# **Teaching notes**

This resource is designed for pairwork practice of prepositions in German.

## **Instructions**

- Students should pair up and decide which of them is person A and which is person B.
- Give person A the sheet on p.2 and person B the sheet on p.3 and tell them to keep their sheets secret from their partner.
- Highlight the vocabulary and grammar boxes to all students and go through the example sentences on the sheet.
- Model the activity by taking on the role of person A, asking where the lamp should go.
- Person B can give the example answer provided, while you show how the lamp should be sketched in the correct place by doing this on the whiteboard.
- Person A should look carefully at the items listed in the vocabulary box and check to see which of them do **not** appear in their picture
  of the room.
- They then ask person B where each item should go, listening carefully to the answers in order to draw the items in the correct place on the picture.
- Person B then does the same for the items they are missing in their picture. They each have three missing items to draw in.
- As an extension, both partners could sketch additional items on their own plan to describe to their partners, who must listen and draw
  the items in the correct place.

#### Person A

Prepositions which can be followed by either dative or accusative: an, auf, hinter, in, neben, über, unter, vor, zwischen.

Ask questions about items in the room using the nouns and prepositions in the boxes. Careful, remember ...

• Wohin kommt + **Nominativ** (Where does ... go?) = Wohin kommt die **Lampe**?

Die Lampe kommt + Präposition + **Akkusativ** (movement from X to Y) Die Lampe kommt hinter den Stuhl.

• Wo ist + Nominativ (Where is ... ?) = Wo ist die Lampe?

Die **Lampe** ist

+ Präposition

+ **Dativ** (no movement, description of location)

Die Lampe ist hinter dem Stuhl.







#### **Nouns**

das Bild - picture das Buch – book das Glas - glass das Handy - mobile der Hund - dog die Katze – cat die Lampe - lamp der Laptop - laptop der Stuhl - chair

der Tisch - table

**Prepositions** (hanging) on (the wall) an on (top of) auf behind hinter in/into in neben next to über above/over under unter in front of vor zwischen between

	MASC	FEM	NEUTER	PLURAL
ACC	den	die	das	die
DAT	dem	der	dem	den +"n" e <i>nding on</i> plural noun

#### Person B

Prepositions which can be followed by either dative or accusative: an, auf, hinter, in, neben, über, unter, vor, zwischen.

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Die Lampe kommt + Präposition + Akkusativ (movement from X to Y)

Die Lampe kommt hinter den Stuhl.

• Wo ist + Nominativ (Where is ... ?) = Wo ist die Lampe?

Die Lampe ist + Präposition + Dativ (no movement, description of location) = Die Lampe ist hinter dem Stuhl.



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