

Germany

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Where is your country?

- Germany is a country in Europe.
- 1/3 of Germany is covered in forests and woodlands.
- Germany has a population of over 82 million. This makes it the most densely populated country in Europe.
- Germany is a popular location for tourists because of its beautiful scenery and tons of history.



What are some interesting facts about its history?

- There are over 2100 castles in Germany that were established a long time ago and showcase a lot of the country's heritage.
- Germany is composed of 16 states.
- Each state has its own constitution and are very self-governing in relation to their internal organization.
- Germany was the first country to adopt daylight savings time.
- The tradition of having a Christmas tree in your home originally came from Germany.



What are some interesting facts about its culture?

- Board games are very popular for German families because they are seen as a great way to bond with family and friends.
- German cooks take a lot of pride in their meats and breads that have been such a big part of Germany.
- Everything in Germany is closed on Sunday except for churches.
- Germany is known for their many big and lively music festivals all year round.
- Germany hosts one of the largest music festivals in the world called Rock am Ring.



What do you like best about this country?

- University is free for everyone, even people who don't live in Germany.
- Germany has over 400 zoo's, which is the most for any country to have in Europe.
- Pretzels are one of the most famous German foods.
- Smoking is banned in public's places to prevent smoke pollution and promote healthy living.
- The German national football team is one of the strongest in the world winning 4 world cups.



How does Fishers Junior High benefit from having families from this country as a part of our school and community?

- Fishers Junior High can benefit from students that come from different countries because it allows us to hear more about different cultures and countries firsthand. We get to learn about these different places through peers and can get a better understanding for the culture. Adding onto this, being able to know more about different cultures will create a more diverse and accepting community at FJH which is so important in our school.

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