

Film title

Foreign Language

Tagline

Short synopsis

Fanny, a shy and lonely teenager, goes on a language exchange to Germany. In Leipzig, she meets her pen pal, Lena, a teenager eager to become politically active. Fanny is troubled. To win over Lena, she invents a life for herself, to the extent of becoming trapped in her lies.

Long synopsis

Fanny, a 17-year-old schoolgirl from France, goes on a language exchange trip to Germany. In Leipzig, she meets her pen pal Lena who is the same age as her and who is eager to become involved in political activism. In order to impress Lena, the rather shy and withdrawn Fanny invents a different life for herself – but she quickly becomes trapped in her deceit.

Technical information and credits

Original title: Langue étrangère
English title: Foreign Language
Year: 2024
Country: France, Belgium, Germany
Language: FR, GER, EN
Subtitles: CZ
Running time: 102 min
Dostupnost: 15+

DVD / Blu-ray: DCP, mp4
Genre: Drama, Romantic
Directed by: Claire Burger
Written by: Claire Burger, Léa Mysius
Edited by: Frédéric Baillehaiche, Claire Burger
Cinematography: Julien Poupard
Sound by: Gregor Arnold



Awards

Berlin IFF - Main Competition - 2024

Actors

Lilith Grasmug, Josefa Heinsius, Nina Hoss, Chiara Mastroianni, Jalal Altawil