

# Deutsch Year 5 Unit 6: Hinter den Kulissen (Behind the scenes)

## Key vocabulary

Heimweh	Homesickness
Fragewörter	Interrogatives/ question words
Worum geht es?	What is it about?
das Geheimnis	Mystery, secret
die Modenschau	Fashion show
bequem	Comfortable
lang	Long
kurz	Short
weit/breit	wide
eng	Tight/narrow
tragen	To wear, to carry
er/sie/es trägt	Hes/she/it wears, carries
kariert	Checked
getupft	Spotted
gestreift	Striped
der Laufsteg	Catwalk

## Grammar point— adjectival endings for the indefinite article

When an adjective is used **in front** of the noun it qualifies it adds an ending. These endings need to be learnt. The endings vary slightly depending on whether the adjective is being used together with the **definite** or **indefinite** article and also according to **case**. Compare the following tables.

## Key interrogatives

Was?	What?
Wann?	When?
Warum?	Why?
Wer?	Who?
Wohin?	Where to?
Wie?	How?

### Definite article and adjectives:

	masculine	feminine	neuter	plural
Nominative	<i>der kleine Mann</i>	<i>die kleine Frau</i>	<i>das kleine Kind</i>	<i>die kleinen Kinder</i>
Accusative	<i>den kleinen Mann</i>	<i>die kleine Frau</i>	<i>das kleine Kind</i>	<i>die kleinen Kinder</i>

### Indefinite article and adjectives:

	masculine	feminine	neuter	plural
Nominative	<i>ein langer Rock</i>	<i>eine lange Hose</i>	<i>ein langes Kleid</i>	<i>lange Kleider</i>
Accusative	<i>einen langen Rock</i>	<i>eine lange Hose</i>	<i>ein langes Kleid</i>	<i>lange Kleider</i>

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The ending for all adjectives in the Nominative case for all genders is **-e**.

e.g:

Das Handy ist schwarz und klein.

Das schwarze kleine Handy.

In the Accusative, the ending for adjectives in front of masculine nouns is **-en**. Only the article for the masculine nouns is different (**den**) as well as the adjective ending in front of a masculine noun (**-en**). Give

For example: :

Ich trage **den** kleinen Hund.

Ich trage **den** roten Ball.

The adjective ending in front of nouns in the plural form is **-en** in the Nominative and Accusative.

## Key phrases

Was denkst du?

What do you think?

Was machst du gern?

What do you like to do?



## Cultural Aspect— Die Sendung mit der Maus

The series *Die Sendung mit der Maus* is one of the most famous German children's programmes. It is comparable with 'Blue Peter' in the UK. The series explains to children 'how things work and what they are'. You will find many interesting film clips which you can use at: [www.wdrmaus.de](http://www.wdrmaus.de)