

## HANDOUT 3.1.2 ANSWERS FROM INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS IN GERMANY

### STUDENTS A - 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I don't really have heroes, but if I had to choose one that is like a hero to me, it would be the best friend I've had in my life. She helps me a lot and tries to understand me when I have problems. She's like an older sister to me.

2. What music do you listen to?

Pretty much every kind.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I like to draw sometimes but I don't have actual hobbies.

4. What in life is important to you?

To have the courage to try something new, because you only live once.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

In general, my parents don't have strict rules for me.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I can understand that they needed a place to live, but some are a bit rude and don't respect us even though we help them survive.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I actually only know one and he's integrating pretty well at my school.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My family doesn't really like them, especially my parents. My friends don't even talk about them, or they just don't care.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I don't actually know if I'm proud or not.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Natural, nice, not creative

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

To me, some seem kind of rude and just disrespectful.

**STUDENT B – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My hero is Capital Bra because he makes music that I listen to, and he has been through a lot but doesn't show it. He is also nice to his fans.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to rap and hip-hop music.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobbies are dancing and fencing. In my spare time I sometimes go out with friends or go to the youth club.

4. What in life is important to you?

Living in the moment is important to me - never to give up

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No I don't need permission from my parents, but I have to inform my parents about it. Yes, my parents have some rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I think that some refugees try to really integrate themselves in Germany, but also some behave badly - although they should be thankful that they are allowed to lead a normal life here.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I'm not sure if there are refugees in my school.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

In my environment there are people who are against refugees, but there are also those who do not mind and are also friends with refugees.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

The most important relationship to me is my family, then my boyfriend would come next, and then my friends.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

No I'm not proud to be German because I'm not from Germany.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Pampered, rich with immigrants, cool

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I find in America there are many rules, and that criminality is severely punished there.

**STUDENT C – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My hero is the YouTuber „Julien Bam“. He is my hero because he produces the most elaborate YouTube videos in Germany. The videos often have a profound message so that you start to think about the subject.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like it to listen to some sad and slow songs, and sometimes rap music too.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

In my spare time I meet friends, go dancing, and watch YouTube videos very often.

4. What in life is important to you?

In life it is important to me that I'll get a good education and a great job.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

If/when my parents know him I don't need permission. There are also no rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I think it's ok if the people need Germany as a safe place.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I don't think we have refugees because I have never noticed them.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

I haven't met someone who has a problem with refugees before.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

The relationship to my family and friends is very important to me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I'm proud to be a German because I can speak a language which not everybody can speak.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Punctual, proper, bourgeois

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think the Americans have big national pride, but they are also megalomaniacs and kitschy.

**STUDENT D – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My heroes are my parents because they are always there for me.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like to listen to pop music for example Dua Lipa or Martina Stoessel (also known as: Tini Stoessel)

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobbies are karate and drawing.

4. What in life is important to you?

My family and friends are very important to me.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I don't need permission to have a girlfriend/boyfriend, and there are only a few rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I don't know what to think about refugees.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I don't know, I don't pay attention.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

In my community there are no refugees so I can't say how my community is reacting to it.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

The relationship with my family and friends is very important to me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Yes, I am proud to be German because I think Germany is very nice and beautiful.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Beautiful, democratic, and cosmopolitan

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think America is cool.

**STUDENT E – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I don't have real heroes. I try to take one good quality of one person, and one of another person.

2. What music do you listen to?

Mostly I listen to pop music but also other kinds.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I play two instruments: the piano and the flute. In my spare time I watch movies or listen to music.

4. What in life is important to you?

Of course my family and friends are important to me. But I also like to make important decisions alone, without my parents or somebody else. I mean important questions of life and my future.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I don't need permission and they don't have real rules. They just want to meet him/her.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I have no problem with refugees. But when they say, they hate Germany so much and everything is bad, then I think "why do you come to Germany if it is so bad". To say statements like this is ok, but when they become violent I can't and don't want to understand them.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I think there are no refugees at our school, but I am not sure.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

I would say not bad. Of course sometimes they say "I don't like this or this". Often they say it is alright because most of them are nice and friendly.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

For me they are very important because they are with me all the time and support me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Yes, I am. I think Germany is a beautiful country, with nice people, good food, and I am proud to speak German because it is a very difficult language. But I think if I say I am proud to be German someone will call me a Nazi. I don't know if this is the case, but I think it might be.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Loud, big, wonderful

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I don't really know because I have never been to America or met an American. If I have to say something I would say it is a beautiful country with many people, nice shops and good food. I can't say something about Americans because I have never met anyone from there. I just know some famous people, but most of them are not what people are really like in public.

**STUDENT F – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I do not have real idols because I take one good thing from one, and something else from another person.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like to hear German rap and Russian songs.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobbies are drawing and dancing. In my free time I meet friends.

4. What in life is important to you?

It's important for me to get my high school diploma, and find a good job.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I do not need permission from my parents, but we do have rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I do not think it's that bad when refugees come to Germany for help.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I think so, and I think they integrate well because we have a very good school.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

They do not like it because there are bad incidents.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

It is very important to me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Yes, because it is very diverse.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Big, beautiful, happy

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

America is loud, there are many people, and there are many shops. Americans are happy and very crazy.

**STUDENT G – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
My parents are my idols because they always help me, and made me who I am.
2. What music do you listen to?  
I like to listen to all famous songs.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I play football (soccer) in a team, and meet my friends.
4. What in life is important to you?  
To appreciate life, and to make something of it.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
I do not need permission, but there are rules.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I think it's good, but too many is also a stupid idea.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
I think we have some, and that they integrate well too.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
I don't know.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important because I love them all.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
I am not proud of that, but it also doesn't bother me that I am German.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Stuffy, stingy, but funny
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I find their festivals and their style cool.

**STUDENT H – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My mom because she is always there for me and cares for me.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like to listen to the latest charts.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

Every Friday and Saturday I cheerlead in a club.

4. What in life is important to you?

Family and friends.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, but my mom would like to know if I had a boyfriend/girlfriend.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I don't care, because they cannot control that their country is not safe.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I don't know.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Divided. Sometimes good and sometimes bad.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Family is very important to me, because you can't replace them, you could replace friends - but they are also important to me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Of course, but if I were from a different country I would probably also be proud.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Cultural, social, and populous

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I can't say much about Americans because I have not met anyone from there yet. I find America exciting and would like to travel there.



**STUDENT I – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My hero is my mom because she does everything for me, and without her I would never be as far as I am today.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to hip-hop and pop music.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobby is football (soccer).

4. What in life is important to you?

It is important for me to have friends and learn something new everyday.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I don't need permission from my parents to have a girlfriend.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I have no problems with refugees, except refugees that don't respect us and do what they want.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

As far as I know no, but I'm not sure. If yes, then I think they are integrating well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Some people are peaceful, but others are aggressive and negative towards refugees.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important because they help me if I need help, and are always there when I need them.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I don't know because I am not German.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Large, modern, and loud

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

America is beautiful because everything is unexpected and you never know what is waiting for you.

**STUDENT J – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
I don't have a hero.
2. What music do you listen to?  
I listen to rock and pop.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I play the keyboard.
4. What in life is important to you?  
Important for me are family, friends, and fun.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, they don't have rules.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
So long as they behave properly, I do not mind.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
I don't know.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Many people don't like it, and other people think it's ok.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
It is very important to me.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
I don't really care.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Tourism, hard work, and punctuality
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I do not like the idea of legalized weapons!

