

# AN AMERICAN IN AUSTRIA



CODE 189

Fertigkeit	Hören
Relevante(r) Deskriptor(en)	<b>Deskriptor 1:</b> Kann Gesprächen über vertraute Themen die Hauptpunkte entnehmen, wenn Standardsprache verwendet und auch deutlich gesprochen wird. (B1)
Themenbereich(e)	Interkulturelle und landeskundliche Aspekte
Zeitbedarf	12 Minuten (Vorbereitung, zweimaliges Vorspielen, Bearbeitung)
Länge des Hörtexts	2:16 Minuten
Material- und Medienbedarf	Abspielmöglichkeit für Hörtext Schreibmaterial
Besondere Bemerkungen, Hinweise zur Durchführung	Geben Sie den Kindern zwei Minuten Vorbereitungszeit. Zwischen dem ersten und zweiten Vorspielen machen Sie eine Pause von einer Minute.  Die Nachbearbeitungszeit beträgt vier Minuten.
Quelle	---

# UNTERLAGE FÜR DIE LEHRKRAFT



## TAPE SCRIPT

- Interviewer: So, Tim, would you say that people in the USA know a lot about Austria?
- Tim: No, I don't think so. I think most people confuse Austria with Germany, or they think there are a lot of kangaroos hopping around ...
- Interviewer: When you came to Austria what were your first impressions of this country?
- Tim: When I first came to Austria two years ago, I first came to Vienna, and to me it was a very beautiful city. When we got there the snow had just fallen and it was really beautiful to look at.
- Interviewer: Have you got something like a favourite place in Vienna?
- Tim: Well, I really like walking down the Ring, and I like the Burggarten, too.
- Interviewer: You have been living and working here for eight months. Is life in Austria very different to life in the US?
- Tim: I think so. I think the tradition plays a much larger role here, and I find the school systems are rather different, too.
- Interviewer: What are the differences when you think of schools?
- Tim: Well, Austrian students have to specialise much earlier than American students, and also as far as schools go, I think that Austrian students are much better behaved than Americans!
- Interviewer: Interesting! You mentioned traditions. Which traditions do you have in mind?
- Tim: Well, like when I walk down the streets sometimes I see Austrian men in Lederhosen and Austrian women in Dirndls. You see men with feathers in their hats, it's like walking into the past in some places.
- Interviewer: Do you enjoy life in Austria?
- Tim: In general, yes. It's, I think things are more relaxed here than in America, people know how to slow down, they know when to work and when to have fun ...
- Interviewer: So have you seen lots of Austria?
- Tim: I live in Vienna so naturally I know more about this city but I've been to Graz and Salzburg and I've been in the country, so I know about Austria but mostly Vienna.
- Interviewer: When you think back there must have been strange things, things you might even want to criticise?
- Tim: When I first came here I had to go to an office and tell someone in the government where I was living, and when I leave I know that I will have to go there again and tell them when I'm leaving. And this is something that is just not done in America. We can move wherever we want to without having to tell the police or the government or anyone.
- Interviewer: Thanks a lot for talking to us, Tim.



## AN AMERICAN IN AUSTRIA

This is an interview with Tim, an American student. He tells us how he feels about life in Austria.

**Read the sentences below. Then listen and tick (✓) the correct answers.**

You will hear the interview twice. After listening, you have 4 minutes to finish.

- (1) American people often mix up Austria with Germany or Australia.
- (2) It was winter when Tim came to Austria the first time.
- (3) Traditions play an important role in the USA and in Austria.
- (4) The school systems in the USA and Austria are quite different.
- (5) There is more discipline in American schools.
- (6) Tim says people in Austria sometimes dress very traditionally.
- (7) Life in Austria is not so fast and less hectic.
- (8) Tim has not seen places in Austria outside Vienna.
- (9) Tim finds it strange that in Austria you have to tell the police where you live.

# LÖSUNG



- (1) American people often mix up Austria with Germany or Australia.
- (2) It was winter when Tim came to Austria the first time.
- (3) Traditions play an important role in the USA and in Austria.
- (4) The school systems in the USA and Austria are quite different.
- (5) There is more discipline in American schools.
- (6) Tim says people in Austria sometimes dress very traditionally.
- (7) Life in Austria is not so fast and less hectic.
- (8) Tim has not seen places in Austria outside Vienna.
- (9) Tim finds it strange that in Austria you have to tell the police where you live.