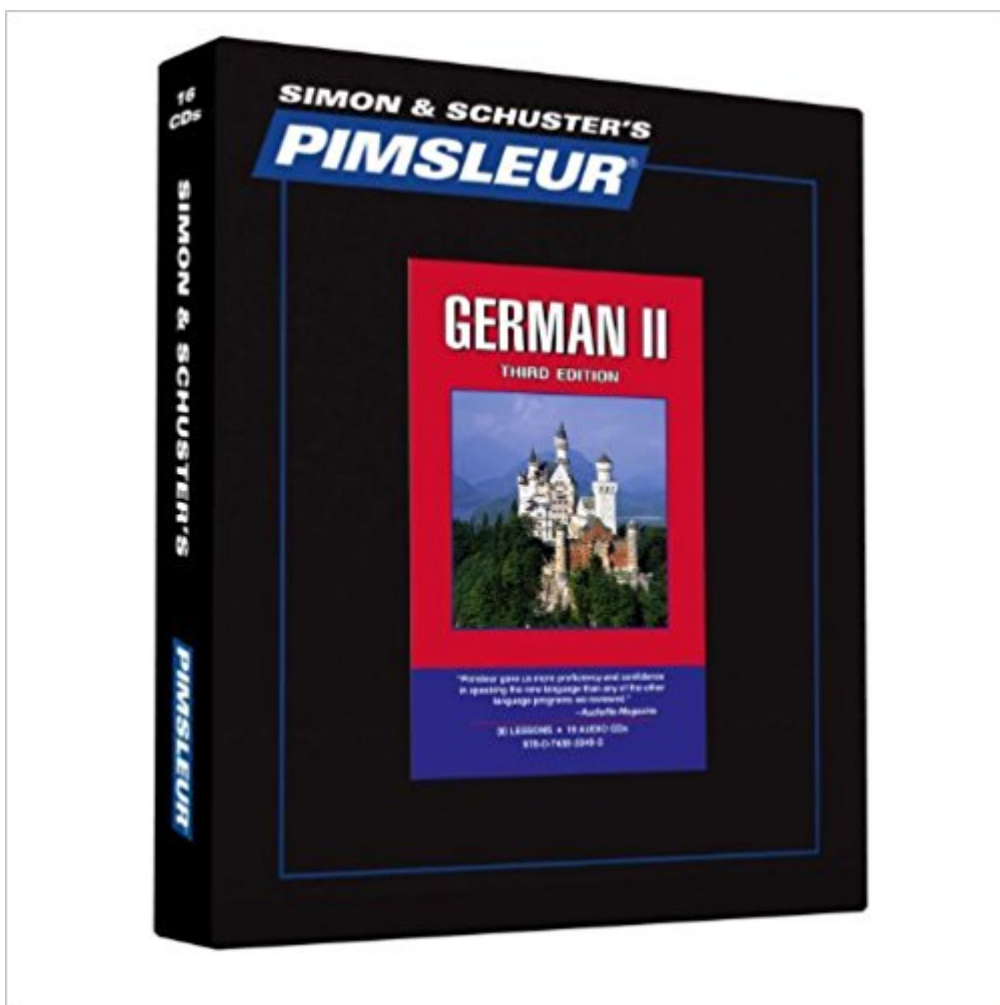


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# Pimsleur German Level 2 CD: Learn To Speak And Understand German With Pimsleur Language Programs (Comprehensive)



## Synopsis

The Easiest and Fastest Way to Learn German Whether you want to travel, communicate with friends or colleagues, reconnect with family, or just understand more of what's going on in the world around you, learning German will expand your horizons and immeasurably enrich your life. The best part is that it doesn't have to be difficult or take years to master. Thirty minutes a day is all it takes, and we get you speaking right from the first day. Pimsleur courses use a scientifically-proven method that puts you in control of your learning. If you've tried other language learning methods but found they simply didn't stick, then you owe it to yourself to give Pimsleur a try. Why Pimsleur? - Quick + Easy - Only 30 minutes a day. - Portable + Flexible - Core lessons can be done anytime, anywhere, and easily fit into your busy life. - Proven Method - Works when other methods fail. - Self-Paced - Go fast or go slow - it's up to you. - Based in Science - Developed using proven research on memory and learning. - Cost-effective - Less expensive than classes or immersion, and features all native speakers. - Genius - Triggers your brain's natural aptitude to learn. - Works for everyone - Recommended for ages 13 and above.