**STUDENT K – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
My idol is my mom, because one day I'll be a strong woman like her.
2. What music do you listen to?  
I listen to pop, jazz, soul, R&B, and German/American rap.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
In my spare time I meet up with my friends or I stay at home.
4. What in life is important to you?  
Family is important to me.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, I don't need permission. Yes, my parents have rules.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
They are people like you and me, they also have a right to live.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
I do not really know if we have any refugees, but if yes, then yes.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Some are against them, some are for them.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Yes, I am proud, Germany is a pretty cool country.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
German, possibilities, different
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I love America and I love the people.

**STUDENT L – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My heroes are my parents because they always support me and are always there for me.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to pop music.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobby is Taekwondo. In my free time, I like to meet friends or do something with my family.

4. What in life is important to you?

In life, my family, a few friends, and a good job are important to me.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I don't need permission. Yes, they have rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I think they had a hard time, and we should help them to integrate well.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I think we don't have refugees at my school, but I am not sure.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

It is mixed, some want to help them, but some don't want refugees to come to Germany.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am half German, but I'm still proud to be German because in some areas we have much better opportunities than others.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Cultural, educated, wealthy

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I like American movies.

**STUDENT M – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
I don't have heroes because I don't want to be like other people.
2. What music do you listen to?  
I like music by Ed Sheeran, Wincent Weiß, and songs from the radio.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I like to be creative. I draw or sew, and I like to play beach volleyball.
4. What in life is important to you?  
Health, luck, and love are important to me.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, I don't need permission to have a boyfriend, and they don't have any rules.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I have nothing against refugees. But I think that too many came to Germany. So that they were crowding the homes. If the politicians hadn't let so many refugees in, we could accommodate them better.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
I think that we don't have refugees at our school.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
They react differently. Some want to help, and some don't like them.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important. I think family and friends are the most valuable thing in the world.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
I'm very proud to be German, because Germany is strong, rich, and we live well.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Democracy, strong, free
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
The people in America are so nice, they are in a good mood. :)

**STUDENT N – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My parents are my heroes, because they are always there for me and they show me how to never give up.

2. What music do you listen to?

My favorite music is rock, pop, rap, and heavy metal.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

In my spare time I read books and listen to music.

4. What in life is important to you?

The most important things in my life are my family and my friends.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I don't need permission from my parents to have a boyfriend. Yes, my parents have rules at home, for example what time I have to be back home (curfew).

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

If they need protection from war, behave and follow our rules, I have nothing against refugees.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, we have refugees at our school and they have integrated very well with us.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My community reacts in a mixed way to the topic of refugees.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

My family and friends are very important to me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am proud to be German because Germany's nature is beautiful and versatile.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Cultural, green, musical

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

America is a beautiful and big country. I can't form an opinion about the people there, because I haven't met anyone from America yet.

**STUDENT O – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
I don't have any.
2. What music do you listen to?  
German rap and K-pop
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Draw and watch Netflix.
4. What in life is important to you?  
To be happy.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
I have no idea, we have never talked about it, and even if they do I wouldn't mind.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I think it's good that we protect them.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
I do not have any at my school.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Treat them like normal people.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
They mean everything to me.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
I do not really care.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
I don't know.
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
Thanks for the good movies.

**STUDENT P – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My parents are my heroes because they teach me good things, are always there for me, and they do everything for me. When I have a problem, they help me, and they know what to do every time, I think that's incredible. I love them and I also want to be there for them and my brother. Otherwise, doctors are heroes to me because they have studied a long time at a university to help and rescue other people.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to different kinds of music. If I do my homework, I listen to Jazz music or music without words. But I often listen to music that is new or on trend (that is often hip hop and pop), and music that you can dance to. Sometimes I listen to German-rap or songs in other languages

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobby is to play the piano. In my spare time I read books or meet my friends, I like to go shopping with my mom. Often I watch YouTube videos or TV with my family after I did my homework.

4. What in life is important to you?

In my life it's important that I have fun and make my family happy and proud. I want a good job where I can help people. It is also important to me that I can spend a lot of time with my family and friends.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

Yes, I need permission from my parents to have a boyfriend. But I think that I'm too young for a boyfriend. I also don't want and don't need a boyfriend, so it's no problem for me. My parents have rules, but they aren't strict.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I think that refugees coming to Germany are people who need help, and who lost their homes because of war in their country. They are nice and want to learn German to have a good future, but there are also some refugees who do bad things, and don't want to integrate.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I think that we have refugees at our school, and I feel they are integrating well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My community reacts varied to refugees. Some people have no problems with them if they do nothing bad and would like to help them. Others like them and say that they are fun and cool. I know nobody in my friend circle who really hates them. Of course there are some people who don't like refugees.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

My family is the most important to me and my friends are very important too.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Yes, I am proud to be German because we live in peace, I can go to school, and we have a good social system.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Interesting, multicultural, friendly

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think American's are crazy (not everyone), cool and friendly. I think that America has the best shops, malls, and the best food.



**STUDENT Q – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
My heroes are some characters from my favorite books. They are brave, selfless, and strong.
2. What music do you listen to?  
I listen to pop music.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I read books every day, and sometimes I write my own stories.
4. What in life is important to you?  
My family, my friends, love, and school.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
I don't have a boyfriend, but I am sure my parents wouldn't have strict rules.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I think they deserve a chance to come to Germany.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
I'm not sure.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
They react the same as I do.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
It is important, but not too important to me.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
I'm fine being German, but I am not better than a person from another country.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Big, small, colorful
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I think it is a historical country. It is loud in the cities and natural in the small towns.

**STUDENT R – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My hero is Cristiano Ronaldo, because I want to play football (soccer) myself and be like him.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like to listen to pop, techno, and German rap.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobbies are playing football (soccer), table tennis, and computer games. I also like to meet up with my friends. That's exactly what I do in my spare time.

4. What in life is important to you?

What's important for me is that I can go to school, that I can play football (soccer), and that I have friends.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I should look for a girlfriend who is good at school, but I don't need permission to have a girlfriend.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I don't think it's bad that they come to us because they can't do anything about the war going on in their country.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I don't think we have refugees at our school.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My community acts quite normally to the refugees.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

It is very important to me to have a relationship with my parents, friend, and girlfriend. You don't want to be alone.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

German is a cool language, but unfortunately not the world language.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Popular, big, and great

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

America is a very big and popular country.

**STUDENT S – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I don't really have one.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to music from the 60s to the 80s, and videogame music but orchestrated.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobby is playing tennis, and in my spare time I often play computer games, at the moment I am playing Destiny 2.

4. What in life is important to you?

For me it is important to have a job that I like, which will never happen because I am very lazy... and to have friends.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I don't need permission to have a girlfriend, and I've never had one, so I don't really care.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I don't care.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Not that I know, but if there are some in my school they are well integrated.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

I think my community reacts very normal to refugees, with some exceptions.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

My family is important and maybe 3 friends, but a relationship... nah, not for me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I don't really know what I should be proud of.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Beautiful, boring, multicultural

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I find them funny, and I find it quite funny when they try to speak German.

**STUDENT T – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
I don't have heroes.
2. What music do you listen to?  
I listen to pop, hip hop, a little bit of rap, and a little bit of rock music.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
My hobbies are hockey, inline skating (Rollerblading), and stunt inline skating.
4. What in life is important to you?  
I think trust and health are the most important things in life.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, my parents have no rules and I don't need permission.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
They are also just humans like us.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
I do not know if I have refugees at my school.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Most of my surroundings think just like me (refugees are just humans).
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Yes, I'm proud but I have no special reason.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Tourist metropolis, unfair, rich
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I only know a few Americans but the ones I know are really cool.

