KS3 German: revision notes

Free time and hobbies

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Hobbies

- **Ich spiele Fußball** / Tennis / Gitarre / Klavier (piano). Ich spiele Computerspiele.
- **Ich lese** (I read), ich schwimme (I swim), ich tanze (I dance), **ich höre Musik** (I listen to music), **ich fahre Rad** (I cycle), ich gehe ins Kino (I go to the cinema), ich sehe fern (I watch TV).

Likes and preferences

- Add **gern** to say you like doing something: Ich spiele **gern** Tennis (I like playing tennis). Ich spiele nicht **gern** Rugby (I don't like playing rugby).
- **lieber** (prefer): **Ich lese lieber**. am liebsten (most of all): Am liebsten tanze ich.
- How often: jeden Tag (every day), oft (often), **manchmal** (sometimes), nie (never), am Wochenende (at the weekend).

Word order and weather

- The verb is always the second idea. If you start with a time phrase, the verb comes next, then the subject: Am Wochenende spiele ich Fußball.
- Weather: **Es ist sonnig** (it's sunny), **es regnet** (it's raining), es schneit (it's snowing), es ist kalt (cold), es ist heiß (hot), es ist windig (windy).
- Wenn **es regnet**, sehe ich fern (when it rains, I watch TV): after wenn, the verbs meet in the middle.

Key terms

Ich spiele Fußball	I play football
Ich lese	I read
Ich höre Musik	I listen to music
Ich fahre Rad	I cycle

Your notes

gern	with pleasure (used for liking)
lieber	rather, preferably
am liebsten	most of all
oft	often
manchmal	sometimes
nie	never
Es regnet	it's raining
Es ist sonnig	it's sunny

Quick questions

Cover the answers and test yourself: remembering is what makes it stick.

1. How do you say "I like playing tennis"?
2. What does "Ich lese lieber" mean?
3. What does "manchmal" mean?
4. Which sentence has the right word order?
5. What does "Es regnet" mean?
6. How do you say "I listen to music"?
7. What does "Ich fahre Rad" mean?
8. What does "nie" mean?

Answers

1. Ich spiele gern Tennis
2. I prefer reading
3. sometimes
4. Am Wochenende spiele ich Fußball
5. It's raining
6. Ich höre Musik
7. I cycle
8. never

What to do next

Practise 10 questions on this topic

Try 4 exam questions, with mark schemes

Read the lesson, one step at a time

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