

Unit 1 – Hi, my name is ...

Introducing myself

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| first name / second name / nickname | The boy didn't like to go by his first or second name; he preferred his nickname, Danny. | Vorname / Nachname / Spitzname |
| to grow up in ... | I grew up in the United States. | aufwachsen in ... |
| to come from ... | She could tell by the way he talked that he came from Austria. | kommen aus ... |
| to be an only child | Joe was an only child because his parents never wanted more than one kid. | ein Einzelkind sein |
| to have siblings | I have three siblings named Erin, Ben and Keegan. | Geschwister haben |
| to enjoy doing sth. | I enjoy going to the park with my friends. | etwas gerne tun |
| to attend the commercial college / higher vocational college in ... | She attends the higher vocational college in Linz because she believes it's the best way to become an engineer. | die Handelsakademie / Berufsbildende höhere Schule in ... besuchen |
| grammar school | Kyle did not do well in grammar school but got much better grades when he went to university. | Gymnasium |
| higher secondary school | I want to go to a higher secondary school to learn skills I will need later in life. | weiterführende höhere Schule |
| to be a member of a (football) club / gym | Clive wanted to be a member of a football club so he searched online for one near him. | Mitglied in einem (Fußball-)Verein / Fitnessstudio sein |
| to spend one's weekend ... (verb + -ing) | Spending one's weekend reading a good book is very relaxing. | das Wochenende verbringen |
| to be interested in ... (noun / verb + -ing) | Kellan was interested in joining his school's weightlifting club. | sich interessieren für |
| to hang out with friends | I prefer to hang out with my friends at the weekend rather than travel somewhere. | mit Freunden/Freundinnen abhängen |
| to work out at the gym | Jake works out at the gym to deal with stress at work. | im Fitnessstudio trainieren |
| to do something twice / three times a week | Nicole takes a Czech class three times a week so that she will learn the language quickly. | etwas zwei- / dreimal pro Woche tun |
| to become one's own boss | If you become your own boss, you can create your own timetable. | der eigene Chef/die eigene Chefin werden |
| to pass the A-levels / school leaving exam | In order to pass the A-levels, students need to study a lot. | die Matura / Abschlussprüfung bestehen |
| to put a lot of effort into doing sth. | Kori put a lot of effort into painting her picture. | viel Mühe in etwas stecken |
| to be skilled at doing sth. | Jake is really skilled at playing the guitar. | geschickt sein in etwas |
| favourite subjects / hobbies | Most students get the best grades in their favourite subjects because it is what interests them most. | Lieblingsfächer / Hobbys |
| to get to school by bike / bus / tram / on foot | In America, most students need to get to school by bus. | mit dem Fahrrad / Bus / der Straßenbahn / zu Fuß zur Schule kommen |
| to decide to go to this school | Jamie decided to go to this school because of its excellent sports programme. | sich entscheiden, in diese Schule zu gehen |
| to want to run one's own business | Aileen wanted to run her own business so she could be her own boss. | ein eigenes Unternehmen führen wollen |

Describing a person – Style and looks

Eyes

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| blue / green / brown / grey | Both my parents have blue eyes, so it makes sense that I do, too. | blau / grün / braun/ grau |
| fake lashes | Some girls like to put on fake lashes, but they don't seem very fashionable to me. | künstliche Wimpern |
| contact lenses | I would wear contact lenses, but I prefer glasses. | Kontaktlinsen |
| eye shadow | She always has perfect eye shadow, I wonder how long it takes her to apply it. | Lidschatten |

Hair & style

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| dark / light | People from the southern part of Europe seem to have dark hair, while people from the northern part of Europe seem to have light hair. | dunkel / hell |
| blonde | Both of Abby's parents are blonde, so it makes sense that she is, too. | blond |
| red | Nicole has red hair, just like her mom. | rot |
| coloured | She had her hair coloured red for the costume, but it looked so good she decided to keep it. | gefärbt |
| brown | Her brown hair matches her beautiful brown eyes. | braun |
| ponytail | Aaron finally grew his hair long enough for a ponytail, it looks great! | Pferdeschwanz |
| bun | If my girlfriend doesn't have time to wash her hair, she usually puts it into a bun. | Dutt, Haarknoten |
| curly | Curly hair is beautiful, but sometimes difficult to manage. | lockig |
| straight | She brushed her long, straight hair before leaving the house. | glatt |
| braids | Her long braids went all the way down her back. | (geflochtene) Zöpfe |
| bangs | She brushed her bangs to the side so they wouldn't get in her eyes. | Stirnfransen, Pony |

Face

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| pale | I'm quite pale, so I have to apply sun cream every hour. | blass |
| tanned | Giacomo's tanned face made it clear that he had been at the beach. | gebräunt |
| freckles | My family is from Ireland, so naturally I have some freckles. | Sommersprossen |
| braces | I had to have braces for three years, but it was worth it because now my teeth are straight. | Zahnspange |
| piercing | Her mum wouldn't allow her to have any face piercings because she was only twelve. | Piercing |
| beard | I have to trim my beard every three days. | Bart |
| glasses | I need glasses to see, but I like them to be stylish too. | Brille |