**STUDENT U – 8TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My mom because she has taken care of me for 14 years, and she goes through everything with me.

2. What music do you listen to?

Predominantly German and American rap.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

In my free time I watch Netflix, and my hobbies are not really hobbies, but I do some cheerleading.

4. What in life is important to you?

My family and my friends.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I do not need permission to have a boyfriend.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

It's not bad, as long as they adapt and are not criminals.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I don't think we do, but if there are any they have integrated well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

The reactions are mixed, because foreigners are always thrown together into a pile (seen as the same), and some people assume that they are criminals, when they are not.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important, because I find that family and friends are the most important in life, and when you are sad they are there for you.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Sometimes yes, and sometimes no, because I think it's good that you get support here, and sometimes no because people make wrong decisions.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Small, sometimes unfair, nice

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I would like to live in America because the people there are just more relaxed and crazy.

**STUDENT A – 9TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My hero is my mom because she went through hard times and survived and she is always there for me. And my heroes are also Selena Gomez, Ariana Grande and Stefanie Giesinger. They all inspire me and they are so honest with their opinions. I met Stefanie in the holidays, she is so lovely.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to English pop and music for dancing.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I love dancing, hanging out with my friends, reading, taking pictures and traveling. Also I do everything while listening to music.

4. What in life is important to you?

For me life is about happiness, love and adventures.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I don't need permission to have a boyfriend.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I am open to everybody and I hope they have a better life here.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, and I feel like they sometimes could be more polite.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Some of them good and some still don't know how to feel about it.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

It's the most important thing in life. I love my family and my friends so much, and I am thankful for everyone in my family and am happy to have some really good friends.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I got to be honest, I am not very proud. Of course I am thankful that I live here, because I have a good and safe life. But sometimes I don't feel German. I don't even know why. Sometimes it feels like I am from somewhere else. But most of my family live here, so I am happy.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Hectic, hospitable, and loud

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I absolutely want to travel to the USA and get to know all the people. I love their language and I think they are very polite, open, and kind.

**STUDENT B – 9TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My hero is Marc-Uwe Kling, a comedian. I love his books.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like French music, especially from LOUANE.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I play the guitar (in a band), also I dance and sing.

4. What in life is important to you?

My family and my friends are very important to me.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I don't think so, but I have never had a boyfriend before. I'm single like a Pringle (this is a saying).

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

They have no chance of a safe life in their home, so we have to help them

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, we have refugees. Some of them are integrating well, but others are not.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Some of them are fine with refugees, others not.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

They are very important.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I wouldn't go to another country and say: "Hey, I am from Germany and I am proud of it." But I like to live in Germany, because it's my home country.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Well organized, tidy, and humorless

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think it's only a stereotype, but I think Americans are very crazy. America is an impressive continent, I love its wonderful nature.

**STUDENT C – 9TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My heroes are BTS, which consists of 7 great individual members. And I know they are mainstream at the moment and to be honest I'm not that type of person who is interested in mainstream things especially in music. But BTS wasn't that famous in the beginning. They come from a small company where it is even more difficult to get recognized by people and the K-pop music industry. Besides every K-pop Group has to work their way up to get popular no matter what agency you come from even it is from the three big agencies in K-pop Industry. And this is what I really admire. BTS overworked themselves to get on top and showed us by their music to love ourselves. It cheers me up whenever I listen to them or watch some videos because they show us that the dreams of our "Army" (fandom name) can come true.

2. What music do you listen to?

I don't really have a specific music genre that I listen to because I'm open-minded about music. As long as it sounds good for me I listen to it. Currently I listen to some Korean R&B and Indie or lo-fi music.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobby is playing the piano but I'm bad at that. I played the piano for approximately 8 years and it still sounds so bad to myself whenever I play. Apart from that, in my spare time, I'm mostly on my phone and listen to some music or watch some videos.

4. What in life is important to you?

Like everybody would say, for me family and friends are important in my life, but for me music is also a part of it. I can withdraw from reality cause of music. Music is somehow a language. You can feel and express yourself through music because of emotions, experiences and etc. Even if the singers or rappers sing or rap in a different language.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I need permission for dating or having a relationship with a guy.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I don't think it is bad that refugees are coming to Germany, as long as we respect and understand each other. But at the moment it doesn't seem like that.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes. I have refugees at my school, and actually I also do have a refugee classmate. I'm not trying to generalize that all refugees are the same and I actually do believe that there are refugees outside who try their best and I appreciate that.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

From what I've seen many people are trying to avoid refugees, but others try to behave neutrally and try to get along.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

For me family is important because you live with them since you are born and you were raised by them. It's more of a close relationship with your family. Friends are great. They listen to you carefully and cheer you up when it is needed. Relationships are not that import to me, and I don't think there is a must or a need to have someone by your side. But it is also great to have someone that you can rely on in addition you have someone that truly loves you.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I can't easily say that I am proud to be German, because I wouldn't really consider myself as a German since my parents come from a



different country. I was born in Germany and that makes me a German citizen, but from time to time being from a different race it is sometimes challenging to be accepted because of the misunderstandings in the stereotypes or prejudices. I'm not even trying to be offensive towards Germany or German people, because it would still happen to me no matter what country I would live in.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Crowded, dead silence, normal

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

Actually I've never had any deep thoughts about Americans or America. All I think about was how independent the state is. The first people who were sick of the Brit's and went overseas to create their own homeland.

**STUDENT D – 9TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I do not have a hero.

2. What music do you listen to?

I mainly listen to popular music, but I like soundtracks with classical instruments too.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I like to jump on my trampoline. In my spare time after school, I first do my homework. Sometimes after my homework, I play a game with my family.

4. What in life is important to you?

In my life my family is very important. If I think about a holiday without my family it would be boring, and I wouldn't like it. My friends are also important. Without friends lunchtime or spare time wouldn't be fun.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I don't need permission, and also there really are no rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I accept the refugees who come to our country because of war in their country. They are looking for a job to feed their families. But what I do not understand is when refugees come to our country and do nothing, some just apply to Hartz IV (unemployment care), and do not integrate.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, we have refugees at our school. One tries to integrate more than another, and a third one does not even try.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

I think that my environment first reacted positively to refugees. Depending on what the refugees do, the opinions could change to be negative.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

The relationship with my family is very important to me, my friends too.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am proud to be German, but if I was Polish or from another country, then I would be proud too.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Multicultural, progressive, elitist

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think about Americans first positively, and depending on how they behave my opinion can move into the negative.

**STUDENT E – 9TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My hero is Neo from the Matrix, because he showed me that not everything in the world is true.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to everything except "Schlager", "Schlager" is really horrible.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I often go ice-skating in winter, otherwise I like dancing.

4. What in life is important to you?

I think the most important thing is to make as much of your life as possible.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I don't. I already have a boyfriend, and my mom supports me very much in this regard.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

To be honest, I don't really care about that.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, I have one in my class, but he is really not nice and does not intend to integrate. But I think he is an exception.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Most of my friends are pretty open to it, but my family is not.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

They are really important.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Why should one be proud of their home country? You are from, where you are from. No country is better than another (no rich country should pose as better than poor countries).

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

I don't know

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think, that it would be very cool to live in America, it is such a beautiful country.

