

# How to change language in Windows XP from German to English

When you log on to the pool computers for the first time, you will get a computer profile with German language options including dialogs and menus.

With **Regional and Language Options** in **Control Panel** you can change the format Windows uses to display dates, times, currency amounts, the “Help” menu and other Windows menus and dialogs.

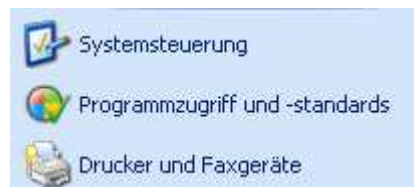
You can change them to English by following these instructions.

## Instructions to open and change Language Options:

Click the Windows **Start** button,



Click **Systemsteuerung** (Control Panel),



Click **Datums-, Zeit-, Sprach- und Regionaleinstellungen**  
(Date, Time, Language, and Regional Options),



And then click **Regions- und Sprachoptionen** (Regional and Language Options).



Click on the **Sprachen** (Languages) tab.  
Under “**Sprache für Menüs und Dialogfelder**” (Language used in menus and dialogs), select the language you want.

You can also change other Regional and Language options here.  
For example “date”, “time”, etc.



Click **Übernehmen** (Apply) and **OK**.

Changes to the language will not take effect until you **logoff** and **logon** again.  
You need to **logoff** and **logon** again or restart the Computer.

After logging on again, you will see some differences:

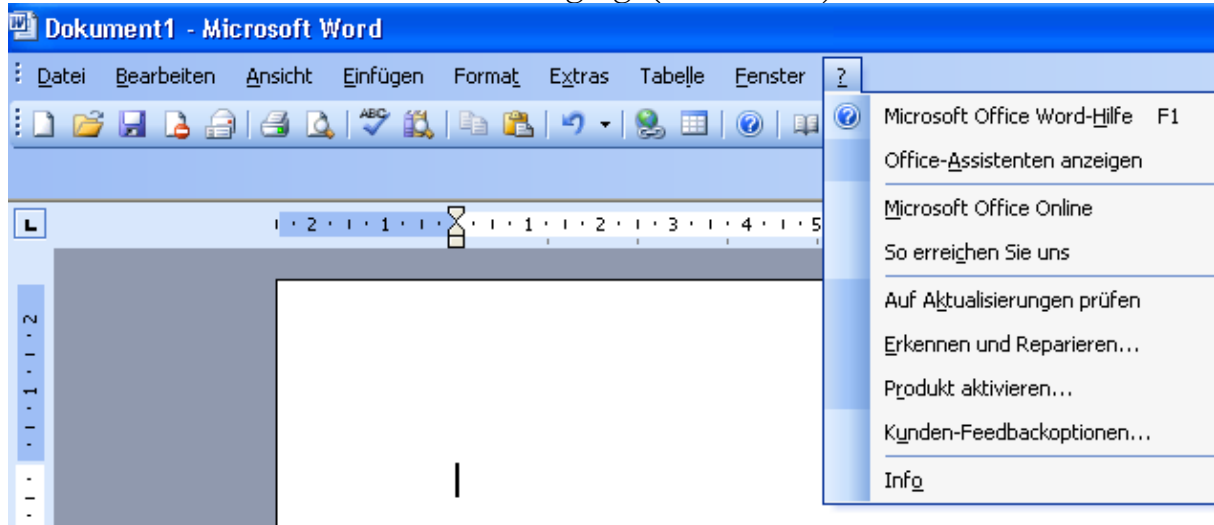
Before changing. (in German)



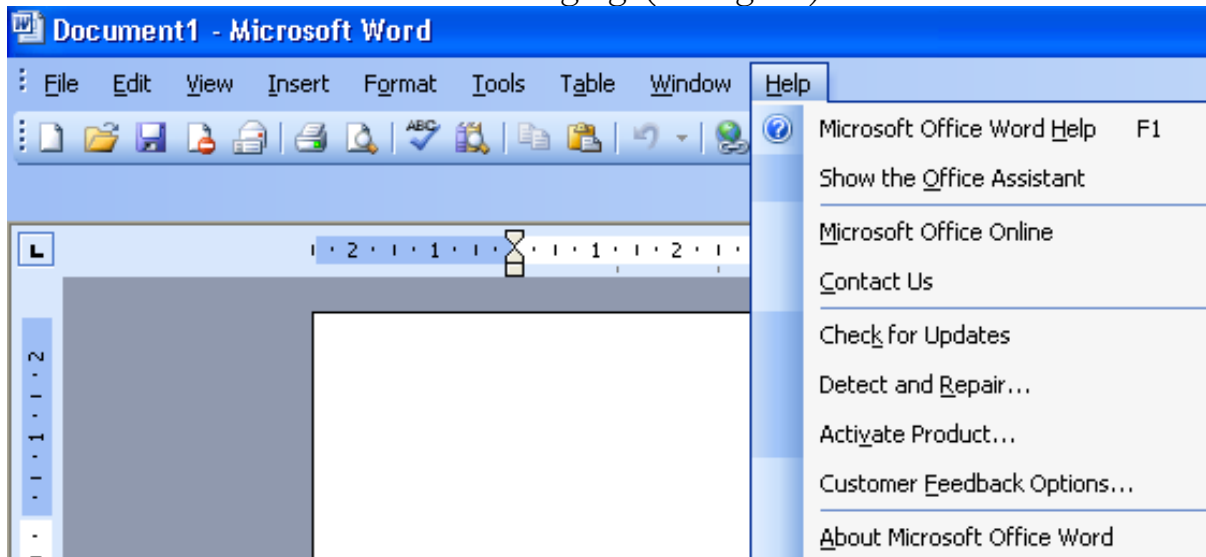
After changing. (in English)



Before changing. (in German)



After changing. (in English)







(The same applies to other Microsoft Office products.)

### Additional Notes:

Some programs are already in two languages available, you don't have to change the Regional and Language options for them. For example:

**Mozilla Firefox and Mozilla Thunderbird.**  
You can find them under "Start" and "All programs".

-  Mozilla Firefox - Deutsch
-  Mozilla Firefox - English
-  Mozilla Thunderbird - Deutsch
-  Mozilla Thunderbird - English