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Navigating an entry

On every entry page in our Premium dictionary, you will see the headword, pronunciation, part of speech, translations and labels where necessary.

Strafanzeige

Stressed vowel length and/or separability: Straf·anzeige

Stress, vowel length, and separability are given for compound entries.

The genitive and plural are given for all non-compound noun entries on the German-English side on the dictionary.

Katze

Pronunciation: /'katsə/

Translation of *Katze* in English:

feminine noun

Gen. Katze Pl. Katzen

read something into something
etwas in etwas Akk. hineinlesen

Case information is provided for German objects.

Translations

Whenever a translation is a headword on the other side of the dictionary it is blue and hyperlinked. You can use it to go to that entry in the other side of the dictionary.

³ (University)
[lecture](#) (über + Akk. on)

er liest neue Geschichte/Völkerrecht

he lectures on modern history/international law



give somebody the bird
(boo somebody)
jemanden auspeifen

kill two birds with one stone [figurative]
zwei Fliegen mit einer Klappe schlagen

a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush [proverb]
ein Spatz in der Hand ist besser als eine Taube auf dem Dach [proverb]

like a bird
(without difficulty or hesitation)
einfach so

The different senses of the headword itself are translated, with information to help you find which sense you need. In addition, many examples of a sense in use are provided and translated, especially when the main translation does not work in all contexts, or when unexpected verbs or prepositions may be needed.

Links are provided to the same word in other dictionaries.

Definition of there in:

- [British & World English dictionary](#)
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Pronunciations

bird

British English: /bɜːd/

American English: /bɜrd/

1 bird

friss, Vogel, oder stirb! [informal]
[you can] like it or lump it! [informal]

der Vogel ist ausgeflogen [informal]
the bird has flown

Pronunciation is given for headwords using audio and IPA (symbols that show the sound that each letter represents in the word in question). Click on the IPA for an explanation of the symbols. Click on the speaker buttons to hear the word spoken aloud.

You can also click on the speaker button next to any German word or phrase on either side of the dictionary to hear it spoken aloud.

talk through

transitive verb

talk somebody through something
etwas mit jemandem durchgehen *or* durchsprechen

talk something through
etwas durchsprechen

See parent entry: → [talk](#)

Phrases, phrasal verbs, and derivative entries

Phrases, phrasal verbs, and derivative entries are given at the end of relevant entries, and in English-German also as standalone entries which link back to the parent.



Notes and usage guidance

1 bird

friss, Vogel, oder stirb! [informal]
[you can] like it or lump it! [informal]

der Vogel ist ausgeflogen [informal]
the bird has flown

[mit etwas] den Vogel abschießen [informal]
take the biscuit [with something] [informal]

You will see a region label such as US if the word is not used in all varieties of English, a domain label if the word is only used when speaking or writing about a particular subject (such as sport), or a register label if the word is not neutral, but rather informal, offensive, or humorous, etc.

Notes are provided to explain culturally specific terms.

Cultural Note: A level — Advanced level

Ein Examen, das von vielen Schülern in England und Wales, üblicherweise im letzten Jahr der weiterführenden Schule, abgelegt wird. Die Abschlussnoten (*grades*) werden in jedem Fach einzeln vergeben. Schüler, die ein Hochschulstudium (*higher education*) anstreben, absolvieren in der Regel drei bis vier *A levels* und werden von den Universitäten und anderen Institutionen entsprechend ihren Abschlussnoten, besonders in den für ihr Studienfach relevanten Fächern, ausgewählt. Siehe auch → *AS level — Advanced Supplementary level*.

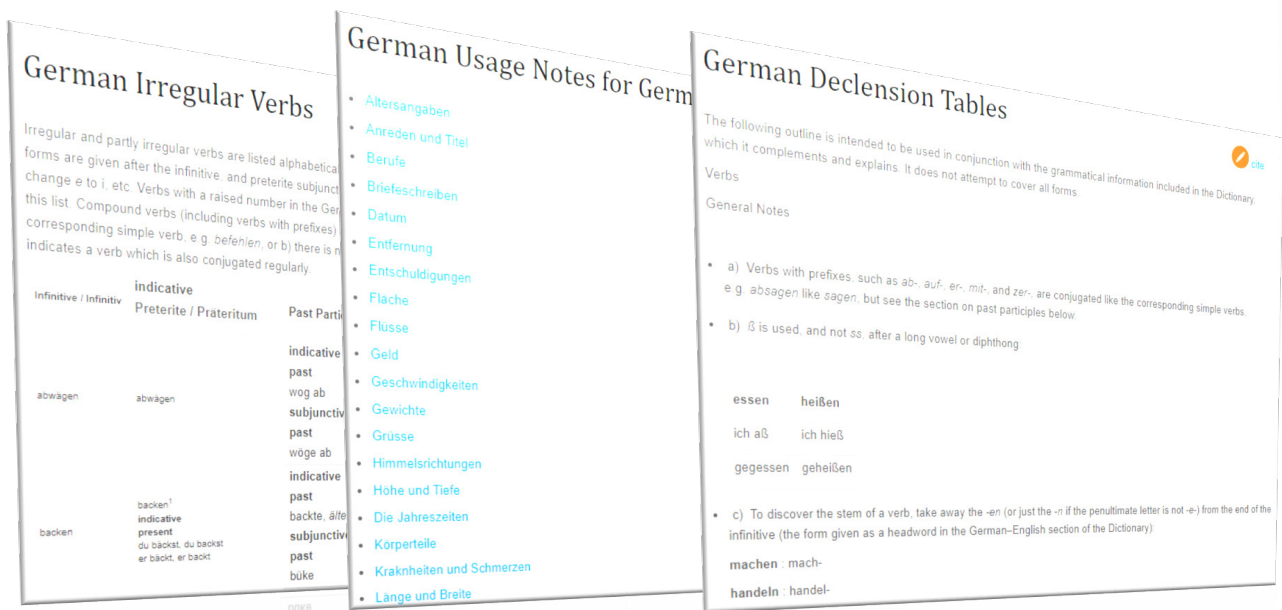
..... Grammar and usage notes are given for tricky entries.

Note: in North German colloquial usage pronominal adverbs are often divided so that *da* appears on its own with the remainder of the adverb at the end of the clause; see footnotes under → *dabei*, → *dafür*, → *dagegen*, → *daher*, → *damit*, → *danach*, → *davon*, → *davor*, → *dazu*.

Grammar



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Ways of searching

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If that phrase is in the dictionary, you will be taken to the entry that it is in and the relevant section will be highlighted.

aus der Hand lesen
read palms
sich (Dat.) aus der Hand lesen lassen
have one's palm or hand read

ENGLISH-GERMAN > CAT

There are 2 entries that translate *cat* into German:

1 2

cat

British English: /kæt/

American English: /kæʔ/

You can jump quickly between homograph entries (entries which have the same spelling but different origins) by clicking the numbers at the top of the page.

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Quizzes

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