**STUDENT F – 9TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
My mother because she has gone through a lot of difficult times.
2. What music do you listen to?  
Pop music, and k-pop.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Drawing, listening to music, and dancing.
4. What in life is important to you?  
Family and friends.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
Yes, I need permission. I need to have good grades.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I am not really sure about it
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, some do and some don't.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Most of them aren't really happy about it.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
They are very important to me.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Yes, because we have a lot of freedom.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Advanced, free, open
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I think America is very interesting, and I would like to do a year abroad there.

**STUDENT G – 9TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
I don't have any.
2. What music do you listen to?  
I like to listen to electro and film music.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I play Magic the Gathering in my spare time and meet up with my friends.
4. What in life is important to you?  
My friends and family are very important to me.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
Why should I need permission for this? No.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
For me, refugees are just people like you and me.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, I have refugees at my school, and most of them have integrated well.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
I don't know.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important, nothing else compares.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Why should I be proud? For me, Germany is my country and my home.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Mountainous, divided, multicultural
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I think Americans are funny, crazy, and dreamers.

**STUDENT H – 9TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My heroes are Cara Delevingne, Jennifer Lawrence, and Billie Eilish. I like them because they are funny, smart, and pretty.

2. What music do you listen to?

At the moment I often listen to Billie Eilish. I also like songs from the 80's.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

In my spare time I meet with friend, and I play the accordion.

4. What in life is important to you?

It is important to me, that I can make my own decisions.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I don't need permission from my parents. They say as long as I am happy, they are too. The only rule they have is, that the person doesn't hurt me and is nice to me.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I don't have a problem with refugees, as long as they are nice.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, I have refugees at my school and in my class. I think students are in their own groups (cliques) and most of the refugees are in one.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Positive and negative. It depends on the person but mostly it is something in between.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

My family and friends are very important to me. When I am with them I can be who I am, and I feel comfortable around them.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am proud to be German. I was born here and I like Germany.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Diverse, tolerant, and cosmopolitan

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I like Americans because they have great personalities, and the language is beautiful. I don't like the politics. I don't like Donald Trump, and that it is so easy to get a gun.

**STUDENT A – 11TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I don't have heroes.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to Chinese, v-pop, piano, and in general pop music.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobbies are going shopping, reading comics, listening to music, meeting my friends, and drinking hot cocoa with them.

4. What in life is important to you?

Enough money, my happiness, good friends, and a future husband are important to me.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No I don't need permission, and my parents don't have rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I don't hate them, but I don't like them either.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I have refugees at my school, and they are integrating well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Some hate them, some like them.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

They are very important to me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I'm not proud to be German because it does not have a special meaning to me to be German.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Modern, cold, beautiful

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think Americans are very conceited, racist, and too proud about being American, but in some parts of America people are the complete opposite.

**STUDENT B – 11TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My parents are my idols. They give me a great attitude to life, all freedoms I need, and they have shown me how to be positive about life.

2. What music do you listen to?

Pop (Rea Garvey, Sunrise Avenue, Shawn Mendes)

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

Reading, and riding horses.

4. What in life is important to you?

My family, my friends, a good education, a good job later on, a lucky and healthy life, my home.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I don't need permission from my parents to have a boyfriend.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I think there are some who really need help, but also those who exploit our help.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, I have refugees at my school. I don't know if they are integrating well because I don't have much contact with them.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My community thinks the same as me (see comment to question 6).

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

My family and friends are very important to me. They try to help and support me in every situation. Relationships are nice, but not so important to me at the moment.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am neutral towards Germany. I think it would be the same if I was born or would live in another country. It's hard to say if you're proud of a country. I think you can be proud of something you have achieved, but not a whole country.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Multicultural, shattered, strong economy

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

Americans are like us, humans.



**STUDENT C – 11TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My hero is my dad because he is very intelligent and ambitious. He is the best dad in the world.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like all kind of genres, but I like to listen to Indie music the most.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobbies are drawing and reading. In my spare time I like to draw while watching Netflix.

4. What in life is important to you?

It's very important to me to spend a lot of time with my family.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I don't need permission. Yes, my parents have rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I have good and bad things to say about this topic.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, I have refugees at my school. Yes, I think they are integrating well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My community acts varied towards refugees.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Those are the most important things in my life.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I can't clearly say. I am who I am.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Multicultural, political, important

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

They make good films but nothing more.

**STUDENT D – 11TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I don't have idols.

2. What music do you listen to?

Most of the time I listen to German hip hop, but also other German music.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

In my spare time I listen to music and play computer games, or go outside with my dog.

4. What in life is important to you?

For me my music, my dog, and my family are important.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, they don't have any rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

Refugees don't have it easy here in Germany. For me, I don't really think about this topic often because they are also humans like us.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, and yes.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

People who need help because of war are always welcome.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

A family must stick together. Friends and relationships is like a second family.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Sure, it's my homeland.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Home, family

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

They are people like us.

**STUDENT E – 11TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

One of my heroes is "Theishter", a pianist on YouTube who inspired me with his videos.

2. What music do you listen to?

There is no specific music genre I listen to, but I really dislike dubstep and "Schlager".

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

In my spare time I play video games, watch videos on YouTube/memes, and play the piano.

4. What in life is important to you?

The most important thing in my life is to have a secure income in the future, and people I can spend time with.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I don't need permission from my parents to have a girlfriend, nor are there specific rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

To be honest, I don't care about refugees coming to Germany because my life hasn't changed much because of that.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, we do have refugees at our school, and I also think that they are integrating well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My community is feeling rather mixed about refugees. There are overall more positive than negative opinions on this subject.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

My relations with others are the most important thing in my life.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I don't feel proud about being German. I don't consider myself a German because my parents aren't.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Surprising, exciting, diverse

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

If I think about America, I think about creative people, unhealthy food, the newest technology, and big companies.

**STUDENT F – 11TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My hero is a German rapper, called SunDiego, because his life is the perfect example of how someone can go from zero to hero. When someone tries very hard to achieve something, they can do it.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to hip hop.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobby is swimming, and in my spare time I play video games, meet my friends, and do school activities.

4. What in life is important to you?

It is important to me that I can fulfil my dreams, and that everyone in my community is healthy.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I do not need the permission of my parents to have a girlfriend, and they do not have any rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I do not have anything against refugees if they behave like they should.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, we have refugees at our school, and I think they are integrating very well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My community is rather against refugees than for them.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Family, friends, and relationships are the most important things in my life.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Yes, I am proud to be German because some Germans did/invented/discovered some great things.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Big, beautiful, varied

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think that Americans are very nice to other people, because I have some American friends who were very nice to me when they first met me. I think that America is a beautiful country for holidays (vacation).

**STUDENT G – 11TH GRADE, BERLIN (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

Mom, dad, Olga Kulikova, and Khristyna Moshenska because they show me that my dreams are not out of reach.

2. What music do you listen to?

Pop and standard Latin music, if it counts – also Audiobooks.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I dance standard and Latin dance, watch series and films, and read during vacations.

4. What in life is important to you?

Happiness and health for the people and animals (nature) that I love, and to earn money to be able to finance living.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, because they trust me and I know what is right and wrong, and if I do not know something I will ask them.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I think it's good. As long as they have the will to bring something to make Germany better, and thus show their gratitude. By going to work. Learning or doing something similar, and accepting and respecting German culture and its people.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, but they are not all integrated.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

I think it depends on the situation, the age, and experience. My grandma does not react very well, and my parents have the same opinion as me (see comment question 6).

