German Days of the Week

Look at the table below which explains what the days of the week are called in German, how to say them and what the literal translation of the German word is. Practise saying the German words out loud and see if you can find a rhythm to say them in.

English	German	Phonetic Pronunciation	What does the word mean?		
Sunday	Sonntag zon-tahk		Sun day		
Monday	Montag	mohn-tahk	Moon day		
Tuesday	Dienstag	deens-tahk	Day of service		
Wednesday	Mittwoch	mit-voH	Mid-week		
Thursday	Donnerstag	don-ers-tahk	Thunder day		
Friday	Freitag	fry-tahk	Free day		
Saturday	Samstag Sonnabend	zâms-tahk zon-ah-bent	Sabbath Sun eve (Evening before Sunday)		

Now cut out the days of the week below and practise shuffling them up and reordering them correctly.

Can you work out what the German word for 'day' is by looking closely at these words?



Montag	Dienstag		
. Mittwoch	Donnerstag		
Freitag	Samstag/ Sonnabend		
Sonntag			



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When you have practised sorting the words, stick them down on this template and draw something that you might usually do on that day. You can keep and display your chart so you can use the German instead of English every day.

German	English	What I might do on this day.

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(Today is...)

