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## Passport to Europe: German

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### Lesson 4

#### Resources available

- Lesson 4 as pdf file: lesson\_004\_text.pdf
- mp3 file of Block 1: L004\_B1.mp3
- mp3 file of Block 2: L004\_B2.mp3
- mp3 file of Block 3: L004\_B3.mp3
- Collected words of Exercise 4: L004\_RT01\_collected\_words.mp3

**Exercise 4**

1 the bread

das Brot /das bRo:t/

2 Where is the bread?

Wo ist das Brot? /vo: ʔist das bRo:t/

3 in the Nile

im Nil /ʔim 'ni:l/

4 The crocodile is in the Nile.

Das Krokodil ist im Nil. /das kro ko: 'di:l ist ʔim 'ni:l/

5 you (familiar, singular)

du /du:/

6 you are (fam. sg.)

du bist /du: bist/

7 a pig

ein Schwein /ʔain ʃvain /

8 You (fam.) are a pig.

Du bist ein Schwein. /du: bist ʔain ʃvain/

9 the problem

das Problem /das pro'ble:m/

10 a problem

ein Problem /ʔain pro'ble:m/

## Tasks

You now have to get used to following the learning instruction of Lesson 3, without having them repeated for each exercise. Look in Lesson 3 if you have forgotten what to do.

- Practise Exercise 4 with PAPA-Basic (like in Lesson 3).
- Read the Notes for Exercise 4.
- Update your Revision Diary.

## Notes for Exercise 4

das Brot /das bRɔ:t/

im Nil /im 'ni:l/

Note the different pronunciation of the Egyptian river:

German "Nil" /ni:l/ Pronounced like the English name "Neill"

English "Nile" /na:il/

du /du:/ = "you" when you are speaking to one child or one good friend. This is called "the familiar form singular", the du-form. "familiar singular" is sometimes abbreviated to "fam.sg." For several children German and for talking to strangers, German has different forms, the "familiar plural" and the "polite form" respectively. For the time being we use only the familiar form. Do not use it when the Bishop or President comes for tea. And do not suggest that he resembles a pig, dog, camel or crocodile, even if he does, unless his name is Gaddafi and you are wearing full body armour.

Du bist ein Schwein.

Observe the glottal stop in "bist ein" /bist ʔain/.

Correct: /bist ʔain/

Wrong: /bis tain/

"das Problem" /das pro'ble:m/

In German you stress the last syllable, in English the first syllable. The /e:/ in "blem" is long.

English "problem" /'prɒbləm

German "Problem" /pro'ble:m/

## **Final reminder**

If you have followed the instructions given above and in Lesson 3,

- you have now done all due revisions,
- you have mastered Exercise 4 in writing (PAPA-Basic)
- and in speaking (LASPEX-Basic),
- and you have updated your Revision Diary.

Listen to the Collected Words as often as you like.

You will do R1 of Exercise 4 (after 15 minues), R2 (after 60 minutes) and R3 (last thing tonight).

You can now turn to the next exercise, where you will learn more easy German words, more about German pronunciation, and you will get a first glimpse of PAPA-Preferred.

## **End of Lesson 4**