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

The relation to my closest family is very important to me. I don't have many friends, but the relationship with those I have is very important to me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I cannot really answer this question. I am proud to be myself, I am proud of my parents, my brother and so on. I am proud of who I am, but it is not important to me to be a "German girl".

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Bureaucratic, impersonal, diverse

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I love English but I can't read or write it very well. I like them.

**STUDENT A - 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
Bernie Sanders, Emmanuel Macron
2. What music do you listen to?  
Jazz, rock, and the charts
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Badminton, serving as a lifeguard, fitness, running, political activism (SPD, JUSOS), reading
4. What in life is important to you?  
Luck, contentment, wealth, health, and personal success
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
It is a humane act of Germany, but it is an opportunity and a risk for economic strength and internal security.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes and they are integrating well.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Largely positive, but partially divided.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
I am proud of the values of the Basic Law (our constitution), but I have no influence from where I am from.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Democratic, affluent, high quality of life
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
Uneducated, patriotic, innovative

**STUDENT B - 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
Bruce Wayne, Simon Sinek, Obama
2. What music do you listen to?  
Rock and the charts
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Running, soccer, piano
4. What in life is important to you?  
Contentment, wealth, friends, and personal success
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I understand them, especially because the West is also partly to blame for the wars in their countries.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes and they are integrating well.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Largely positive, but partially divided.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Yes, because I like Germany.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Democratic, affluent, high quality of life
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
Uneducated, patriotic, leading economy

**STUDENT C – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
Winston McCall
2. What music do you listen to?  
Pop/rock (i.e. Queen, Florence and the Machine)
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Piano, singing, playing in a band
4. What in life is important to you?  
Love and education
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, and they have no rules because I am of legal age (18)
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
They are humans.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes and yes
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Different. Young people are usually more tolerant than older people.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
I am not German.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Strict, bureaucratic, democratic
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I think of them as humans



**STUDENT D – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

Elon Musk, Bruce Wayne, Simon Sinek, Kai Green

2. What music do you listen to?

Hip hop

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

Piano, gym

4. What in life is important to you?

Job, friends, and love

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, but the opinion of my parent's matters to me.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

Nothing out of the ordinary.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes and yes

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Not everyone views it as positive.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

The relationship of my parents is equal to the one with my girlfriend, they mean everything to me. Those that I see as real friends are like brothers to me that are always there for each other.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I do not think about being German a lot.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Easy going, open, high standards

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

Most of them are very friendly, and it is nice to spend time with them.

**STUDENT E – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

Linus Torvalds

2. What music do you listen to?

Electronic, trap, American rap, Kollegah (German rapper), cinematic

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

Fitness/sport, listening to music, meeting friends, working on videos and photos, sleeping, and eating

4. What in life is important to you?

Love, sports, stress free environment, adequate financial security

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

Most of the rules the students have are to do with curfews, safety, and health

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

It's a good thing there's a reasonably safe place for refugees.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes and they are integrating well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

There is no question of integration at school (it's working well); Germany as a whole is one of the few countries that has acted so openly, but there are always outliers that do not tolerate their new norms/lives.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important, family has a huge meaning to me. Friendships are also important to me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Yes, I am! It's a beautiful country with a good identity.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Structured, gray, witless

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I see myself as American because I spent my childhood there. Americans are more open, although the authorities act very xenophobic.

**STUDENT F – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My sister

2. What music do you listen to?

Hardcore/Metal core

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

Soccer, basketball, golf

4. What in life is important to you?

Health, happy family and friends, achievement of goals, joy for life, fulfilment

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I do not need permission to have a relationship. The only rules I have from my parents are regarding safety and health.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I'm interested in their history and background, I'm open towards them. I also see some incidents, in which refugees were involved, very critically.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes and they are integrating well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My environment is similar to me, open but also critical.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Indifferent

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Highly regarded, prosperous, uptight

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I don't know them well enough, however, they are open but often naive, have an interesting culture, weapons are too openly used (they scare off visitors), disparities are very big, racism is a huge problem.

**STUDENT G – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
(no answer)
2. What music do you listen to?  
Charts
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Sleeping, working on my PC, going to concerts, spending time with my dog
4. What in life is important to you?  
Music, family, and friends
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
Welcome
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, I think that it depends on the character of the individuals, and how they can get along with our people.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Almost exclusively positive with very few exceptions.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Proud, since I appreciate the values conveyed in Germany
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Bureaucratic, prosperous, diverse
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
USA: horrible laws on weapons. Canada: Great. Latin America: high criminality

**STUDENT H – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
(no answer)
2. What music do you listen to?  
Everything except for Punk and Rock. Trap, American rap, German rap, Indie, Pop, Acoustic, Orchestral, Chilstep...
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Bodybuilding, editing videos, music, and photography
4. What in life is important to you?  
Family and friends
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
Welcome
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes and they are integrating well.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Mostly very positive.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Important
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
I am not German, I am from Brazil. Yet, I am proud to be a naturalized citizen of Germany.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Democratic, beer from 16 years up, prosperous
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
Nice people, even if partly very superficial

**STUDENT I – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
(no answer)
2. What music do you listen to?  
Rammstein, the Wombats, Sam Cooke
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
American football
4. What in life is important to you?  
Independence, financial freedom, luck, and health
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I am fine with it
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes and they are integrating well.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Not very well, and in some cases very disrespectful. It all depends on the region.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Important
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Yes
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Closed mindset, orderly
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I love America!

**STUDENT J – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
(no answer)
2. What music do you listen to?  
Annenmaykanteret, Red Hot Chili Peppers, ABBA
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Tennis
4. What in life is important to you?  
Friends, family, animals
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, I live alone. I have my own rules (I am 18).
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I accept everyone
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes and they are integrating well.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Differently, mostly very accepting.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Family is the most important
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Yes
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Democratic, liberal-minded, cosmopolitan
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
Superficial but polite.

**STUDENT K – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
(no answer)
2. What music do you listen to?  
Independent music
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Dancing, playing piano and guitar, singing, drawing, watching series and movies, photography
4. What in life is important to you?  
Family, traveling (experiencing new things)
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
Heartfelt welcome!
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
I do not have any in my courses.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Tolerant/accepting, occasionally slightly averse.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Important
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
I am happy that it is possible to lead a good life in Germany.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Just
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
Superficial, proud



**STUDENT L – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

(no answer)

2. What music do you listen to?

German rap, pop

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

Dancing, playing piano, photography, swimming, and biking

4. What in life is important to you?

Friends, family, and contentment

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

They are welcome here!

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Integration is successful when both sides try to help the integration process. It has worked here!

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Positive

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Important

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am not necessarily proud of the German past, but nevertheless I am proud to live in a country in which the quality of life is so high, and which offers me such innumerable possibilities in every respect.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Beautiful, punctual, rational

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

Patriotic, diverse

**STUDENT M – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

(no answer)

2. What music do you listen to?

Radio

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

Programming, reading nonfiction, reading online articles and blogs

4. What in life is important to you?

Family, friends, luck/contentment, health

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

Everyone should give them a chance.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, I have people who fled in my grade. I do not have any in my classes, so I cannot judge how they have integrated.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Positive

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Family is extremely important, friends are too (but you shouldn't have too many).

