea's grandfather has many wrinkles from his long life.	Sommersprossen / Falten haben
to be slim / thin / well-trained ...	Eliza is well-trained; she can lift more weight than most of the people in her class.	schlank / dünn / durchtrainiert ... sein
to be rather tall / short / to be medium-height	Keith is rather short; he always has to ask for help to get things off the top shelf.	eher / ziemlich groß / klein / mittelgroß sein
to be quite happy with the way I look	Eva is quite happy with the way she looks.	mit dem eigenen Aussehen ganz zufrieden sein

Describing a person's personality		
angry	Our neighbour is a very angry man; he's always yelling at his cat.	wütend
confident	The way the band walked on stage, you could tell they were confident in their talent.	selbstsicher, selbstbewusst, zuversichtlich
confused	Charlotte is confused a lot and always has to ask us to repeat what we say.	verwirrt
depressed	Chris is depressed, but he's starting to go to therapy.	depressiv
friendly	The cashier was so friendly!	freundlich
helpful	It's difficult to be helpful when you don't know what the problem is.	hilfsbereit, hilfreich
impatient	She is often very impatient when waiting for food in a restaurant.	ungeduldig
kind	Ben's grandmother has always been kind to me; she brought me cookies yesterday.	nett, liebenswürdig, freundlich
lazy	I'm feeling so lazy today; I haven't done anything but sit on the couch.	faul
optimistic	My friends and I are optimistic that we'll get a good mark on the test.	zuversichtlich, optimistisch
sensible	She is a very sensible person and always knows what the logical answer is.	vernünftig
sensitive	He is very sensitive to loud noises.	sensibel, empfindlich
stubborn	My friend Kara is as stubborn as a donkey.	stur, starrköpfig
shy	My little brother hid in his room because he is so shy around guests.	schüchtern
untidy	His former roommate was so untidy, you couldn't see the floor of his room.	unordentlich, unaufgeräumt
Describing a person you admire		
to prefer casual / sporty / elegant ... clothes	Vivian prefers sporty clothes even when she's not playing basketball.	legere / sportliche / elegante ... Kleidung bevorzugen
to love wearing oversize / colourful / branded / second-hand clothes	Jesse loves wearing oversize / colourful / branded / second-hand clothes.	gerne übergroße / bunte / Marken- / Secondhand-Kleidung tragen
to be a friendly / optimistic / helpful ... person	Belle is a very optimistic person who can cheer anyone up.	ein freundlicher / optimistischer / hilfsbereiter ... Mensch sein
to always be there for someone	Deanna is always there for me, for both the good times and the bad times.	immer für jemanden da sein
to give good pieces of advice in difficult situations	I really like my aunt Ursula because she gives good pieces of advice in difficult situations.	gute Ratschläge erteilen in schwierigen Situationen
to be able to rely on someone	Ida loves that she is able to rely on her best friend to always cheer her up when she is sad.	sich auf jemanden verlassen können
to be one's idol / one's godmother/godfather / a close friend	My mother's best friend is my idol / godmother. Rachel is a close friend of mine.	jemandes Vorbild / Pate/Patin sein / ein enger Freund/eine enge Freundin sein