

False friends

Many words in German and in English are the same, with a slight alteration in pronunciation or spelling. False friends are those words that look and sound almost the same, but in fact have completely different meanings. A typical example that you are probably already aware of is the difference between *become* (werden) and *bekommen* (get). False friends are important words to remember as they can cause quite a bit of misunderstanding. Look at the following words with a partner and translate the English into German and the German into English.

English	German
chef	Chef
eventually	eventuell
sensible	sensibel
prove	prufen
prospect	Prospekt
meaning	Meinung
map	Mappe
actually	Aktuell
control	kontrollieren

What Is Real Property?

Real property is a parcel of land and everything that is permanently attached to the land. The owner of real property has all of the rights of ownership, including the right to possess, sell, lease, and enjoy the land.

Real property may be classified according to its general use as residential, commercial, agricultural, industrial, or special purpose. In order to understand if you have the right to sell your home, you need to know which rights you possess—or don't possess—in the property.

What Is Real Estate?

Real estate is defined as the land and any permanent structures, like a home, or improvements attached to the land, whether natural or man-made.

Real estate is a form of [real property](#). It differs from personal property, which is not permanently attached to the land, such as vehicles, boats, jewelry, furniture, and farm equipment.