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Proud of freedom, possibilities, constitutional law, all which are possible in Germany.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Bureaucratic, self-confident, wise

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

The USA is a beautiful country with many opportunities (especially in education and jobs in the Software industry). I have not had much contact with Americans, but I think they are very nice people.

**STUDENT N – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

(no answer)

2. What music do you listen to?

Santiano, French music (Claudio Capeo, Maitre Gims, Stromae), Green Day, Linkin Park, Bondage Fairies (Electro)

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

Varsity rowing, building general knowledge, and get involve (pay attention) to current politics

4. What in life is important to you?

Health, well-being, family, and success

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I am in favor of the reception of refugees, but this must always be accompanied by satisfactory integration or assimilation. I see refugees as nice people, and think that they should be helped.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

I have people who fled in my school, and I believe they have integrated very well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

I don't know because I don't discuss this subject with my peers. Still, I think, that people are generally tolerant, but many are not satisfied with the large number of refugees.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Relationships are the most important to me

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I'm proud to be German. I don't think we should not be proud because of our history. We are a strong country that has a lot of influence on the world and can make it a better place.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Technology, bureaucratic, progressive

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

Uneducated, ignorant, big gap between sustainable and destructive thoughts, the love for guns is absolutely crazy! No privacy (spying on its population through the CIA, NSA... persecution of Edward Snowden). Progressive (e.g. California with Silicon Valley). Americans are involved in so many wars and also commit human rights violations (Guantanamo, torture, waterboarding, etc.). They have also started wars, such as the Vietnam War, based on lies.

**STUDENT O – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

(no answer)

2. What music do you listen to?

Hardstyle, Disco, DJ

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

Dancing, programming, playing basketball, play video games, program video games, and winning video games ;)

4. What in life is important to you?

Goals that one can reach

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No I do not need permission.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

People in need must be helped! But rules have to be followed.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

(no answer)

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Very divided, many react like me - open and positive, but also slightly critical.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am not really sure, I wouldn't say proud, but I am happy to be in Germany.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Freedom, good future

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

Americans are very proud, happy, and energetic. They often live either a completely humble lifestyle, or a completely eccentric lifestyle. America is a country of extremes.

**STUDENT P – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
(no answer)
2. What music do you listen to?  
International charts, German rap
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Working part-time, meet with friends, homework
4. What in life is important to you?  
Family, friends, well-being, space to live
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, only curfew times.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
People need help and they need to be helped, but it needs to be checked whether it is about economic migrants or in fact refugees.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
(no answer)
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Very different, some think badly about them, but most accept them in Germany.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Yes
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Justice, freedom
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
Nice people, but I have not met very many of them. In America the president (Donald Trump) disturbs/annoys me, but other than that I think America is a good country.

**STUDENT Q – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

(no answer)

2. What music do you listen to?

Rap, hip hop

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

Soccer, playing computer games, and working

4. What in life is important to you?

That my family is doing well, and that I can have a successful job

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I do not need permission for romances. My rules are only about curfews.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

We must remember that these are people who have fled terrible conditions, and now need help here in Germany.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

(no answer)

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

So far I've only had good experiences. We had a refugee in my soccer team, he was an integral part of it. He had to return to his country, which we all regretted very much.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

(no answer)

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

(no answer)

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

(no answer)

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

America is a cool country that I'd like to visit one day. I have never had contact to Americans.

**STUDENT R – 12TH GRADE, BRAUNSCHWEIG (GYMNASIUM)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

(no answer)

2. What music do you listen to?

(no answer)

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

(no answer)

4. What in life is important to you?

Health, happy family and friends, achievement of goals, joy of life, fulfilment

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No I do not need permission to have a boyfriend. There are no rules in our house, because I am 18.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

They have been through a lot, and can start over in Germany. However, it is a pity that some of them are being deported and will have their lives in Germany uprooted again.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

(no answer)

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

(no answer)

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

(no answer)

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

(no answer)

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

(no answer)

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

(no answer)

**STUDENT A – 10TH GRADE, NEUMARKT REALSCHULE (ALL-GIRLS SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My brother, because he knows a lot, and he helps and supports me.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like to listen to rock, to bands such as "Die Ärzte" and "Die Toten Hosen".

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

In my spare time I go to a gymnastics club twice a week, and on the weekends I take part in competitions.

4. What in life is important to you?

It is important to me to fulfil my dreams and be happy.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

My parents would not mind, they would like to meet him though.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I am of the opinion that all people are equal and therefore should be welcome in Germany, but only if they adapt to us, and learn our language. I think they should be treated the same as all Germans. There should be an upper limit quota, we owe that to the citizens.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

There are no refugees in my class, but there are students with migrant background, and I think they are very nice.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My environment reacts well to refugees, but of course there are those that scrutinize them.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Family and friends are the most important to me because they always support me, and accompany me in everything I do.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Yes! Because I also see that there are a lot of countries that are poorer, and we are doing well in Germany. I am proud of that.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Peace, happiness, food.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I'd like to fly there some day. I think the attitudes of the people there is very cool.



**STUDENT B – 10TH GRADE, NEUMARKT REALSCHULE (ALL-GIRLS SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My sister, because she helps me with everything.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to the current pop charts.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I attend a gymnastics club, play the panpipe, the accordion, and I do a lot with my friends.

4. What in life is important to you?

In my life happiness, fun, friendship, trust, and respect are important to me.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

As long as the boy treats me well, my mother would be happy for me.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

The refugees deserve a safe home! But they must also earn their respect.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, they are well respected, and they respect us too. We are friends and laugh together.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

With precaution, but still friendly and with respect.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important! They laugh with me, and respect me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am proud to be German because I live here, and it is a beautiful country. Germany has its faults, but one can look past them.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Beautiful, peaceful, fair.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I'd like to visit America.

**STUDENT C – 10TH GRADE, NEUMARKT REALSCHULE (ALL-GIRLS SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

The doctors and nurses in the hospitals who save people and help them.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like to listen to pop like Shawn Mendes and Charlie Puth.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobby is acting in the theater. I am also in the process of training to be a lifeguard.

4. What in life is important to you?

The health of my family, happiness, and fun are the most important to me.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, they would be happy for me. They would want to meet him though.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

Everyone deserves a safe and war-free home, and I think it is nice that Germany accepts refugees, and offers them a regular life.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, they are well respected, and they respect us too. We are friends and laugh together.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My personal environment responds very well to refugees, even if opinions on the subject of refugees sometimes differ. My mother, for example, works with refugees.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

I think it is very important because they help me with all of my problems.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am proud to be German because there are no wars raging here, and we are doing well.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Kind, helpful, peaceful.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think America is very beautiful, especially the big cities, because there aren't big cities like that in Germany.

**STUDENT D – 10TH GRADE, NEUMARKT REALSCHULE (ALL-GIRLS SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

Stephen Hawking, because he was an inspiration to science, and because he always believed in his dreams.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to rock music.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I like to meet up with my friends, and like going to the youth fire brigade.

4. What in life is important to you?

It is important to me to realize my dreams, and of course friends and family.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, my parents are happy if I am happy.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

The refugees deserve a safe home! But they must also earn their respect.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, and yes.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My environment reacts very mixed, some are open to refugees, others are rather skeptical.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important! They laugh with me, and respect me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am proud to be German because peace reigns, and it is beautiful here.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Righteous, peace, beauty.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think it is very beautiful, I have been there twice already.

**STUDENT E – 10TH GRADE, NEUMARKT REALSCHULE (ALL-GIRLS SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

Dan brown, because his books are insanely informative, and just fantastic!

