



GRMN 10100 1, GRMN 10100 1 - Elementary German For Beginners-1 - Instructor(s): Matthew Stahlman

Project Title: **College Course Feedback - Autumn 2023**

Number Enrolled: **8**

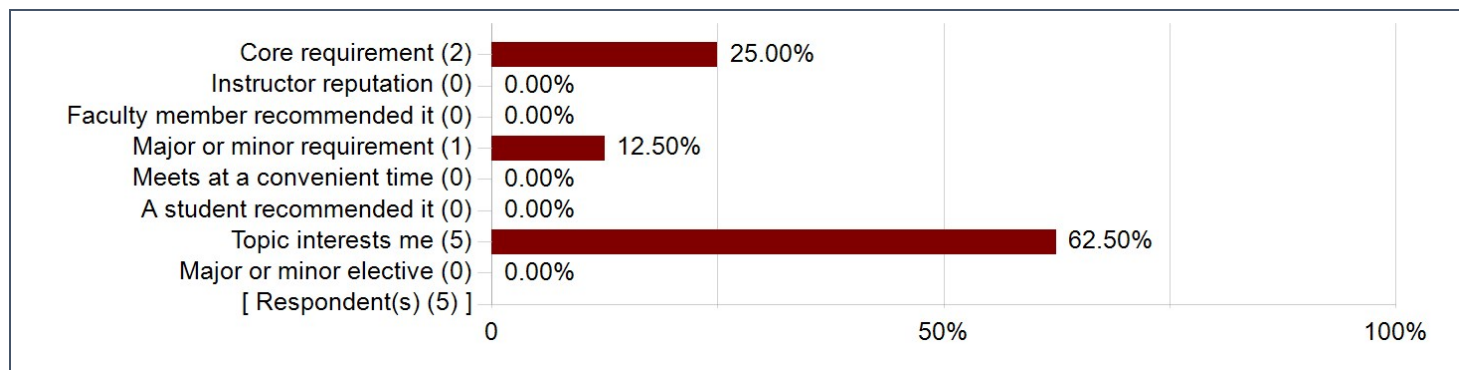
Number of Responses: **5**

Report Comments

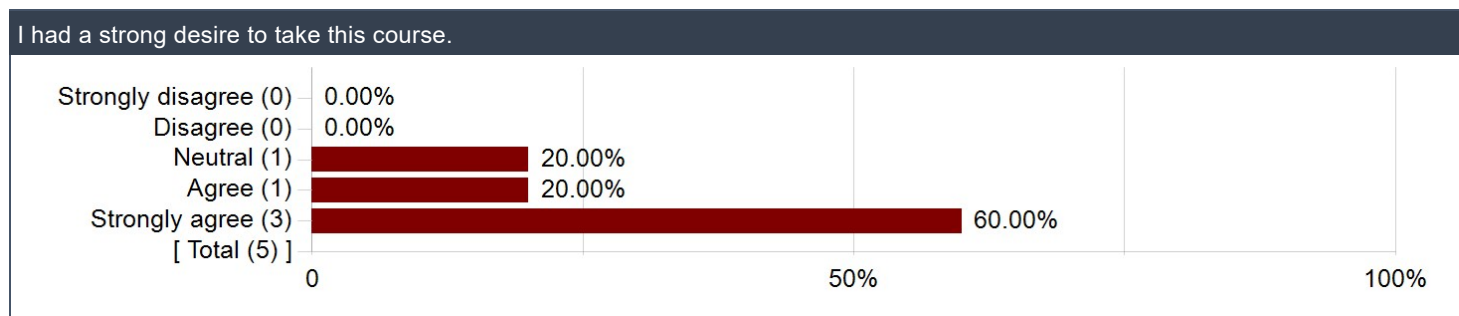
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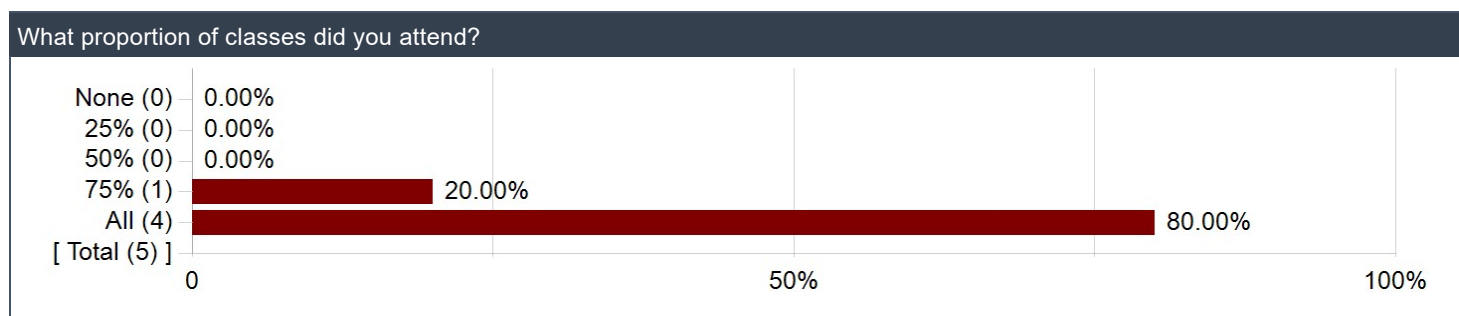
Why did you choose to take this course? (Select all that apply)



