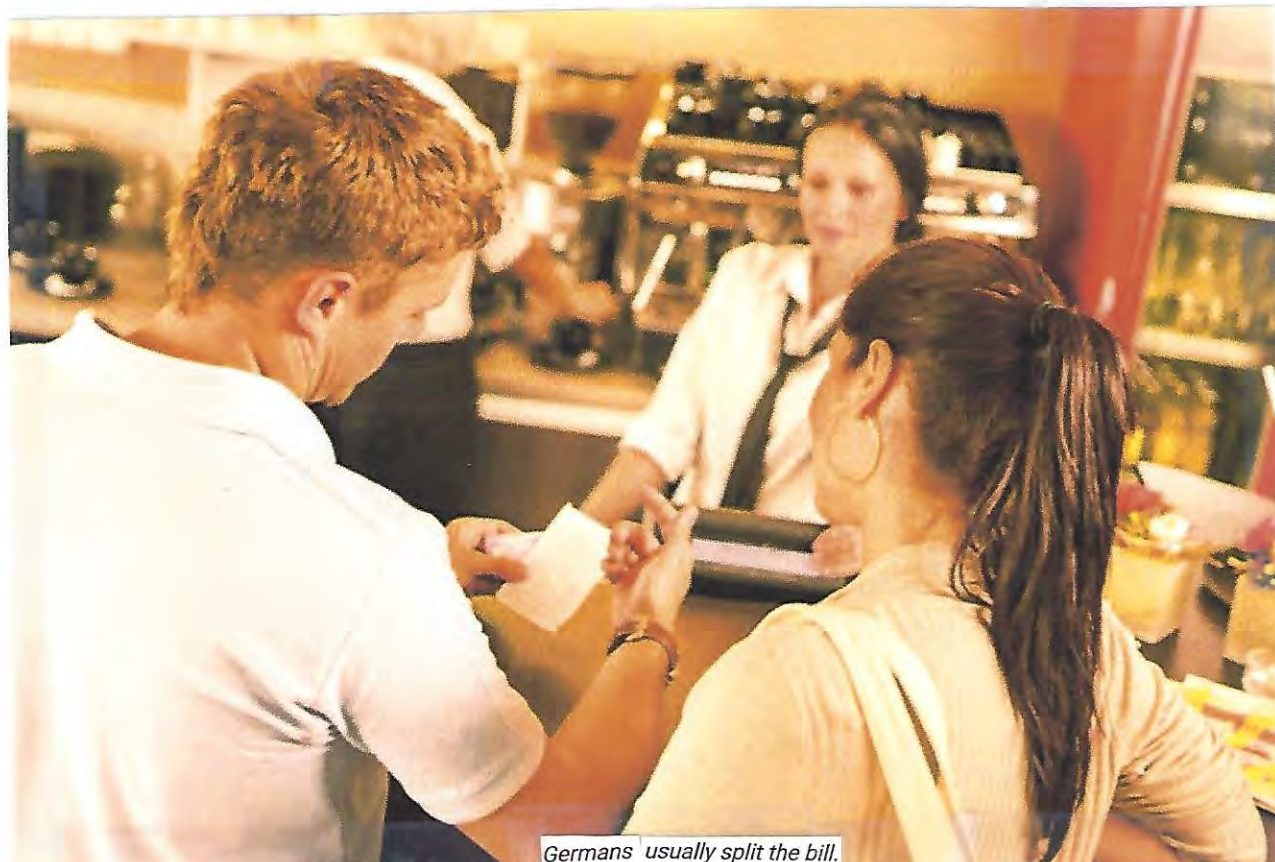


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13 THINGS FOREIGNERS DO THAT MAKES GERMANS
REALLY UNCOMFORTABLE

Germans usually split the bill.

And usually you tip in Germany by rounding up the total due, and you tell the server how much you want to pay, rather than leaving money on the table as you are leaving.

On that note remember that if you invite someone out to eat then you are expected to cough up for it because *einladen* (to invite) in German carries the meaning that you will pay.

So when a German says they want to invite you for coffee, they mean they will pay for it.

Asking for water in a restaurant

If you really want to make a German feel uncomfortable, ask for tap water in a restaurant. It is guaranteed to make them squirm.

In lots of German restaurants getting tap water isn't even an option and it is normally seen as rude to ask for it, although things are starting to change slowly regarding this issue, especially in big cities.