2. What music do you listen to?

I like listening to pop music.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

In my spare time I take ballet and gymnastics. I also like doing things with my friends.

4. What in life is important to you?

To live in the now, and not to postpone things for later.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

My parents do not have any rules regarding dating, they would be happy for me.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

(No answer)

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, they are.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My environment reacts open to refugees. But of course I also see, through the papers and the news, that there are people who think differently than me.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important because they support me in everything I do.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Yes, I am proud to be German because it is a good country.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Just, peaceful, beautiful.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think America is beautiful. I've always wanted to go.

**STUDENT A – 8TH GRADE, SCHWERIN (WALDORF SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I don't really have heroes.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like Pop and a little bit of Techno.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I like to draw, listen to music, and do stuff on my phone.

4. What in life is important to you?

My family and friends are important to me, but also to be happy in life.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I don't need permission to have a boyfriend/girlfriend. Of course my parents have rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I think most of them are really nice people. I think we should give them a chance.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, but they are not in my class.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My community thinks the same as I do about refugees.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Yes, why not?

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Sometimes cold and rainy, sometimes hot and sunny, green and with many lakes.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think America is very cool.

**STUDENT B – 8TH GRADE, SCHWERIN (WALDORF SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
I don't know.
2. What music do you listen to?  
Pop and Rap.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I like to meet my friends.
4. What in life is important to you?  
Family and friends.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
Yes, my parents have rules for me.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I think refugees should be welcomed and treated like everyone else.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, but not in my class.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
They react like I do.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
They're very important to me.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Well, are you proud to be American?
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Beautiful, gorgeous, and medium size.
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I'm not sure, I think it's a nice country.

**STUDENT C – 8TH GRADE, SCHWERIN (WALDORF SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I don't have any heroes.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to many different music styles.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I play violin in an orchestra, I bake, read, etc.

4. What in life is important to you?

Friendship, family, peace.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I don't need permission for a boyfriend, but my parents have some rules for me.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I want to integrate them.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, but not in my class. I think they are integrating well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

I'm not really sure, but most of my community says that it is okay.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

My family and my friends are much more important to me than anything else. I would give everything for them just to know that they were safe.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am not proud of Germany because I think one can't be proud of having been born in a country. But, I do really like to live here.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Beautiful, rich, pretty.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think the Americans are good at business. Lots of the biggest companies and some of the best universities are in the USA.

**STUDENT D – 8TH GRADE, SCHWERIN (WALDORF SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
I don't have any heroes.
2. What music do you listen to?  
I like Pop, K-pop, and a little bit of Rap.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I'm often drawing, sailing, playing piano, meeting my friends, and doing other things.
4. What in life is important to you?  
My family, friends, and my dog.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
I believe that all parents have rules.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I think it's important to give them all a chance.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, but not in my class.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Sometimes they are open, sometimes they are not.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
No!
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
(No answer.)
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I don't know.



**STUDENT E – 8TH GRADE, SCHWERIN (WALDORF SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I have no one.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like to listen to Ed Sheeran.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobbies are sailing, playing guitar and theater.

4. What in life is important to you?

My family, friendship, and freedom.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, just a few normal rules about curfew etc...

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

They are welcome. I think refugees should be welcomed and treated like everybody else.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

(No answer.)

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

(No answer.)

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

(No answer.)

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

(No answer.)

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

(No answer.)

**STUDENT A – 10TH GRADE, SCHWERIN (WALDORF SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My hero is probably my dad. He moved from a different country to Germany and he couldn't speak the language. Now, he has a great job with four kids. I think that is very admirable.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to all types of music, but I mostly listen to music from the 80's and the 90's.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I love playing the violin. I play in 2 orchestras and I practice for four hours each day.

4. What in life is important to you?

In my life, my family, friends, and going to school is important to me. But the most important thing to me is peace in the world.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a boyfriend/girlfriend? Do your parents have rules?

I don't have to ask my parents.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I know there are many different opinions about refugees, but they lost their homes, families, etc. and a lot of people do not recognize that. Some people here don't want people to come, who don't speak German or look different, to live in their country because they are considered "dangerous." I think that people who think like this are not clever. They should see the position the refugees are in and hopefully be able to see how hard it is to be new in a different country.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, both of them are good in school and they are integrating well. But, I think we all could make it better for them.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Most of the people act well towards refugees, but some people here hate refugees.

9. How important are family, friends and relationships to you?

They are important to me. Whenever I am in a bad situation and I don't know what to do, they help me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I'm not proud of our history, but most people are cool.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Strong, great, powerful.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

America didn't turn great again, like Trump said. That's a problem! Americans are just like any other people on our planet, in my opinion.

**STUDENT B – 10TH GRADE, SCHWERIN (WALDORF SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
My heroes are my parents because I like what they do.
2. What music do you listen to?  
I listen to Hip Hop/Rap.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I like to listen to music play video games, and play sports.
4. What in life is important to you?  
In my life, it is important to have luck.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a boyfriend/girlfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
For me, they are welcome.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, we do and I think a big part of them make it good for the community.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
They react very well.
9. How important are family, friends and relationships to you?  
They are all very important to me.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Yes, I am proud to be a Germany.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Great, rich, almighty!
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
I have never met them, but I don't think Trump is cool.

**STUDENT C – 10TH GRADE, SCHWERIN (WALDORF SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

The people who try to change the world in the right way like UNICEF or Green Peace.

2. What music do you listen to?

I like to listen to Indie or Alternative Rock.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobbies are playing the piano and playing sports.

4. What in life is important to you?

In my life, I hope to have many opportunities.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a boyfriend/girlfriend? Do your parents have rules?

Yes, they do have rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

In Germany, we have enough space so why shouldn't we help people?

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, and they are integrating well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

In Germany there are many different opinions about refugees being here.

9. How important are family, friends and relationships to you?

It's the most important thing in my life, I couldn't live without them.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am not proud to be a German, but I am happy to live in Germany.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Great, strong, powerful.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I think America is a great country. I love America, there are many nice people there. In the future, I would like to live there. However, I don't "understand" the election system or Trump with his government (Germany has a different election process than the U.S. ).

**STUDENT D – 10TH GRADE, SCHWERIN (WALDORF SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My heroes are my parents because they are so beautiful, fair, strong, patient, and open-minded

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to Ariana Grande, Beyonce, Mac Miller, Cardi B., Jason Derulo, etc.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobbies are dancing, acting in the theater, and playing the flute.

4. What in life is important to you?

Making my dreams come to life and helping people.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a boyfriend/girlfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, my parents are actually very cool. They trust me a lot, that's why we don't have rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

Germany has both friendly and unfriendly people. These refugees need our help, so we should help them.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, we have refugees at our school. I think they are integrating well, but I think it's also hard for them.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

My community reacts well towards the refugees when they integrate themselves.

9. How important are family, friends and relationships to you?

My family is very important to me, relationships are less important to me.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I'm not a big fan of Germany. I can't really explain why, it's just that everything in Germany doesn't really fit me and my lifestyle.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Gorgeous.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I don't know what I think about America. It's a big country, and I don't think they have the best government.

**STUDENT E – 10TH GRADE, SCHWERIN (WALDORF SCHOOL)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

I don't have heroes, but some people are interesting like Musk or Carvana.

2. What music do you listen to?

I listen to rap and classic music.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

My hobbies are taking good pictures with a good camera and having lots of fun with my friends.

