

Unit 3: Choosing a hotel

Student A

You are a tourist information agent. A tourist wants information about hotels in Berlin. Look at these three hotel descriptions and the notes you have made about them and answer his / her questions.

Hotel Unter den Linden



This is the cheapest hotel in the area around Unter den Linden street, the most attractive area of Berlin, where many historic buildings and museums are located. It was one of the best hotels in the city but now the furniture is worn and the fittings are unreliable.

*the hotel car park has limited space and is often full
some complaints about unfriendly service*

DeragHotel Grosser Kurfürst



Opened in 1997, this is a middle-range hotel with modern facilities in a quiet location. It specialises in additional services for tourists. For example, the price of a room includes free public transport or bicycle hire.

*30 minutes by public transport from city centre
hotel is next to an underground station*

Hotel am Anhalter Bahnhof



This small and friendly hotel is situated in an old apartment block. Its low prices only apply to rooms without bathrooms. You pay more for rooms with a bath. The more expensive rooms face onto a courtyard and so are quieter, while the cheaper rooms overlook a busy street.

*20 minutes from city centre
artistic, alternative area of Berlin – nightclubs, cinemas, theatres and galleries
public car park near hotel*

Price categories for a standard double room per night, including breakfast, tax and service:

- € under €100
- €€ €100–€150
- €€€ €150–€200
- €€€€ €200–€250
- €€€€€ more than €250



Student B

You and three friends have just arrived in Berlin. You haven't booked a hotel room yet. You go to the tourist information centre to ask for recommendations about places to stay.

You are looking for a hotel which:

- is near Berlin's most well-known sights because you only have two days to visit Berlin
- is cheap (you don't have much money)
- has parking facilities (you are travelling by car)
- has rooms with a bathroom or shower
- is quiet (the last hotel you stayed in was big and noisy and you didn't sleep well)
- is modern and clean