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Moving to Berlin, I only speak English.

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✓ Accepted answer

Berlin — you can survive with English (most international city). But for bureaucracy, landlords, doctors — German helps enormously. **Integrationskurs** — 600-900 hours, heavily subsidized (often free). Online: Goethe-Institut, DW Learn German. Apps: Duolingo, Babbel.

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