



Unit 7 — Mediation as a Skill

Track E · Klasse 11 · Niveau E (Basisfach / Leistungsfach)

Learning objectives

- *I can mediate a 350-word German feature into 12 English sentences for a named addressee.*
- *I can preserve register, hedge structure, and modal nuance simultaneously.*
- *I can use the full reporting-verb toolkit (12+ verbs) and explicit cultural notes where needed.*

Lead-in

The class has been working on mediation for years. In Klasse 11, mediation becomes a formal Abitur-task category. The shift is from *useful explaining* to *useful explaining with audited register*: who is reading, what register do they speak, what do I translate, what do I keep in German with a brief explanation, and what do I drop entirely?

Vocabulary

- to say
- to explain
- to claim
- to argue
- to assert
- to maintain
- to concede
- to admit
- to deny
- to stress
- to add
- to point out

Key points

- When a German term has no clean English equivalent, use:

Practise

- Match: behaupten → ?, einräumen → ?, betonen → ?, bestreiten → ?, anmerken → ?
- Cultural-note: build a 5-7 word English bracketed explanation for *Mietpreisbremse* and for *Bundesregierung*.
- Build 6 reporting-verb sentences for the source above using 6 different verbs.

Your turn

Full mediation, 12 sentences. Read the source above. Write 12 English sentences for a Canadian housing researcher. Preserve register + use 7 reporting verbs + 2 cultural-note brackets.

Reflect

- I can mediate a 350-word German feature into 12 English sentences.
- I can preserve register and modal nuance.
- I can use 7 reporting verbs and cultural-note brackets.