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| laughter lines | I don't mind having laughter lines on my face, it means I've spent a lot of my life happy! | Lachfalten |
| make-up | My daughter loves make-up tutorials on <i>YouTube</i> . | Schminke |
| light / medium / deep complexion | Lyra got her beautiful deep complexion from her mother. | heller / mittlerer / dunkler Hautton |
| Body & height | | |
| well-trained | The athlete's well-trained body made it clear that he took running seriously. | durchtrainiert |
| slim | He has a slim build, which makes him seem taller. | schlank |
| muscly | I'd love to be muscly, but it's so much work to go to the gym every day. | muskulös |
| curvy | The dress really showed off her curvy figure. | kurvig |
| tattooed | I think tattooed people are interesting because the tattoos they've chosen tell a story about their lives. | tätowiert |
| tall | He's so tall that I have to look up just to talk to him. | groß |
| short | She's so short I can rest my elbow on her head. | klein |
| average | Rehana is average height, which makes her very easy to shop for. | durchschnittlich |
| Fashion | | |
| crop top | Jane wants to exercise more so that she feels more confident wearing a crop top. | bauchfreies Top |
| sweatpants | George wears sweatpants to run. | Jogginghose |
| baggy / skinny jeans | I don't like to wear skinny jeans because they're so tight, baggy jeans are much more comfortable. | weite / enge Jeans |
| cap | Jay had to wear a cap to keep the sun out of his eyes. | Kappe |
| sneakers | My new pair of sneakers are perfect for morning runs. | Turnschuhe |
| yoga pants | Yoga pants are popular because they are both comfortable and flexible. | Yogahose |
| hoodie | He wears a hoodie not only because it keeps him warm but also because it protects him from the rain. | Kapuzenpullover |
| oversized shirt | I prefer to sleep in an oversized shirt, it's just more comfortable. | übergroßes Shirt |
| Describing a person – Character traits | | |
| to be anxious | Wendy was anxious about her presentation, but it went really well! | ängstlich sein |
| to be bossy | She tends to be bossy, always telling everyone what to do. | rechthaberisch, herrschsüchtig |
| to be curious | The dog was curious and stuck his nose in the bush. | neugierig sein |
| to be easy-going | Sabina is easy-going and calm, so nothing ever stresses her out. | gelassen / entspannt sein |
| to be entertaining | The comedian was entertaining. | unterhaltsam sein |

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| to be fun-loving | Hubert is fun-loving and always makes the party more exciting. | lebensfroh sein |
| to be helpful | I believe I am helpful whenever my friends need support. | hilfsbereit sein |
| to be lazy | He's so smart but he's lazy and never does the homework. | faul sein |
| to be moody | Carol is moody this morning, she must not have slept well. | launisch sein |
| to be optimistic | I am optimistic because I like to stay positive. | optimistisch sein |
| to be outgoing | I am outgoing at parties but when I'm home I prefer not to talk to anyone. | kontaktfreudig / aufgeschlossen sein |
| to be sensible | Drew was sensible last night and decided to stay in. | vernünftig sein |
| to be sensitive | He was a sensitive child and quick to sense the moods of those around him. | einfühlsam / sensibel sein |
| to be shy | She is shy when someone first talks to her but after a few minutes she really opens up to people. | schüchtern sein |
| to be talkative | Sue is talkative but really nice, so no one minds listening to her. | gesprächig sein |
| My best mate | | |
| to count on so. | I can always count on Livi, she has never let me down. | sich auf jmdn. verlassen |
| to focus on economics | I want to focus on economics at university so that I can open a business one day. | sich auf die Wirtschaft konzentrieren |
| to share the same interests | It's so cool that my girlfriend and I share the same interests, it really brings us closer together. | dieselben Interessen teilen |
| to spend most of one's time together | My best friend and I spend most of our time together. | die meiste Zeit zusammen verbringen |
| to depend on one's mood | Our teacher may give us a lot of homework, but it usually depends on her mood during class. | von der Stimmung abhängen |
| to experience fantastic moments together | Lucia and I experienced fantastic moments together on our road trip to Dubrovnik. | fantastische Momente gemeinsam erleben |
| to create memories that will remain throughout one's life | Clive travelled the world and created memories that will remain throughout his life. | Erinnerungen schaffen, die ein Leben lang bleiben |
| to discuss the best solutions | The teachers discussed the best solutions they could think of for the difficult class. | die besten Lösungen besprechen |
| to appreciate so. or sth. | I really appreciate how Sarah tries to help people she does not know. | jmdn. oder etwas schätzen |
| to not take life too seriously | It's important to not take life too seriously and have fun when you can. | das Leben nicht zu ernst nehmen |
| to enjoy each other's company | It's really sweet how much they enjoy each other's company. | die Gesellschaft des/der anderen genießen |