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EDITOR'S LETTER

Dear teachers,

In the March issue of *Schuss* we feature the young mountaineer Fabian Lentsch. The 24-year-old from Innsbruck talks about his search for unknown ski regions around the world. The article *Generation Merkel* examines the Chancellor's popularity amongst young people and the trend towards more conservative values. In addition, we take a closer look at an alternative moneyless lifestyle, the so-called 'pink tax' and data protection online. On our music page, the German-Turkish singer Elif Demirezer talks about her career, the city in focus is Berlin and our historical personality is the psychoanalyst Sigmund Freud.

Enjoy reading and learning,

Martina Koepcke

Editor

KEY

What do our symbols mean?

- Listen to an audio track about this article (www.mg-plus.net/SCHaudio).

- Do the learning unit on this article (www.mg-plus.net/delanglab).

- Watch a video about this article (www.mg-plus.net/SCHvideo).

- Explore the extra online content about this article (www.mg-plus.net/SCHextra).

- Explore the Lesson Plan included on the Teacher's Notes!

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Pages 4–5 Lesson Plan 1

Fabian Lentsch

Objectives

- To learn something about a young Austrian freeskier
- To practise reading and listening comprehension
- To revise subclauses with conjunctions

Starter

Begin with **Vorbereiten**: Ask students to engage in short dialogues with changing speaking partners. Encourage students to give reasons for their choice using a subclause with *weil*. Then ask the students to tell you the favourite sports of their speaking partners in whole sentences, if possible adding the reason given, for example: *Toms Lieblings-Sport ist Reiten, weil es Spaß macht.*

Main Activity

1 Read the title and the introduction to the interview with the class. Revise the conjunctions in **Verstehen** if necessary. Ask the class to work through the interview in pairs, and to insert the conjunctions into the gaps as they go along.

2 Ask some volunteers to read the interview aloud, taking on the roles of interviewer and interviewee. Pause after each paragraph to check the correct use of conjunctions, ask comprehension questions and clarify unknown vocabulary. Ask students to take a closer look at the conjunctions in **Verstehen**. Elicit from the class which two conjunctions are different from the others and how. (In subordinate clauses with *aber* and *denn* the word order remains unchanged. The other conjunctions on the list send the verb in the subordinate clause to the end of the sentence.)

3 Ask students to complete **Üben** in writing. Advanced students should then formulate their own questions with *warum* and ask their speaking partners to answer them.

4 Play the audio clip ‘*Bergsteigen*’ (www.mg-plus.net/SCHAUDIO) several times. Ask the class to help you to collect as many details as possible about Melli’s adventure in the classroom language and write them as bullet points on the board. Now hand out the transcript. Ask students to use the text to put the statements on the blackboard in the correct order of the narration and to complete any missing information about Melli’s story. Students should draw a mountain and add to the sketch any vocabulary from the audio transcript referring to mountains, for example *Bergsteiger, Gipfel, Sturm, Felsen, Seilbahn*. Ask advanced students to use this vocabulary to invent their own mountain adventure.

Extension

Ask students to complete **Weiterarbeiten** in writing for homework.

Pages 6–7 Lesson Plan 2

Generation Merkel

Objectives

- To learn something about the political views of German youth
- To practise reading comprehension
- To discuss political issues

Starter

Begin with **Vorbereiten** in small teams and ask students to extend their answers by giving reasons. Explain that in today’s lesson students will look at Angela Merkel’s popularity amongst German youth. Show the class a short video clip with Merkel, for example from the website www.bundeskanzlerin.de.

Main activity

1 Read the article with the class. Ask advanced groups to work through the text independently in pairs. Students self-assess their reading comprehension by answering the questions in **Verstehen**.

2 Discuss with the class what differences and similarities exist between German youth and themselves. Ask first: *Warum ist Angela Merkel bei Jugendlichen so beliebt?* Elicit the reasons from volunteers and write the key phrases on the board, from *mit Merkel groß geworden, zufrieden mit der ökonomischen Situation* to *finden Merkels progressive Flüchtlingspolitik gut*. Then discuss each item and encourage students to compare the opinions of young Germans with their own situation. Ask: *Welchen Politikern vertraut ihr? Seid ihr auch konservativ und priorisiert ihr auch Schule, Beruf und Familie? Wie ist eure Einstellung zur Flüchtlingspolitik?*

3 Organise the students into groups and ask them to read **Welche Qualitäten braucht ein guter Politiker?** Ask the groups to rank the five qualities according to their importance. They should illustrate their choice with an example from their own country and discuss possible differences of opinion within their groups. (Encourage students to utilise the *5 nützliche Ausdrücke* list on page 12 for their debates.) Volunteers should then summarise the results of the group discussions.

4 End the Lesson with **Weiterarbeiten**. Ask: *Was ist Jugendlichen in der Politik wichtig?* Record the topics mentioned by the students on the board. Then have a vote on which topic is the most relevant for the students.

Extension

Ask students to complete the online Language Lab unit (www.mg-plus.net/delanglab) for homework.

Pages 8-9 Lesson Plan 3

Leben ohne Geld

Objectives

- To learn about sustainability in Germany
- To practise reading and listening comprehension
- To revise the imperative

Starter

Ask students, in groups, to brainstorm the question in **Vorbereiten**, then record their arguments *für* and *gegen* living without money on the board. How many students can imagine living without money for a while?

