Students beginning the study of German often fail to learn to see the Big Picture of the grammar of German. Therefore this Überblick (overview) will often make comparisons to parallel structures in English which would not only be useful but perhaps even interesting. Where now you may feel that you’re lost in a wilderness of word-endings, this Overview hopes to lift you out and raise you high enough that you can see trails through this forest, and that this forest is not endless but opens up eventually to wide spaces and green pastures. There are no prerequisites!