

## GEA3 Preparation

While your main work on GEA3 will focus on the Lent Term, it is worth beginning to explore the material, in particular for those topics that will have lectures in the Michaelmas Term. You can use English translations initially, but of course it will be important to engage with the German originals as your comprehension skills develop. Once you are in Cambridge and have access to online resources on the Moodle system, you will be able to consult a full reading list.

The following topics will have lectures in Michaelmas Term:

### History

- A useful introduction to the relevant period is: Mary Fulbrook, *A Concise History of Germany* (Cambridge: CUP), Chapter 5.

### Modern Literature 1: Heine

- Heinrich Heine, *Selected Poems* (German texts will be provided in a pdf). Various English translations are available online.

### Modern Literature 2: Kafka

- Franz Kafka, *Die Verwandlung* (*Metamorphosis/The Transformation*). For a bilingual edition, with free access, see: <https://www.doppeltext.com/en/bilingual-books/132/kafka-die-verwandlung/german-english>

### Film: Akin

- Fatih Akin, *Auf der anderen Seite* (literally 'On the Other Side', but known in English as *The Edge of Heaven* – on DVD, also available on streaming sites such as Amazon Prime and Mubi)

### Thought: Marx/Engels

- Karl Marx und Friedrich Engels, *Das kommunistische Manifest* (*The Communist Manifesto – A Modern Edition* (London: Verso: 2012), also available in various translations online.)

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### Medieval Literature

- *Herzog Ernst* (Murdoch, Brian, trans. *Three political tales from medieval Germany: Duke Ernst, Henry of Kempten, Reynard the fox* (Rochester, NY: Camden House, 2024), "Duke Ernst", pp. 1-94. Also online at: <https://www.cambridge.org/core/books/three-political-tales-from-medieval-germany/32BD35F0A50A4C033EF69142948FCA66>)

### Linguistics

- Duden. *Die deutsche Rechtschreibung*. 28th edition (2020). The Duden website at <http://www.duden.de> is an invaluable resource. The site can also be used as an online dictionary, although it should be noted that in this mode it assembles information from all the dictionaries in the Duden 'family', so that what you see online is not a reproduction of any one print dictionary entry.