

Schweizerdeutsch Basics

Grüezi hoi! saluti! -**Hello**

Hoi - **Hi**

Guet Morge - **Good morning**

Problems

bitte sage si mir wo.....isch? Can you please tell me where.....is?

Bahnhof train station **Taxi Stand** taxi station **Bank** Bank **PTT** post office (pronounced="pay-tay-tay")

Hotel " " the " " hotel **Chile** church

i bi velore/mir sind verlore I/we am/are lost!!

ich (i) (y) ha mi Portmonnaie verlore! I lost my wallet! (i,y=like english "e")

ich föhl mi schlächt I feel sick/not well/upset

Days Mentig, Tsischtig, Mittwuch, Donnschtig, Fritig, Samschtig, Sunntig

Months Januar, Februar, Merz, April, Mai, Juni, Juli, Auguscht, Septämber, Oktober, Novämber
Dezämber

Colors Red - **Rot**. Blue - **blau**. Black - **schwartz**. Green - **gruen**. White - **Weiss** - "vice". Yellow - **gal**.
Purple - **violat**. Orange - **orange** "oransh". Pink - **rosa**. Gray - **grau**.

Travel

Bus Reiscar, travel bus- Kälberwaage **Train** Zug **Plane** Flugzüg

Duration Wie lang gahts bis ... (How long does it take to...)

Directions gerad uus-**straight ahead** links-**left** rächts-**right** vore- **ahead, in front** hintere- **back, in the back**

Money & Shopping **Gäld / Bargäld** cash, money.

Was koschtet das? how much is this/that?

Z'Tüür! (Zu Teuer) Too expensive! (might be very offensive!)

Het's no Billigeres? Do you have something cheaper?

Chann i mit Kreditkarte zahle? Can I use my Credit Card?

Trinkgäld (gäh) Tip (Tipping)

Ich (i) nimm das I'll take/buy it (i pronounced like "e" in english)

I möcht öppis anders I would like something else.

Numbers

1, eins 2 zwai 3 drü 4 vier 5 fünf 6 sächs 7 sebe,8 acht 9 nün 10 zehn

20 zwänzg 30 drissg 40 vierzg 50 füfzg 60 sächzg 70 sibezg 80 achtzg 90 nünzg 100 hundert

Café Talk

A cup of tea with milk and sugar Eine tasse tee mit milch und zucker **Black tea** Schwarzer Tee

Coffee with milk Kaffee mit milch **A small beer** Ein kleines Glas Bier **A large beer** Ein großes Glas Bier

Useful German Words & Phrases

You'll probably find that quite a few people speak some English but it is only polite to know a few basic German words. However, a word of warning - the Swiss actually speak a rather peculiar dialect called 'Schwyzerduitsch' (Swiss German) which even to native German speakers does sometimes seem to have little resemblance with German. Hence, while they'll understand you, you might not understand them!!

Basics:

Gruezi	Hello, good day, but also used at goodbye
Guten Morgan	Good morning
Guten Tag	Good day
Hallo	Hello
Auf Weidersehen	Good bye
Danke	Thank you
Bitte	Please
Ja	Yes
Nein	No
Entschuldigung	Sorry, excuse me
Wo ist die Toilette, bitte	Where is the toilet, please
Eine Tasse Kaffee/Tee, bitte	A cup of coffee/tea, please
Ein (grosses) Bier/Cola, bitte	A (large) beer/coke, please
zwei, drei, vier, fünf,	2,3,4,5,
Weiviel kostet das?	How much is it? (literally, what does it cost?)
Ich verstehe nicht	I don't understand
Sprechen Sie English?	Do you speak English?
Wir koome ich nach Saas Grund?	How do I get to Saas Grund?

Signs / words you might come across

Seilbahn/Kabinenbahn	cable car
Sessellift	chairlift
Skigebiet	skiing area
Hütte	hut
Bach	creek, stream, brook
Brücke	bridge
Dorf/Dörfli	village
Wanderweg	walking path
Berg	mountain
Gipfel	summit
Gletcher	glacier
Tal	valley
Wald	forest
Alm	alpine pasture
Murmeltier	marmot
Wasserkraft	hydroelectricity
Stausee	dam
Zimmer frei	vacancies(rooms)
Pension	guest house
Bäckerei	bakery
Durchgung verboten	no entry (literally, entry forbidden)
Umleitung	diversion
Suonen/Wasserleitung	irrigation channel