

How do German Cardinal Numbers 20-100 Work?

Worksheet

German numbers 20–100 are built from tens (zwanzig, dreißig, vierzig, fünfzig, sechzig, siebzig, achtzig, neunzig, hundert) and ones. Mixed numbers use 'und' (and): fünfundvierzig (45) = fünf (5) + und + vierzig (40).

Questions

1. How do you say 73 in German?

- A) dreiundsiebzig
- B) siebenundsiebzig
- C) siebzig
- D) siebenundneunzig

2. What is 40 in German?

- A) viertzig
- B) vierzig
- C) vierzehn
- D) vierzig

3. How do you write 88 in German?

- A) achtundachtzig
- B) achtzigunachtzig
- C) achtzig
- D) achtundachtzig

4. What pattern do German numbers 21–99 follow?

- A) tens + und + ones
- B) ones + und + tens
- C) tens + ones
- D) ones + tens

5. How do you say 35 in German?

6. Write 67 in German.

7. How is 100 written in German?

8. Define: What is 20 in German?

9. Define: What is 50 in German?

10. Define: What is 30 in German?

Answer Key

1. A) dreiundsiebzig — $73 = 70 + 3 = \text{siebzig} + \text{drei} = \text{dreiundsiebzig}$ (drei + und + siebzig).
2. B) vierzig — 40 is 'vierzig' (vier + zig). Note the spelling: not 'viertzig'.
3. A) achtundachtzig — $88 = 80 + 8 = \text{achtzig} + \text{acht} = \text{achtundachtzig}$.
4. B) ones + und + tens — German inverts English order: ones come first in speech/writing, then 'und', then tens. Example: $25 = \text{fünfundzwanzig}$ (5 and 20).
5. $35 = 30 + 5 = \text{dreißig} + \text{fünf}$. In German: fünfunddreißig (note 'und' between fünf and dreißig). Example: Das Buch kostet fünfunddreißig Euro.
6. $67 = 60 + 7 = \text{sechzig} + \text{sieben}$. In German: siebenundsechzig . Example: Meine Großmutter ist siebenundsechzig Jahre alt.
7. 100 is 'hundert' in German. Example: Das Geschenk kostet hundert Euro.
8. zwanzig
9. fünfzig
10. dreißig

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