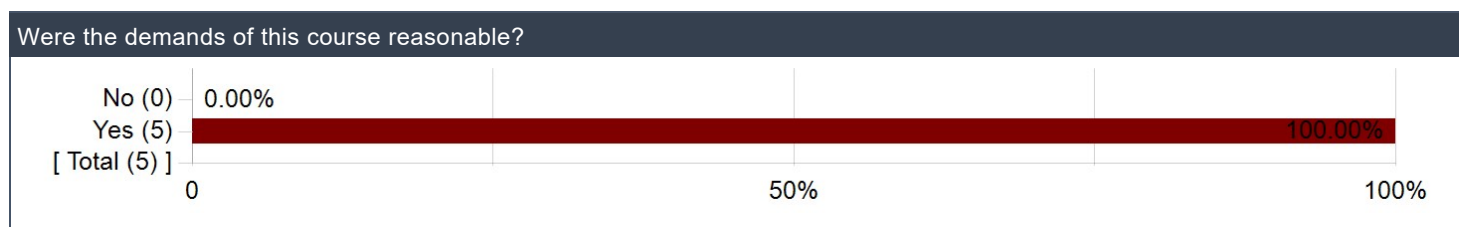
I had a strong desire to take this course.



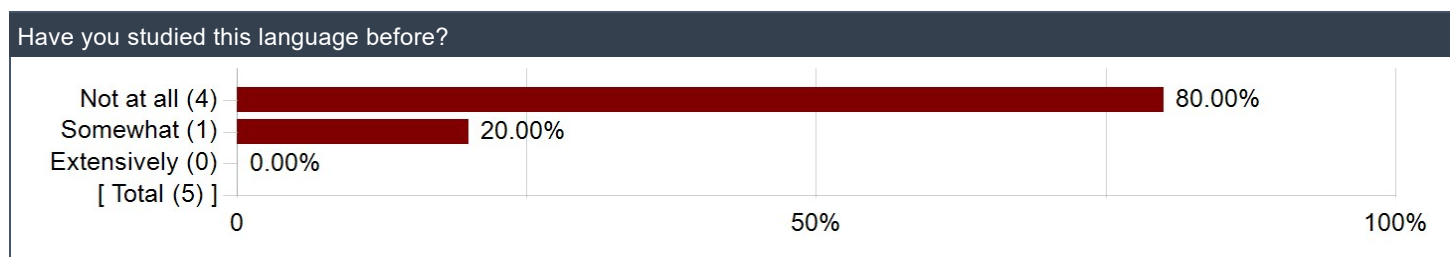
What proportion of classes did you attend?



Were the demands of this course reasonable?



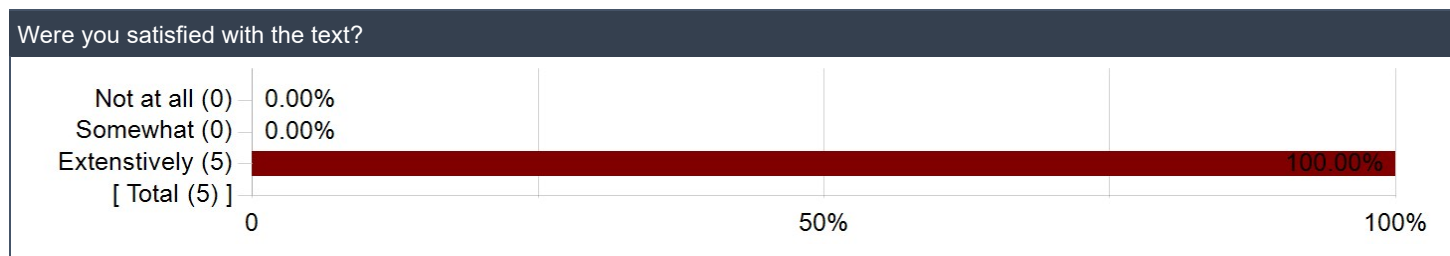
Have you studied this language before?