What's Included? - 30, 30-minute audio lessons - 60 minutes of reading instruction to provide you practice reading German - in total, 16 hours of audio, all featuring native speakers - a Reading Booklet and User's Guide What You'll Learn Builds upon skills taught in Pimsleur's German Level 1. In the first 10 lessons you'll begin using the past tense. Structures become more complex and informal speech is introduced. Soon you'll take part in conversations about ordering meals, shopping, and local tourist attractions. As you progress, your fluency will increase as your vocabulary expands. The next 10 lessons will allow you to further combine and build upon known elements, and produce longer and more complex sentences. You'll be discussing business and social activities, expressing your interests, and talking about the weather. In the final 10 lessons you'll double your vocabulary and have several hundred structures to draw upon. You'll learn to express yourself with relative structures - faster, slower, etc. You'll be able to ask for assistance in many situations and to ask for directions to various locations. You'll explore sports and leisure activities, manage changing money and banking, and discuss travel plans. By the end of the program, you'll be speaking at a mid-intermediate level with near-native pronunciation, and you'll be comfortable meeting most social demands and limited job requirements. Reading Lessons are included at the end of Lesson 30. These lessons, which total about one hour, are designed to give you practice reading German, and to provide you with some insight into German culture with proverbs, common expressions, and a broad look at things you'll experience when visiting a German-speaking country. The Pimsleur Method We make no

secret of what makes this powerful method work so well. Paul Pimsleur spent his career researching and perfecting the precise elements anyone can use to learn a language quickly and easily. Here are a few of his "secrets":

- **The Principle of Anticipation** In the nanosecond between a cue and your response, your brain has to work to come up with the right word. Having to do this boosts retention, and cements the word in your mind.
- **Core Vocabulary Words**, phrases, and sentences are selected for their usefulness in everyday conversation. We don't overwhelm you with too much, but steadily increase your ability with every lesson.
- **Graduated Interval Recall** Reminders of new words and structures come up at the exact interval for maximum retention and storage into your long-term memory.
- **Organic Learning** You work on multiple aspects of the language simultaneously. We integrate grammar, vocabulary, rhythm, melody, and intonation into every lesson, which allows you to experience the language as a living, expressive form of human culture.
- **Learning in Context** Research has shown that learning new words in context dramatically accelerates your ability to remember. Every scene in every Pimsleur lesson is set inside a conversation between two people. There are no drills, and no memorization necessary for success.
- **Active Participation** The Pimsleur Method + active learner participation = success. This method works with every language and every learner who follows it. You gain the power to recall and use what you know, and to add new words easily, exactly as you do in English.

**The German Language** German is the official language of Germany and Austria and is one of the official languages of Switzerland. It is also an official language in Belgium, Lichtenstein, and Luxembourg. Nearly 100 million people speak German as their first language: about 77 million in Germany, 8 million in Austria, and 4.5 million in Switzerland.

**Tech Talk** - CDs are formatted for playing in all CD players, including car players, and users can copy files for use in iTunes or Windows Media Player.

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Dr. Paul Pimsleur devoted his life to language teaching and testing and was one of the world's leading experts in applied linguistics. After years of experience and research, Dr. Pimsleur developed The Pimsleur Method based on two key principles: the Principle of Anticipation and a scientific principle of memory training that he called "Graduated Interval Recall." This Method has been applied to the many levels and languages of the Pimsleur Programs.

I like the method and think I am learning more and faster than the Berlitz method, which I also purchased. I used the level 1 and it really helped me regain my lost German from college. Level 2 seems faster and more intense, but hopefully I will keep learning at the daily pace of 30 minutes a day. I feel like I have a real conversational ability not just unrelated vocabulary.

There is no better program for learning German. I studied German 15 years ago when I first moved to Germany. I was able to speak simply and confidently and get around without difficulty. Now that I am planning to move back to Germany, I bought level II and III. I started with Level II and I was amazed at how much of level I I remembered. The learning process used in the lessons is progressive and really focuses on USEFUL conversations and RETENTION. I have bought Rosetta Stone and I hate it. It was a waste of money.

I bought this product because I started traveling to Germany for work. Extremely easy to follow and people are amazed at my level of communication. I will be moving to the next level after a few CD's. I strongly recommend the product and don't get discouraged if you don't retain all of the phrases. Everything is repeated and used in a way that you will be able to utilize when in casual conversation. Lernt der Schuler Deutsch? Ja, er lernt Deutsch!

I spend lots of time in my car and this series is perfect for that. Level 2 picks up speed nicely compared to level 1. The speech is faster, challenging my ear and brain to decipher. The amount of repetition is good. The complexity of the sentences and grammar also step up the challenge nicely.

I like the program, I gave 4 stars instead of 5 because it seemed to start at a much faster pace than where level I left off and some of the words seem to be pronounced differently than in Level I. However once reviewing the sessions a few times and moving to the second and third CD's, I have been picking it up fairly well.

I have both German I and German II of Pimsleur. I enjoyed them very much. They have certainly played an important role in my German language acquisition.

Great continuation to German I. Along with some additional work, reading, study on the side, the format seems to be working well for me.

The system forces you to speak and allows learning at your own pace. I am really enjoying it. It expands your knowledge beyond travelers german.

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