Step 1: Learn to count in German from 1 to 10.

All you have to do here is memorize. That's why I say print this lesson out.

You'll also need to know these for when you want to say numbers like 23, 55, 89. Don't worry, we'll get to that in Step 4.

1 to 10 in German			
Number	English	German	
1	zero	Null	
2	one	eins	
3	two	zwei	
4	three	drei	
5	four	vier	
6	five	fünf	
7	six	sechs	
8	seven	sieben	

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9	eight	acht
9	nine	neun
10	ten	zehn

Did you go through them? Did you repeat and memorize them?

Good. Now, the next step...

Step 2: Learn the Numbers 11 to 20.

You'll get to use the numbers in **Step 1** again. However, for 11 to 19, these numbers are unique. And so, they need memorization.

Again, print or take some time to write these out and drill them.

Number	German	English
11	elf	eleven
12	zwölf	twelve
13	dreizehn	thirteen
14	vierzehn	fourteen

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15	fünfzehn	fifteen
16	sechzehn	sixteen
17	siebzehn	seventeen
18	achtzehn	eighteen
19	neunzehn	nineteen
20	zwanzig	twenty

Let's go to the next step.

Step 3: Learning the 10s, 20s, 30... to 100.

Now, counting to 100 in German is easy. But, we're going to learn the tens first.

Why? It'll help you learn the in-between numbers later. To say the tens (like, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90) you need to know this rule.

- Rule: Refer to the numbers you learned in Step 1 from 1-9 then add
 "zig"
 - Told you you'll need to use those again!
- So, you know that vier is 4, right?.

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• So, vier+zig = vierzig = 40.

It's that easy. Take a look below and compare it with **Step 1.** All you're doing is taking numbers from **Step 1** and adding "**zig**."

The only special one is one hundred, which is ein-hundert.

20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100 in German		
Number	German	English
20	zwanzig	twenty
30	dreissig/dreißig	thirty
40	vierzig	fourty
50	fünfzig	fifty
60	sechszig	sixy
70	siebzig	seventy
80	achtzig	eighty
90	neunzig	ninety
100	ein-hundert	one hundred

Step 4: Learning in between numbers like 21, 45, 78, 99

You need to know this second rule.

- Rule
- A: Start with the numbers you learned from 1-9 in Step 1
- B: Add "und"
- C: Then refer to the tens (20, 30, 50, etc. .. 90) in Step 3
- D: Add A+B+C

So, say you want to say 22. Start with the numbers you learned from 1-9

- Rule: Add A+B+C
- A: Start with the numbers you learned from 1-9 in Step 1
 - o 2 is zwan
- B: Add "und"
 - add und
 - o now you have zwan und
- C: Then refer to the tens (20, 30, 50, etc. .. 90) in Step 3
 - twenty is <u>zwanzig</u>
- D: Add A+B+C
 - o so, <u>zwan+und+zwanzig</u>
 - the answer is: <u>zwanundzwanziq</u>

So, <u>zwanundzwanzig</u> is how you say 22. It's saying like <u>2 and 20</u>. That's it. Here are more examples for you.

In-betweener number examples		
Number	German	English
44	vierundvierzig	forty-four
99	neunundneunzig	ninety-nine
55	fünfundfünfzig	fifty-five
22	zweiundzwanzig	twenty-two
66	sechsundsechzig	sixty-six
21	einundzwanzig	twenty-one
77	siebenundsiebzig	seventy-seven
33	dreiunddreißig	thirty-three
88	achtundachtzig	eighty-eight

Done! Now, you can count German numbers 1 to 100. This should've taken you about 10 minutes or less.