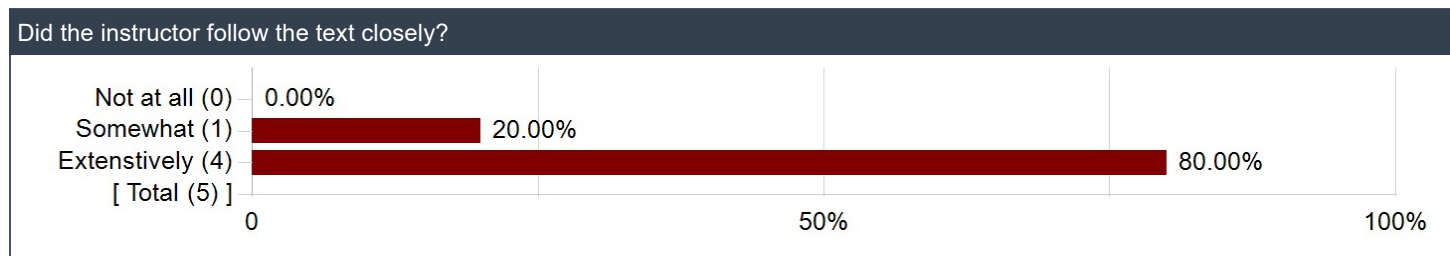
Rate the extent to which different aspects of the language were stressed:

	Mean	Median	Not At All	A Little	Some	A Lot	Extremely	Vigorously
Speaking	4.00	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	40.00%	0.00%	20.00%
Spelling	4.00	4.00	0.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%	20.00%
Reading	4.40	4.00	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	40.00%	20.00%	20.00%
Writing	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	40.00%	20.00%
Grammar	5.20	6.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	0.00%	60.00%
Vocabulary	4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	40.00%	40.00%	20.00%

Were you satisfied with the text?



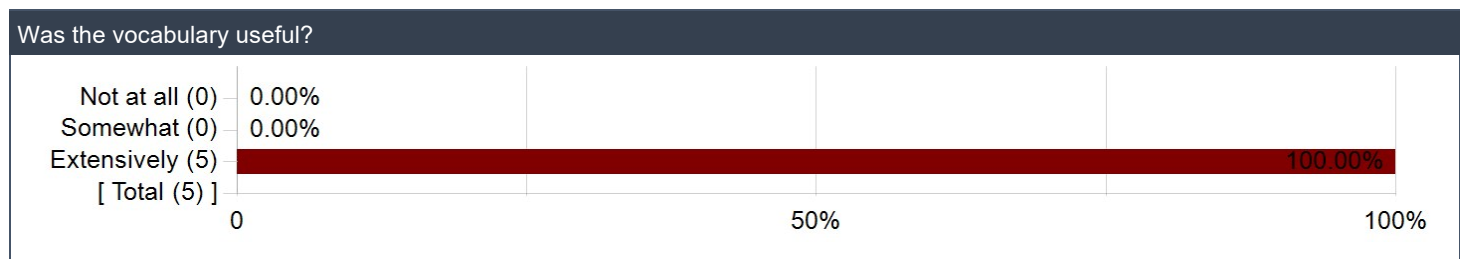
Did the instructor follow the text closely?



Explain:

Comments
Matthew created PowerPoints for each class session. He followed each slide and explained to us extensively what each slide was supposed to teach us.
The professor had us do practice from a textbook and the in class work was related, and more fun interactive exercises

Was the vocabulary useful?

