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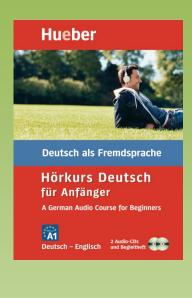
Auszug aus:

Hörkurs Deutsch für Anfänger - Deutsch - Englisch (Niveau: - A1)

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Introduction



Hello and a very warm welcome to *Hörkurs Deutsch*. We are delighted that you've decided to learn German with us

We promise that we will make things as easy and motivating for you as we can. To help us do this we have created a story featuring four characters to accompany you through the course.

We place the greatest emphasis in this course on listening and speaking. We know you would like to learn quickly how to communicate properly. You will learn important vocabulary items, simple grammar structures and lots of colloquial expressions. To help you understand the grammar better and eliminate mistakes we recommend that you refer to the accompanying booklet with the grammar explanations. There are appropriate instructions on the audio-CD.

The booklet provides the following:

- Tips and instructions on how to use the course
- List of contents
- List of track numbers for the CD
- For each lesson: the texts, vocabulary and phrases with their English translations, grammar summaries and explanations, language tips, background information
- German-English Wordlist

Now have fun and enjoy yourself. And one final tip: don't listen to people who claim German is a difficult language to learn. We'll soon show you that the opposite is true!

Course structure

The course consists of 15 lessons. The texts in each lesson form part of a continuing story that takes place in everyday situations. Most texts are dialogues, but there are, for example, also emails that are read out loud. All the words and grammar correspond with Level A1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEF).

Each lesson contains 10 steps (= CD-Tracks) that all have the same format.

- **Step 1:** The first exercise is designed to get you started. You learn ways of greeting people and the key words from the lesson.
- **Step 2:** Here you are told what the lesson is about. You hear the most important words and phrases in German and in English so you are prepared for the text to follow.
- **Step 3:** You hear the text. If at first you don't understand everything, don't worry. At the start it's enough if you know what the text is about. Listen to it two or three times. And if you want to know exactly what was said, you can read the translation in the accompanying booklet.
- **Step 4:** This a very important step. You hear the text once more, this time with pauses for you to repeat the sentences. Repeat this step several times over. You will discover that you will understand more and more each time you listen and at the same time improve your pronunciation and intonation. Talk out loud and don't be afraid of imitating the speakers.
- **Steps 5-7:** Here you can focus on your pronunciation. Starting with sounds, the alphabet and then moving on to words, phrases and sentences.
- Here you practise the grammatical structure first presented in the text. You hear the correct version immediately afterwards. If it doesn't work out first time round, do the exercise again. Fortunately it's very easy to do with the CD. You can of course prepare for the exercise by reading the explanations in the accompanying booklet. A grammar summary is difficult to explain in words, so it's easier and more effective if you try to remember it in the form of a table.
- **Step 9:** This is a step that will ensure your progress. You hear important words and phrases in German and with their English translation, so you can begin to use them yourself immediately.
- **Step 10:** This last step brings in a little variety to the learning process. In each lesson you are given background information on life in Germany, Austria and Switzerland.

Learning tips

- Learning on your own offers numerous possibilities. You can repeat the texts and exercises as
 often as you wish. You can look up the words at your leisure and learn them at your own speed.
 And if you can't remember how a word is pronounced, you can listen to the corresponding text
 again and again.
- Make a plan. Work out how long you'll need to do the course if you complete two to three lessons every day or every couple of days. Divide each lesson into three to four sections because it is better to practise at frequent intervals rather than try to do everything in one day.
- Very important: work through the course in chronological order. It was designed to be easier at
 the beginning and gradually get more difficult. It doesn't allow you to leave a lesson out.

We wish you every success and hope you enjoy our *Hueber Hörkurs*. You'll soon see that German is not as difficult as you may have imagined!

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