4. What in life is important to you?

For me, it's important to have a family and be healthy.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a boyfriend/girlfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, I don't have to have permission from my parents. However, during the week I am not allowed to be out too late.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I feel like we should help refugees. If there is a war in the future in Germany, we will also need others help.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, I think they are.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

It varies because it could be that the younger generations are more open-minded than the older people. All my teachers are open-minded, and they say that refugees are welcome here.

9. How important are family, friends and relationships to you?

They are really important to me, but my relationship with my girlfriend is the most important.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Sure. But some of our politicians are a bit stupid, like Seehofer or Spahn. In Germany, you can do what you want. That's great!

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Rich.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I have never met an American, but I hear bad things about them (guns, politics, violence).

**STUDENT A – 9TH GRADE, WÜRZBURG (REALSCHULE)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My mother, she is the strongest woman that I know (psychologically).

2. What music do you listen to?

Classical

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I like hip hop dancing, and I am also enrolled in a classic dance course. I also like to spend my free time with friends.

4. What in life is important to you?

Reading, my family, to experience many things in life, and to expand my knowledge.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

Yes, I do need permission, and yes my parents have rules.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I think it is good when families seeking protection come to Germany, but I think the intake of refugees should be controlled better.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, there are some that are integrating very well, but there are also a few that do not even try.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Depends on the age, some do not want them here, others are ok with it.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Very important.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

Yes I am, because it is a good country.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Disciplined, xenophobic, nice.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

A very special country.

**STUDENT B – 9TH GRADE, WÜRZBURG (REALSCHULE)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
My heroes are my parents.
2. What music do you listen to?  
Russian rap
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I like to play hockey, and I take modern and classic dance classes. I also play the piano. .
4. What in life is important to you?  
To get a good job, and health.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, I do not need permission from my parents, but they do want to know who my partner is.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I believe they should get the same chances that we have, and that they are respected.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, I think that they act nicely.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Nothing specific, they are also just humans.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Most important.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
For me, nationality does not matter.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Secure, cultured, strict.
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
A beautiful country, in which a lot of overweight people live.



**STUDENT C – 9TH GRADE, WÜRZBURG (REALSCHULE)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
My father.
2. What music do you listen to?  
Indian rap.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I like to sleep, go out, eat, draw, read, and go shopping.
4. What in life is important to you?  
Health, family, and a career.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, my parents get along with my boyfriend very well.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I think refugees should be treated the same as Germans, because many of them have a bad past, and they are also humans.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
It depends, there are some that can integrate, and others that cannot.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Depends on the person, but mainly positive.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Extremely important.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
No, I am not German.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Beautiful, free, and clean.
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
A very multicultural country.

**STUDENT D – 9TH GRADE, WÜRZBURG (REALSCHULE)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?

My mother and my sister. They are the most important people to me.

2. What music do you listen to?

Old school American rap.

3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?

I like to immerse myself into American history, and the head of the state. I also go out with friends, play rugby, go to the gym, and listen to music.

4. What in life is important to you?

Fellow humans.

5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?

No, the most important thing for them is my happiness.

6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?

I think it is good that refugees are coming to Germany, because I would also like to be accepted in a new country if there is ever a war in Germany again.

7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?

Yes, I have refugees at my school, and I think they have integrated very well.

8. How is your community reacting to refugees?

Not all act the same, but most of them see it positively.

9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?

Most important.

10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?

I am from Kosovo.

11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?

Strict, rule oriented, borderless.

12. What do you think of Americans/America?

I like Americans, they are friends of the people of Kosovo.

**STUDENT E – 9TH GRADE, WÜRZBURG (REALSCHULE)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
Jordan Belfort (he is rich).
2. What music do you listen to?  
Bosnian and Albanian music, English music, and German rap.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I like to play football (soccer) in a club, and in my spare time I go out with my friends.
4. What in life is important to you?  
Health, family, friends, and money.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, I do not need permission to date, but yes they have a few other rules.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
I think most of them have a relatively good life here, and most of them are very nice.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, I think they integrate very well because they do not stand out.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
There are refugees that try to adapt and make an effort, others do not try.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
No, I am proud to be Bosnian (side note: we do not see ourselves as German but rather as pure Bosnians and Turks).
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Secure, strict, friendly.
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
Partially very narcissistic, but most people are nice and open.

**STUDENT F – 9TH GRADE, WÜRZBURG (REALSCHULE)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
My father and my grandfather.
2. What music do you listen to?  
Turkish rap.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I like to spend time with friends and family. We spend time in town, and at the Shisha bar.
4. What in life is important to you?  
Family, friends, health, and loyal and honest people.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
Yes, my parents have many rules, but I am allowed to have a boyfriend – I just do not want one. It is too early in my opinion.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
The refugees are searching for security, and want a peaceful life.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, I have refugees at my school. First they were very shy and reserved, but now they have integrated very well.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Pretty good, but many of the incidents make them skeptical.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Family is the most important thing in life, and to my friends I am very loyal and honest.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
No, I am proud of being Turkish.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Beautiful, nice, and good chances for the future.
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
A solid country, but some laws are very strange.

**STUDENT G – 9TH GRADE, WÜRZBURG (REALSCHULE)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
Lionel Messie, because he is the best soccer player.
2. What music do you listen to?  
Hip hop.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I like MMA (Mixed Martial Arts) and football (soccer).
4. What in life is important to you?  
The "German beer purity order", and Weißwurst. ;)
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, I talk to my father a lot about my girlfriend.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
There are many who behave very well, but also those that do not.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, I have refugees at my school, and they have integrated well.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Deportations are not necessary.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
It always depends on my mood, sometimes very and sometimes not so much.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Only if they become world champions in football (soccer).
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Structured, clean, and orderly.
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
The best fast-food comes from America. Food is important, so America is great.

**STUDENT H – 9TH GRADE, WÜRZBURG (REALSCHULE)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
Crix (rapper), because he started from the bottom, and now he is where he is.
2. What music do you listen to?  
Hip hop.
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
I like to skate, swim, gamble, go biking, and watch Netflix.
4. What in life is important to you?  
Family, friends, sports, and a career.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
No, I do not need permission to date, but my parents have other rules (curfew).
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
It is tragic that they have to come to Germany because of war.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, at our school there are refugees that integrate well and adapt.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Refugees are treated critically and strong allegations are made towards them.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
No, what's there to be proud of? (Being born somewhere is not an accomplishment).
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Monotone, easy, stuffy.
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
Huge (fat) people.

**STUDENT I – 9TH GRADE, WÜRZBURG (REALSCHULE)**

1. Who are your heroes? Why are they your heroes?  
Donald Trump. ;)
2. What music do you listen to?  
Classical
3. What are your hobbies? What do you do in your spare time?  
Cooking, sleeping, and eating.
4. What in life is important to you?  
Friends and family.
5. Do you need permission from your parents to have a girlfriend/boyfriend? Do your parents have rules?  
It always depends on how I act.
6. How do you feel about refugees coming to Germany?  
They should integrate, and not become criminals.
7. Do you have refugees at your school? If yes, do you feel they are integrating well?  
Yes, they barely stand out.
8. How is your community reacting to refugees?  
Mostly positive, depends on the situation.
9. How important are family, friends, and relationships (boyfriend/girlfriend) to you?  
Very important.
10. Are you proud to be German? Why or why not?  
Yes, most of the time.
11. How would you describe Germany with 3 adjectives?  
Proud, fantastic.
12. What do you think of Americans/America?  
Stupid laws.