

## German GCS Revision Notes

Now the oral examination is over, you need to think carefully about the best way of revising for the **Reading Comprehension, the Listening Comprehension and the Written Paper.**

### **Reading and Listening Comprehensions:**

Vocabulary is all important here and it is mainly going to involve **English to German vocabulary**, which is much easier to learn. I would suggest starting with the vocabulary from **Past Papers**, which you have in a separate book, and then work through your other vocabulary books or/and use the GCSE Vocabulary textbook and Deutsch Heute Part 3.

Remember that the same scenarios and vocabulary tend to come up over and over again, so Past Paper vocabulary is especially useful.

### **The Written Paper:**

The best preparation for this paper is to look back over all the essays you have written and the notes that go with them. It is very likely that one of these essays will come up again. The first essay will probably be taken from the oral topics, so the work you have already done should help with this.

Accuracy of verbs in the present, past and future is paramount and it is important to use the dative case with prepositions. To obtain an A\* you will need to use more advanced grammatical constructions such as subordinate clauses (weil, obwohl, nachdem, bevor, als, wenn etc) along with the appropriate word order, um...zu clauses, modal verbs in the imperfect, verbs with certain prepositions (warten auf and Acc. Case for example) and perhaps the pluperfect or/and conditional tense if possible. Vocabulary too needs to be more advanced for this grade and you should look at the sheets of phrases giving opinions for and against and make sure you can give opinions.

