

**COGNATES** are words that are **SIMILAR** in 2 languages. Make your best guess for the **ENGLISH** word based on the German word. Not all the words have text boxes to fill in. Fill in the 25 I have made.

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## German Cognates

You already know many German words. Some German words are spelled exactly like English words and have the same meanings: **Ball, Name, Hand, Sofa, warm, wild**. Many other German words are spelled almost like English words, differing only in one or two letters: **Amerika, Fisch, Kaffee, Prinz**. In these words and many others, English hard *c* becomes German **k**, English *sh* becomes German **sch**, and English soft *c* becomes German **z**. Some other German cognates have two dots — called Umlaut — over the vowels **a, o, and u**. This Umlaut changes the pronunciation of the vowel: **Bäcker** = *baker*, **Öl** = *oil*, **grün** = *green*.

How many of the following German words can you understand? Fill the blanks with their English meanings. If you need to, you may look in a dictionary:

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|-------------|-------|-----------------|-------|
| 1. Amerika  | _____ | 11. Eisberg     | _____ |
| 2. Appetit  | _____ | 12. elegant     | _____ |
| 3. Armee    | _____ | 13. Ende        | _____ |
| 4. Asche    | _____ | 14. Energie     | _____ |
| 5. Bäcker   | _____ | 15. Familie     | _____ |
| 6. Banane   | _____ | 16. Fingernagel | _____ |
| 7. blond    | _____ | 17. Fisch       | _____ |
| 8. braun    | _____ | 18. Garten      | _____ |
| 9. Busch    | _____ | 19. Gras        | _____ |
| 10. Diamant | _____ | 20. Haar        | _____ |

21. Haus \_\_\_\_\_
22. hundert \_\_\_\_\_
23. Ingenieur \_\_\_\_\_
24. Insekt \_\_\_\_\_
25. Januar \_\_\_\_\_
26. Juli \_\_\_\_\_
27. Juni \_\_\_\_\_
28. jung \_\_\_\_\_
29. Kaffee \_\_\_\_\_
30. Klasse \_\_\_\_\_
31. Konzert \_\_\_\_\_
32. Korn \_\_\_\_\_
33. Krokodil \_\_\_\_\_
34. Lampe \_\_\_\_\_
35. laut \_\_\_\_\_
36. Lippe \_\_\_\_\_
37. Mai \_\_\_\_\_
38. Mann \_\_\_\_\_
39. Maschine \_\_\_\_\_
40. Mathematik \_\_\_\_\_
41. Maus \_\_\_\_\_
42. Milch \_\_\_\_\_
43. Musik \_\_\_\_\_

44. Nummer \_\_\_\_\_
45. Offizier \_\_\_\_\_
46. Polizei \_\_\_\_\_
47. Prinz \_\_\_\_\_
48. rund \_\_\_\_\_
49. Schuh \_\_\_\_\_
50. Spanisch \_\_\_\_\_

