30-Day German Starter Plan

Your first month of German, one small step a day. Lessons: germansimplified.com/start-here/

Every day: 10 min vocabulary review (spaced repetition) + the focus topic + 5-10 min listening.

Day	Focus (20-40 min)	Done
1	Alphabet and letter names; spell your name	☐
2	Vowels, ei vs ie, umlauts ä ö ü	☐
3	Greetings: Hallo, Guten Tag, Tschüss; introduce yourself	☐
4	Numbers 0-20; ask and say your phone number	☐
5	der, die, das: why gender matters; first 10 nouns with articles	☐
6	Personal pronouns ich, du, er, sie, es…	☐
7	Review week 1 + 20 minutes of easy listening	☐
8	Present tense of regular verbs (machen, lernen, wohnen)	☐
9	sein and haben	☐
10	W-questions: wer, was, wo, wann, warum, wie	☐
11	Verb-second word order	☐
12	Food and drink words; ordering in a café	☐
13	Numbers 20-100; prices	☐
14	Review week 2 + speak for 5 minutes about yourself	☐
15	Accusative case: der → den, ein → einen	☐
16	nicht vs kein	☐
17	Family words; describe your family	☐
18	Days, months, telling the time	☐
19	Modal verbs können, möchten, müssen	☐
20	Shopping phrases	☐
21	Review week 3 + write 10 sentences about your day	☐
22	Separable verbs (aufstehen, einkaufen, anrufen)	☐
23	Daily routine vocabulary	☐
24	Home and furniture words with articles	☐
25	Directions and places in town	☐
26	Polite requests: Ich hätte gern…, Können Sie…?	☐
27	Weather and small talk	☐
28	Review all nouns with articles (spaced repetition)	☐
29	Mock conversation: introduce yourself, order, ask for directions	☐
30	Celebrate, then plan month 2	☐