

Chapter 3

A wie Anfang (p. 38)

Answer the questions about your media use. Then interview your course members about the subject.

Jetzt geht's los!

In chapter 3, Ayla and Tobias attend the film festival in Berlin.

In this chapter you will learn:

- to write short messages
- to talk about films, TV shows, and books
- prepositions with dative.

Beginning and ending a message (p. 40)

To friends

Liebe Ayla,

Lieber Tobias,

Liebe Ayla und Tobias,

wie geht's? ...

Viele Grüße / Liebe Grüße / Herzliche Grüße

Anke

In working life and official context

Formal:

Sehr geehrte Frau Özil,

Sehr geehrter Herr Winkler,

Sehr geehrte Damen und Herren,

More familiar:

Liebe Frau Özil,

Lieber Herr Winkler,

Liebe Kolleginnen und Kollegen,

ich möchte...

Mit freundlichen Grüßen

Daniel Sperling

ich möchte...

Beste Grüße

Daniel Sperling

Sprechen wir mal! (p. 41)

Talking about TV shows and books

Sehen Sie / Siehst du gerne fern?

Do you like to watch TV?

Was für Programme mögen Sie / magst du?

What kind of programmes do you like?

Gehen Sie / Gehst du gerne ins Kino?

Do you like to go to the cinema?

Was ist Ihr/dein Lieblingsfilm?

What is your favourite film?

Lesen Sie / Liest du Bücher?

Do you read books?

Was ist Ihr/dein Lieblingsbuch?

What is your favourite book?

Liest du Zeitungen / Zeitschriften?

Do you read newspapers / magazines?

Ich sehe (nicht) gern fern. / Ich mag fernsehen.

I (don't) watch TV. / I like watching TV.

Ich mag Nachrichten und Sportsendungen, weil ...

I like news and sport programmes, because ...

Ask your partner, what kind of programmes does (s)he watch and what does (s)he read.

Exercises

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1. Answer the questions about the content of the chapter.

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2. Form sentences in perfect tense with the given words.

3. Revise perfect tense and say the following sentences in perfect tense.

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4. Fill in the missing words using the chapter.

1. visit to the cinema

2. to go

3. director

4. film fan

5. to the cinema

6. tickets

7. to phone

8. film

b) Ask your partner, how often does (s)he go to the cinema.

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5. a) Tell about the content of the chapter in English using the words below.

in February – film festival of Berlin – free tickets – invitation – films – Thursday

b) Say the words in exercise a in German, and then tell about the chapter in German to your partner.

6. Choose the correct conjunction from the box and combine the sentences. Is it a main clause or a subordinate clause?

Prepositions with dative (p. 46)

In German language, there's a group of prepositions that require dative.

Read the text and underline all prepositions. Translate the text and fill in the prepositions into the table.

preposition	
aus	from, of
	at, by
	with; by (vehicle)
	to, after
	since, as of, for
	from, of
	to

If the actions continues, in German you use the present tense with the preposition *seit*, even though you would use the perfect tense in English.

Some prepositions are combined as one word with the article.

Learn the meanings of the prepositions together with an example!

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7. a) Cover your partner's side and rehearse dative-expressions with her/him. A begins. Your partner can help, if needed.

A	B
from Finland	aus Finnland
bei einem Freund / bei einer Freundin	at a friend's place
at his/her place	bei ihm / bei ihr
mit dem Bus	by bus
by metro	mit der U-Bahn
mit einem Freund / mit einer Freundin	with a friend
to Germany	nach Deutschland

nach der Reise	after the trip
for an hour	seit einer Stunde
von Berlin	from Berlin
from work	von der Arbeit
zur Arbeit	to work
to the station	zum Bahnhof

b) Say whole sentences with your partner using the dative expressions above.

8. Fill in the missing prepositions and the articles according to the hints.

1. to Berlin
2. from the airport
3. by taxi
4. to the hotel
5. by commuter train
6. to Potsdamer Platz
7. at the Berlinale
8. for weeks
9. after the visit to the cinema
10. with the friends
11. from abroad
12. of Berlin

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**9. a) Read the descriptions of the films of the theme week “Berlin in film”.
Choose the correct preposition.**

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| der Kalte Krieg | the Cold War |
| der Mauerfall | the fall of the Berlin wall |

erwachen	to wake up
erfahren	to find out
der Erfolg, -e	success
gewinnen	to win
der Stummfilm, -e	silent film
begleiten	to accompany

b) In the theme week „Berlin in film“, you suggest going to the cinema to your friend. Agree on the day and the time.

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10. Talk with your partner about what kind of films you like and why.

Krimis	crime films
unterhaltsam	entertaining

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11. Do the dialog with your partner. Say the bold lines in German. Your partner can help, if needed.

A	B
Do you like to go to the cinema?	Gehst du gern ins Kino?
Ja, ich gehe oft ins Kino.	Yes, I often go to the cinema.
Would you like to go to the cinema with me?	Möchtest du mit mir ins Kino gehen?
Gern. Am Wochenende?	I'd love to. On the weekend?
Do you have time on Friday?	Hast du am Freitag Zeit?
Am Freitag habe ich keine Zeit, aber am Samstag.	I don't have time on Friday, but on Saturday (I do).
Works for me. Have you seen the film "Submergence"?	Das passt mir. Hast du den Film „Submergence“ gesehen?
Nein, wer ist der Regisseur?	No, who is the director?
That's a film of Wim Wenders.	Das ist ein Film von Wim Wenders.

Wo läuft der Film?	Where does it go?
It goes in the cinema Babylon.	Er läuft im Kino Babylon.
Wann beginnt der Film?	When does the film begin?
It goes at seven and at nine o'clock.	Er läuft um sieben und um neun Uhr.
Gehen wir um sieben Uhr?	Shall we go at seven o'clock?
Agreed!	Einverstanden! / Abgemacht!
Und nach dem Film gehen wir ein Bier trinken.	And after the film we'll go for a beer.
I'd love to.	Gern.
Schön. Bis Samstag.	Great. Until Saturday.

12. Listen to the news and answer the questions.

1. What is the theme of the news report?
2. Where is the reporter?
3. Whom is she interviewing?
4. What does the interviewed person tell?

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13. Read the text about the film festival in Berlin and decide, if the statements are true or false. Correct the incorrect statements.

1. The film festival Berlinale has been celebrated since the mid of the 20th century.
2. Berlinale attracts only professionals in the film industry.
3. Berlinale lasts for two weeks.
4. Aki Kaurismäki won the golden bear in 2017 for his film "The other side of hope."
5. Potsdamer Platz is the centre of the Berlinale film festival.

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14. Listen to Ayla and Tobias' conversation twice and answer the questions. First read the words in the box.

1. Which museum are Ayla and Tobias talking about, and what do they say?
2. What do they say about the programme of the evening?
3. What do they say about football?
4. Does Tobias go back to Leipzig in the evening?

der Tatort

German police series

vor/schlagen

to suggest

das Filmcafé, die Volksbar

coffee shops / bars in Berlin

gegenüber

opposite

die Tagesschau

TV news

keine Rolle spielen

doesn't matter