Main Activity

1 Read the introduction and the paragraph about Raphael Fellmer's projects together with the class. In their groups, students should draft definitions for the following terms: *Exzessiver Konsum, Verschwendug, Umweltschutz, Nachhaltigkeit*. Ask the groups to compare and, where appropriate, improve their respective definitions. Then ask comprehension questions about Raphael, for example: *Welche Projekte hat Raphael gestartet? (Die Online-Plattform Foodsharing und den Food-Outlet Laden SirPlus). Was will Raphael mit diesen Projekten erreichen? (Er will andere inspirieren, ihren Konsum zu reduzieren.) Worum geht es in Raphaels Buch? (Es geht darum, wie man weniger konsumieren und nachhaltiger leben kann.)*

2 Ask students to read the paragraphs *Essen, Transport, Kleidung* und *Skill-Sharing* in small groups, then test their reading comprehension with **Verstehen**. If needed, revise the imperative in the second person singular for this task.

3 Play the audio clip 'Leben ohne Geld' (www.mg-plus.net/SCHaudio) and ask the students to note down answers to the following questions: *Was ist Astas Experiment? (Ein Jahr ohne Geld leben). Warum zahlt Asta keine Miete? (Sie wohnt bei Bekannten der Eltern, hilft im Haushalt, babysittet.) Wo findet Asta ihre Kleidung? (Im Umsortladen). Was kann Asta ohne Geld nicht machen? (In ein Café oder ins Kino gehen, zum Friseur gehen).*

4 Ask students to answer the questions in *Weiterarbeiten* and formulate their tips in the imperative. At the end of the lesson each group should present its suggestions. Encourage the class to comment on the suggestions and encourage discussion. Which tips can be best put into practice?

Extension

Ask students to watch the video (www.mg-plus.net/SCHvideo) and complete the true or false exercise on page 9 for homework

Grundvokabular: Leben ohne Geld

This is a list of 30 words and phrases on the topic of *Leben ohne Geld*. Photocopy the table and ask students to translate the terms.

Auf Deutsch	Übersetzung	Auf Deutsch	Übersetzung
ohne		die Ferien (Pl.)	
das Geld		der Urlaub	
eine Aktion gegen ...		der Haustausch	
der Konsum		der Umsortladen	
der Umweltschutz		gratis	
inspirieren		die Klamotten (Pl.)	
reduzieren		ein gutes Geschäft	
nachhaltig		etwas ausleihen	
die Erfahrung		etwas zum Anziehen	
weniger		das Experiment	
die Lebensmittel (Pl.)		versuchen	
der Müll		es funktioniert	
im Müll landen		Miete zahlen	
saisonal		es ist schwierig, wenn ...	
das Obst		das ist problematisch	

Pages 10-11 Lesson Plan 4

Die „rosa Steuer“

Objectives

- To learn something about the 'pink tax'
- To practise reading comprehension
- To practise using numbers and statistics

Starter

Ask students to discuss the question in **Vorbereiten** with their speaking partners. Then turn the subject into a classroom discussion.

Main Activity

1 Ask students to read the article with their speaking partners and use their dictionaries to look up unknown words. Then ask comprehension questions, for example: *Was ist die „rosa Steuer“? (Ein Mehrpreis für gender-spezifische Produkte und Dienstleistungen). Warum heißt die Steuer „rosa“? (Weil viele der Produkte für Frauen rosa sind.) Warum ist es schwierig, die Preise ähnlicher Produkte für Frauen und Männer zu vergleichen? (Die Produkte stehen in verschiedenen Regalen, die Packungsgrößen sind verschieden.)* Students should test their text comprehension by completing **Finde im Text**. Discuss the answers with the class.

2 Ask: *Für welche Produkte habt ihr schon selbst „rosa Steuer“ gezahlt?* Encourage students to cite examples from their own everyday life (e. g. when buying presents) and write them on the board.

3 Divide the class into small teams and ask the students – apart from one volunteer per team – to close their *Schuss* magazines. Ask the volunteers with the open magazines to turn the statistics on page 11 into questions. For example: *Wie viel weniger verdienen Frauen als Männer? oder: Wie viel Euro mehr kostet ein Kurzhaarschnitt für Frauen?* The other group members should take turns to guess. The student with the closest estimate gets a point.

4 After this, ask students to open their magazines again and take a good look at all the different statistics on page 11. Discuss the sample sentences with the students. Then call out a number, for example *dreiundhundert*. The first team to produce the corresponding sentence in accordance with the sample sentence (*300 Euro zahlen deutsche Frauen pro Jahr für Beautyprodukte*) gets a point and gets to call out the next number. The team that correctly calls out most sentences wins.

5 Towards the end of the lesson students should discuss the questions in **Weiterarbeiten**, first in their team and then as a classroom discussion.

Extension

Ask students to answer the question *Was können Männer und Frauen gegen die rosa Steuer tun?* in writing for homework.

Culture box

Alice Schwarzer und EMMA

Author and journalist Alice Schwarzer, born in 1942, is considered one of Germany's best known and most influential intellectual figures. Since the beginnings of the women's movement of the 1970s, the self-proclaimed feminist has campaigned for gender equality and the necessary societal changes. Her books *Frauenarbeit-Frauenbefreiung* and *Der kleine Unterschied und seine großen Folgen* shaped public debate in Germany and reached an international audience. Following the example of the feminist US magazine *Ms.*, Alice Schwarzer founded EMMA in 1977. Today, EMMA also has a website and an online archive. Alice Schwarzer has received many awards for her political engagement, including the Great Order of Merit of the German Federal Republic.