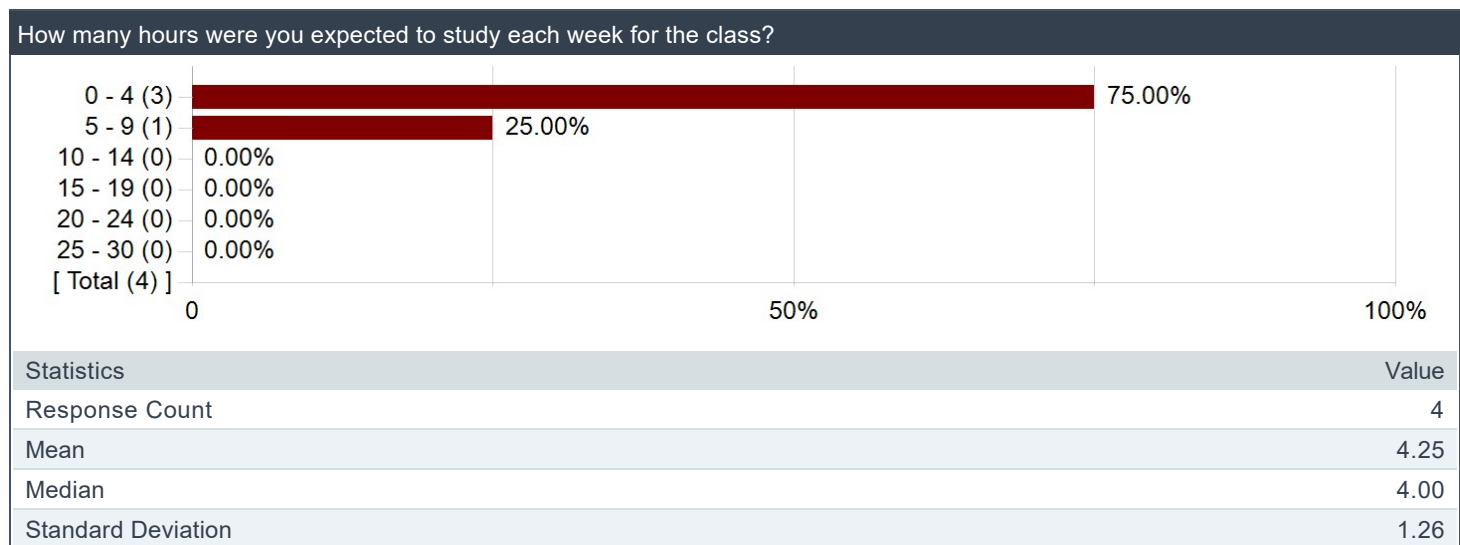


Why?

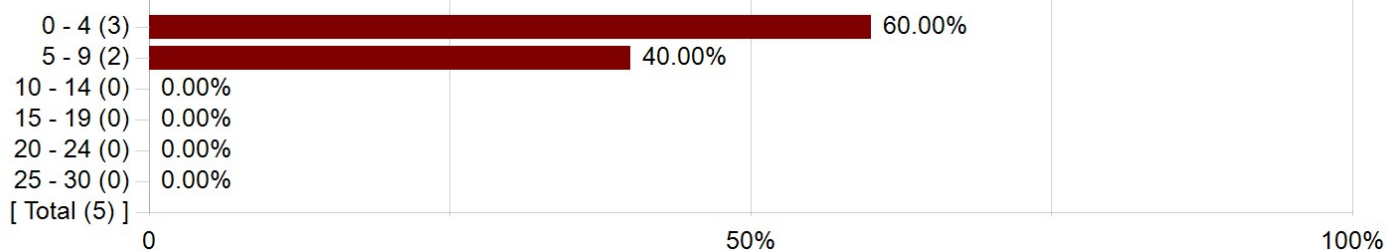
Comments
The vocabulary was picked specifically so that we could have basic conversations when meeting new people in German. It was helpful because it allowed us to communicate with each other on a basic level of understanding.
Building a foundation is helpful to start building sentences and having conversations

Describe the format of the class (lecture, drills, etc.). Was this format productive? Please be specific.

Comments
We would follow the PowerPoint once class started. Matthew would start off by giving a run down of what the whole class will be focusing on for that giving class session. We will usually go over grammar or vocabulary that Matthew thought would be important to go over. Then towards the end of class we would do some type of reading or speaking activity. Sometimes he would have the students stand up with pieces of paper that had instructions on them on how to ask and answer a specific question regarding basic conversation. These drills were helpful because it forced us to practice our pronunciation and comfortability with the language.
Lots of collaboration and speaking in class which helped us with pronunciation and confidence when speaking
Usually it was a mix of lectures about language features plus practice.
I felt like it would have been useful to have more explicit lectures on how to pronounce certain sounds; like being told where our tongues should go, how to position our lips, etc.

