German in Germany Video Transcripts

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"Mailing a Postcard"

German transcript:

"Steffi: Hallo.....

Frau: Guten Tag, bitteschön.

Steffi: Ich hätte gerne eine Briefmarke.

Frau: Ja. Eine Postkarte. Das sind dann 45 Cent. Dankeschön....oh, sind noch ganz

zusammen hier...na, will nicht. Einen [Euro]. Danke. Und 45 zurück.

Dankeschön.

Steffi: Dankeschön. Tschüß."

English translation:

"Steffi: Hello.....

Woman: Good afternoon, how can I help you?

Steffi: I would like a stamp.

Woman: Okay. One postcard. That comes to 45 cents. Thank you. Oh, they are still all

wrapped up. It won't open. One euro, please. Thanks. And 45 cents is

your change. Thanks a lot.

Steffi: Thank you, bye."

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