



Mein Haus Teacher Info

These activities are intended to complement a unit focused on *Mein Haus* for junior students. The first activity requires students to match three floor-plans (which are labelled in German) with three short paragraphs describing the respective home.

EXTENSION

Students could justify their choice to the teacher by saying something in German that makes a link between the family description and the floorplans, e.g. "Die Familie hat... und das Haus hat k..."

Then students can create their own floorplan for a *Traumhaus*, and label the rooms in German using the site www.floorplanner.com — free account, limited to one storey.



A worksheet is also supplied here which students can use while watching the video about *Anja's House (Learn German with Anja!)* — identify which statements are *richtig/falsch*.



Students can practise the relevant terms and engage with a longer description of a house by using my *textivate* text at www.textivate.com. For anyone not familiar with *textivate*: students read the text first (they don't need to understand every single word at this stage) then click on the prominent *textivate* button, and can practise individual words from the text via the 'Match' tab. Once they are more familiar with the vocab that way, they click on the 'Text' tab and choose activities to play. In the 'Text' tab they are engaging with meaning across sentence boundaries. In some activity types differentiation is possible; students can adjust the level of difficulty (e.g. 8 tiles instead of 24). If at any stage the activity asks the student to login, just tell the student to close the tab and reload the link.

After using this *textivate* activity students can modify the model text to write about their own home or *Traumhaus*.



Students can also practise vocab for dwelling types in Andrew Balaam's exercises at www.languagesonline.org.uk.



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LÖSUNGEN

1. Annika wohnt in:

- C** vier Schlafzimmer/Garage/
zwei Stockwerke/großes
Wohnzimmer/Garten

2. Thomas wohnt in:

- A** Basketballring/
vier Schlafzimmer/Partykeller/
große Garage/Garten

3. Sophia wohnt in:

- B** zwei Schlafzimmer/
Balkon/kein Garten

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