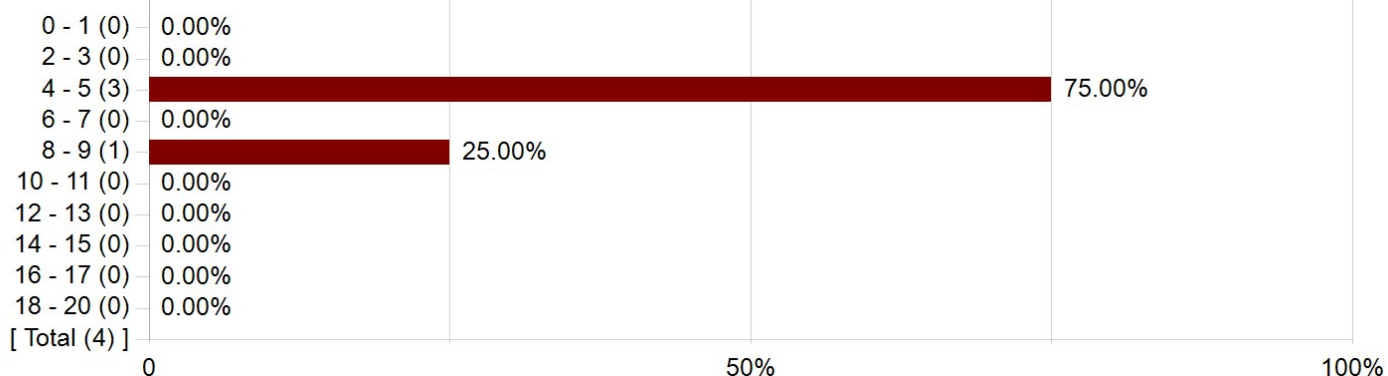


How many hours did you spend?



Statistics	Value
Response Count	5
Mean	4.20
Median	3.00
Standard Deviation	1.64

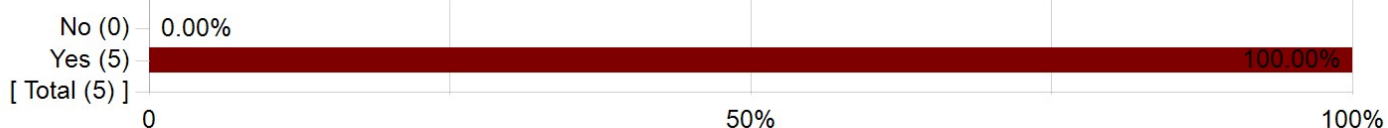
How many written quizzes were given?



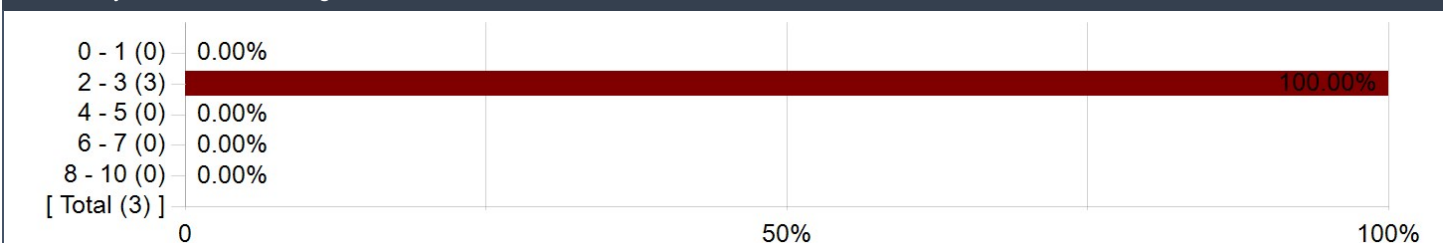
Statistics	Value
Response Count	4
Mean	5.25
Median	4.50
Standard Deviation	1.89

Were there daily assignments? (i.e., journals)?

