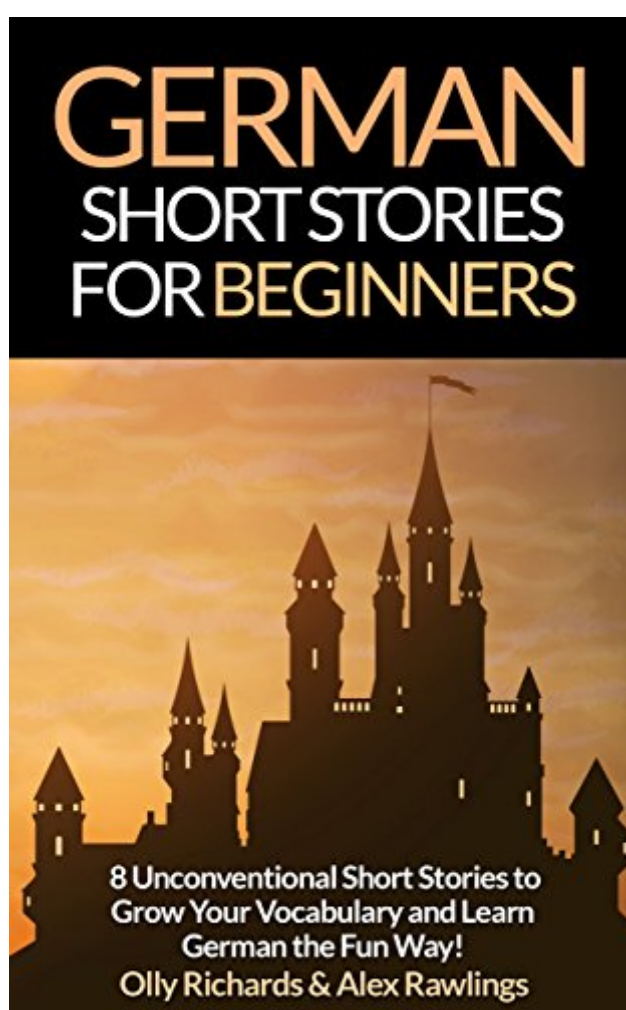


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German Short Stories For Beginners: 8 Unconventional Short Stories To Grow Your Vocabulary And Learn German The Fun Way! (German Edition)



Synopsis

Improve your comprehension, grow your vocabulary and ignite your imagination with these eight unconventional German short stories! ****Fully Revised & Updated For 2016**** In this book you will find: Short stories from a variety of compelling genres, from science fiction and crime to history and thriller, so you'll have great fun reading, whilst learning a wide range of new vocabulary and rapidly improving your German comprehension! Stories which are broken down into manageable chapters, so you always make progress with the story and feel a sense of achievement without great difficulty reading! Realistic amounts of new vocabulary so that you're not overwhelmed by complex words. Instead of pausing to look up every word, you'll absorb new vocabulary from the context of the story, and have the satisfaction of that moment when you say: "I totally understood that sentence!" • Carefully written German, using straightforward grammar that is comprehensible for beginner and intermediate level learners, so that you can enjoy reading and learn new grammatical structures without the feeling of overwhelm and frustration that you get from other books. Plenty of natural dialogues in each story, so that you can learn conversational German whilst you read, and improve your speaking ability at the same time! Regular plot summaries, comprehension questions and word reference lists, so that help is always on hand when you need it. You'll be able to focus on enjoying reading and having fun, rather than fumbling around with dictionaries and struggling through dense text with no support. A five-step plan for reading the stories in this book the smart way. This detailed introductory chapter gives you specific, step-by-step instructions for effective reading in German, so that you know exactly how to make the most out of the book and maximise your learning! German Short Stories for Beginners has been written especially for students from beginner to intermediate level (A2-B1 on the Common European Framework of Reference). The eight captivating stories are designed to give you a sense of achievement and a feeling of progress when reading. You'll finally be able to enjoy reading in German, grow your vocabulary in a natural way, and improve your comprehension at the same time. Based on extensive research into how people most enjoy and benefit from reading in a new language, this book eliminates all the frustrations you have experienced when trying to read in German: Dull topics that are no fun to read. Books so long you never reach the end. Endless chapters that make you want to give up. Impenetrable grammar that frustrates you at every turn. Complex vocabulary that leaves you with your head buried in the dictionary. Instead, you can just concentrate on what you came for in the first place - enjoying reading and having fun! If you're learning German and enjoy reading, this is the book you need to rekindle your passion for the language and take your German to the next level! So what are you waiting for? Scroll up and grab your copy now!

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Like the French volume in this series, the German is chock full of language errors that make it dangerous for its target audience: learners of German. The author can't get simple things right, constantly confusing "das" and "dass" and "sie" and "Sie" (the former means "she" and the latter "you"). There are commas where they don't belong (e.g. Vor langer Zeit, existierte ein K nigreich) and commas missing where they are required (Er war ein Mann der viele Stunden arbeitete). But these mistakes are trivial compared with the incorrect language that plagues the entire book. For example, the author seems to have forgotten correct word order in German and writes with English word order: In den Gem chern des K nigs, Lars und der K nig sa en auf zwei verschiedenen St hlen. That is English word order, not German, which would say In den Gem chern des K nigs sa en Lars und der K nig auf zwei St hlen. And this problem with word order is not limited to the stories themselves. It also crops up in the (supposedly helpful) exercises. For example, in a multiple choice question we find "Der Ritter Lars (a) kennt den Weg (b) kennt nicht den Weg." But the second option is wrong German. It should be "kennt den Weg nicht." There are other grammatical errors, such as "Die Pferde folgten den Weg" which should be "Die Pferde folgten

dem Weg" since folgen takes the dative. There are words used incorrectly, such as "Dieser Ort kommt mir familiär vor". The author is obviously thinking in English ("familiar") but the correct word in German is bekannt. The sentence should be "Dieser Ort kommt mir bekannt vor."

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