



SACHSEN-ANHALT

Ministerium für Bildung

SCHRIFTLICHE ABITURPRÜFUNG 2026

ENGLISCH
(ERHÖHTES ANFORDERUNGSNIVEAU)

Prüfungsaufgaben **Prüfungsteile 2 und 3**

Bearbeitungszeit: 285 Minuten

Wählen Sie aus dem Prüfungsteil 2 ein Thema zur Bearbeitung aus und kreuzen Sie dieses an. Bestätigen Sie Ihre Entscheidung mit Ihrer Unterschrift.

Der Prüfungsteil 3 ist verpflichtend zu bearbeiten.

Prüfungsteil 2: Schreiben mit integriertem Leseverstehen

Thema A: To silence cancel culture, our craven elite needs only to change its tune ☐

Thema B: Holding Pattern ☐

Prüfungsteil 3: Sprachmittlung

„Ein Mensch ist erst vergessen, wenn sein Name vergessen wird“

Unterschrift des Prüflings:

Prüfungsteil 2: Schreiben mit integriertem Leseverstehen

Thema A: To silence cancel culture, our craven elite needs only to change its tune

by Matthew Syed

Syed, M. (2023). To silence cancel culture, our craven elite needs only to change its tune. *The Sunday Times*. 17 September 2023.

**Thema A: To silence cancel culture, our craven elite needs only to change its
tune**

Assignments

1. Outline the information on the two cases of cancel culture. (20 %)
2. Analyse how the author conveys his view on cancel culture. Focus on communicative strategies and use of language. (40 %)
3. Choose **one** of the following tasks: (40 %)
 - 3.1 Taking the article as a starting point, assess to what extent silencing artistic expression has consequences for society.

or

- 3.2 You are participating in the “European Youth Event”, a conference organised by the European Parliament, and have been asked to deliver a speech on social media and the future of democracy.

Write a speech, commenting on the notion that social media have a negative effect on democratic processes.

Thema B: Holding Pattern

by Jenny Xie

Xie, J. (2023). *Holding Pattern*. New York: Riverhead Books. pp. 1-5.

Thema B: Holding Pattern

Assignments

1. Outline the information on Marissa Cheng and the changes in her life. (20 %)
2. Analyze how the narrator's emotional state is conveyed. Focus on narrative techniques and use of language. (40 %)
3. Choose **one** of the following tasks: (40 %)
- 3.1 Taking Kathleen's and her mother's situation as a starting point, assess to what extent socio-economic status plays a role in the integration of immigrants into U.S. society.

or

- 3.2 *The New York Times* has invited young people to submit contributions to their annual writing contest, this year's topic being "The American Dream Revisited". Participants have been given the following statement by former Vice President Kamala Harris from 2017, when she was a Democratic senator representing the state of California: "[...] the American dream belongs to all of us, not just the wealthy or powerful."

Write an article for the contest, discussing whether Harris' claim holds true today.

Prüfungsteil 3: Sprachmittlung

Assignment

While doing research on ways to commemorate victims of crimes against humanity, your American friend came across the photo of a sidewalk in Germany, which you can see on the right. Your friend would like to know more about the story behind it.

Based on the interview, write an email to your friend, outlining the information on Gunter Demnig's project and responses to criticism of the project.

„Ein Mensch ist erst vergessen, wenn sein Name vergessen wird“

von Laura Dahmer

Dahmer, L. (2023, 9. November). „Ein Mensch ist erst vergessen, wenn sein Name vergessen wird“. *Tagesspiegel*.