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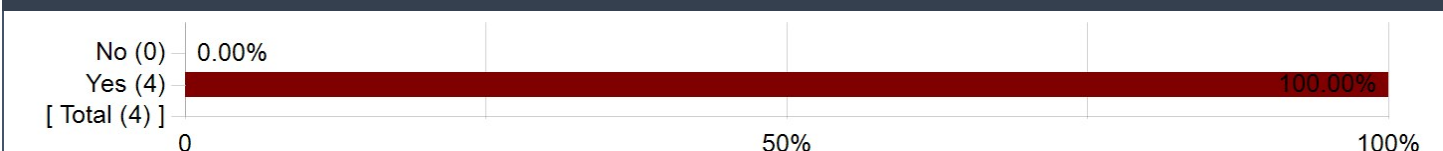
How many oral exams were given?



Statistics	Value
Response Count	3
Mean	2.00
Median	2.00
Standard Deviation	0.00

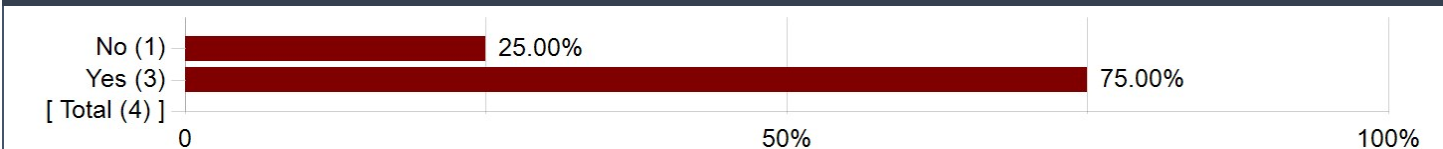
Were the oral exams fair?

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Were the oral exams challenging?

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Why? Please be specific.

Comments

Listening to a different language is hard, but the professor talks slowly and clearly so they are not bad to understand

If there were required outside activities (i.e. foreign films or SCOLA), describe your experience.

Comments

The only required outside activity we had to do was memorize and recite a piece of text of our choosing. Coupled with the memorization aspect of the activity, the pronunciation of the song was difficult to get right. Besides that, listening over and over again to the song was actually relaxing and fun (mainly because I enjoy the song way too much).

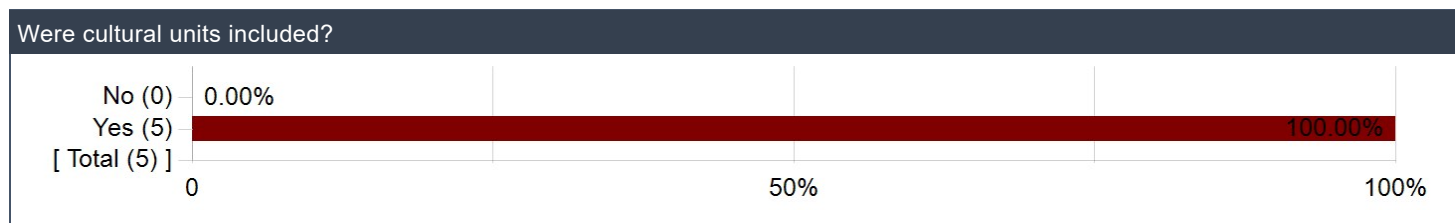
Was your instructor organized?

Mean	Median	Very Unorganized	Somewhat Unorganized	Fairly Organized	Somewhat Organized	Very Organized
4.80	5.00	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	20.00%	80.00%

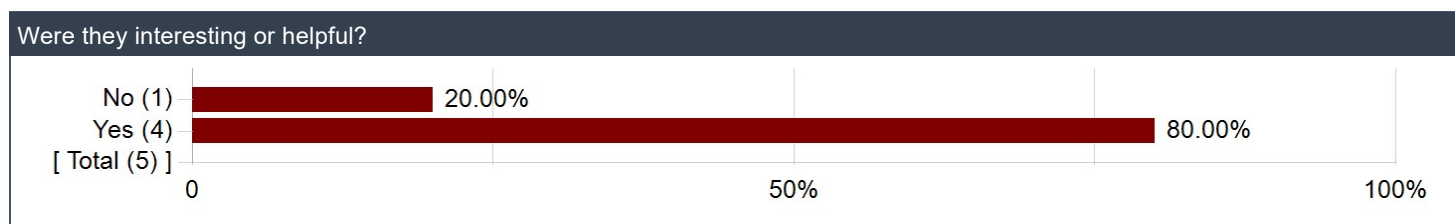
Explain

Comments
Matthew explained the purpose of each class and provided activities for all of us to do. He always came to class with a PowerPoint ready and stacks of papers that had activities on them for us to do. Sometimes he would forget to get the right amount of copies, but that rarely happened.
The professor was always organized and always had a plan for the day

