

## **Latin as key to the German language**

**It is beneficial to learn Latin – not only for Germans but also for learners of German as a foreign language.**

There are several reasons for this:

1. The Latin lesson teaches systematical grammar rules enabling the student to understand the structure of the German language more easily. You also learn the necessary vocabulary to speak about the German language system.
2. Translation exercises train the students' abilities to use the formal German language. The pronunciation skills can be improved steadily and the range of vocabulary can grow significantly, because students have to find equivalent structures, lexical items as well as idiomatic expressions in German. Consequently, the student acquires terms and expressions of the formal German language that are rarely used in the everyday tongue.
3. During translation exercises the teachers work very carefully and slowly with the students. They take their time to explore German language phenomena while checking common mistakes as well as correcting them.

This is why Latin helps the student to learn excellent German.