

5.4 Quer durch Deutschland - im Westen Bundesländer

Write N, S, O or W in the box in front of each Bundesland depending on whether it is associated with the Norden, Süden, Osten or Westen. Then write the abbreviation of the Bundesland in its location on the map.

- 1. Baden-Württemberg (BW)
- 2. Freistaat Bayern (BY)
- 3. Berlin (BE)
- 4. Brandenburg (BB)
- 5. Bremen (HB)
- 6. Hamburg (HH)
- 7. Hessen (HE)
- 8. Mecklenburg-Vorpommern (MV)
- 9. Niedersachsen (NI)
- 10. Nordrhein-Westfalen (NW)
- 11. Rheinland-Pfalz (RP)
- 12. Saarland (SL)
- 13. Sachsen (SN)
- 14. Sachsen-Anhalt (ST)
- 15. Schleswig-Holstein (SH)
- 16. Thüringen (TN)



Abbreviations: Using the abbreviations for *Bundesländer*, give your best answers or guesses to the following questions:

Note: Germans might avoid certain abbreviations that have unhappy historical associations...

1. Why do you think Bremen is not abbreviated BR and Hamburg not HA?

2. Some abbreviations use the first and second letters, some use the first and some other letter. Can you find any pattern here?

3. If Schleswig-Holstein is SH, why do you think Sachsen-Anhalt is ST and not SA?

4. If Brandenburg is BB, why isn't Niedersachsen NS?