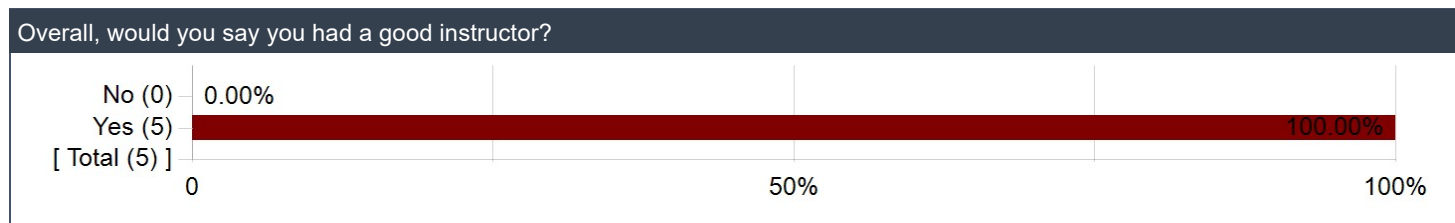
Were cultural units included?



Were they interesting or helpful?



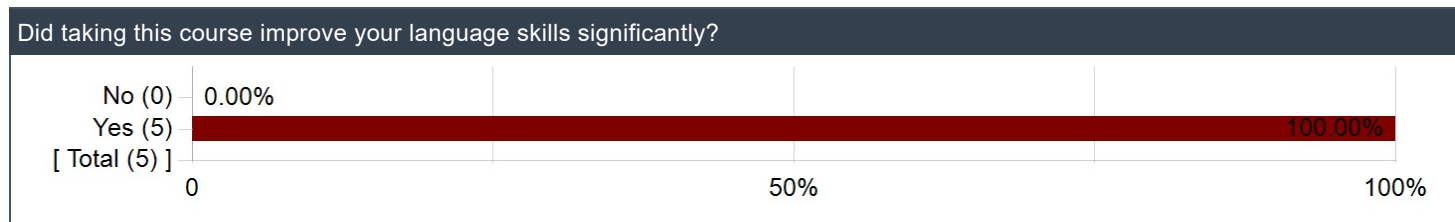
Overall, would you say you had a good instructor?



Why?

Comments
Matthew was nice, caring, enthusiastic, and fun. For someone who's interesting in learning German, it was refreshing to see an expert speaker still be so excited to teach the language.
I like!

Did taking this course improve your language skills significantly?



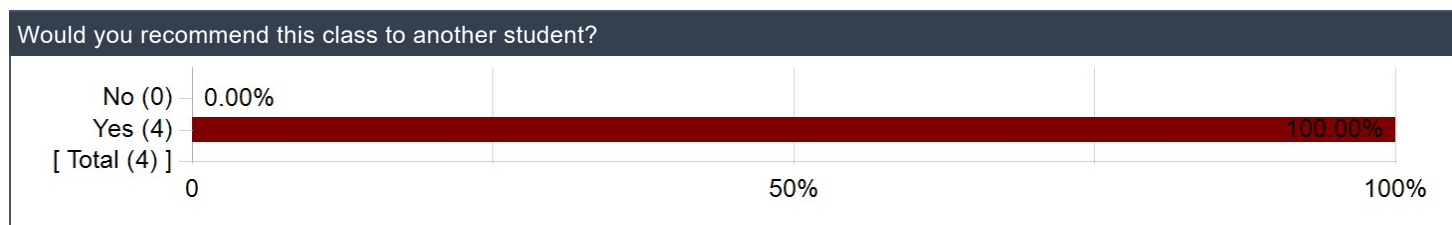
In what way?

Comments
My grammar, vocabulary, pronunciation, and memorization skills all improved because of this course. I would say this first quarter taught be a lot in such a small amount of time.
I am able to speak and have a conversation

How would you improve this course?

Comments
Der/Der/Das is a little confusing to understand sometimes. A more thorough explanation of how to use the website could be helpful.

Would you recommend this class to another student?



Why?

Comments
If they're interested in learning German and want a little bit of a challenge, then this class is great. For absolute beginners, this class is not too easy, but the amount of knowledge that you will gain in a small amount of time is worth it.