

German Visa Interview — Prep Sheet

30+ real questions with how-to-answer notes. Tuned for Islamabad, Karachi, Delhi & Dhaka.

A. Your programme / Ausbildung

- 1 Why did you choose this university / this Ausbildung? (Be specific and personal.)
- 2 Why this city and this employer/institution?
- 3 What does the course/training involve? Show you actually understand it.
- 4 Why Germany and not the UK/Canada/Australia?
- 5 What is the dual system? (Ausbildung applicants — know this cold.)
- 6 What are your career plans after finishing?

B. Finances

- 1 How will you fund your studies/training?
- 2 Who is your sponsor and what do they do?
- 3 How much is the blocked account and what covers your living costs?
- 4 (Ausbildung) What is your training salary and how does it cover you?
- 5 Do you have any scholarships or loans?

C. Intentions & ties

- 1 Do you intend to return home after your studies? (Answer honestly and consistently.)
- 2 Do you have family in Germany?
- 3 Have you applied for visas elsewhere?
- 4 What will you do if your visa is refused?
- 5 How is your German? (Expect a few questions in German.)

How to answer well

- Be consistent with your written application — mismatches cause refusals.
- Be specific: name your course/employer, city, and concrete reasons.
- Be honest about finances and plans. Don't memorise robotic scripts.
- Practise a few answers in German if your route needs German.

Red flags to avoid

- Vague reasons ("Germany is good for study") with no specifics.
- Finances that don't add up or an unclear sponsor.
- Answers that contradict your documents.
- Not knowing basic facts about your own programme.