

German Root Mega-Deck —

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How to use this sample

This is a free preview of the deluxe pack. Study the three families below, try the practice lines, then check the mini answer key. The full deck has 100 German root families with cognates, practice prompts, and a full answer key.. Buy the complete PDF at studynewlanguages.co/shop/.

Root · **sprech / sprach**

Core meanings: speak, language Levels: A1-B1

Word	Meaning	Level
sprechen	to speak	A1
Sprache	language	A1
Gespräch	conversation	A2
versprechen	to promise	B1
Aussprache	pronunciation	A2

Cognate bridges: English: speech, speak · Dutch: spreken, spraak

Practice

1. What core idea does the root «sprech / sprach» carry?

2. What does «sprechen» mean?

3. What does «Sprache» mean?

4. What does «Gespräch» mean?

5. What does «versprechen» mean?

Root · schreib

Core meanings: write Levels: A1-B1

Word	Meaning	Level
schreiben	to write	A1
Schrift	script / writing	A2
Beschreibung	description	A2
unterschreiben	to sign	A2
Schreiben	letter / writing	A2

Cognate bridges: English: scribe, script · Dutch: schrijven

Practice

1. What core idea does the root «schreib» carry?

2. What does «schreiben» mean?

3. What does «Schrift» mean?

4. What does «Beschreibung» mean?

5. What does «unterschreiben» mean?

Root · fahr

Core meanings: go, drive, travel Levels: A1-B1

Word	Meaning	Level
fahren	to drive / go	A1
Fahrt	trip / ride	A2
Erfahrung	experience	A2
Verfahren	procedure	B1
Ausfahrt	exit (highway)	A2

Cognate bridges: Dutch: varen · English: fare, wayfarer

Practice

1. What core idea does the root «fahr» carry?

2. What does «fahren» mean?

3. What does «Fahrt» mean?

4. What does «Erfahrung» mean?

5. What does «Verfahren» mean?

Sample answer key

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→ speak, language
2. What does «sprechen» mean?
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3. What does «Sprache» mean?
→ language

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Root · fahr

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