

Weimar and Nazi Germany 1918-1939

Knowledge Check List

Topic	I can answer this question without looking in my book.	Not sure: more revision needed	Don't know at all: more revision needed
Key topic 1; The Weimar Republic 1919-1929			
a) What problems did Germany face in 1918 at the start of the Weimar Republic?			
b) What were the strengths and weaknesses of the Weimar constitution?			
c) Why was the Treaty of Versailles so unpopular?			
d) What were the Kapp Putsch and Spartacist uprising?			
e) What is Hyperinflation?			
f) Why was 1923 such a bad year for Weimar Germany?			
g) Why was the early Weimar Republic so unpopular?			
h) How did Stresemann solve Germany's problems? (including the Dawes Plan, Young Plan, Locarno Pact, the League of Nations, the Kellogg-Briand Pact)			
i) To what extent was 1924-1929 a 'Golden Age' in Germany (including unemployment insurance, the position of women, cultural changes)			
Key topic 2: Hitler's rise to power, 1919-33			
a) How did the Nazi Party start in the 1920s?			
b) What was the Munich (Beer hall) Putsch? What were its consequences?			
c) Why did the Nazi Party lose support in the 1920s?			
d) How did the Nazi Party reorganise itself in the late 1920s?			
e) What were the reasons for the growth in support in the Nazi Party 1929-33 (e.g. the work of the SA, propaganda, the Depression)			
f) Why was there continued support for the Communist Party in this time?			
g) How did Hindenburg, Bruning, von Papen and von Schleicher help Hitler become Chancellor in 1933?			
Key topic 3: Nazi control and dictatorship, 1933-39			
a) How did the Nazis consolidate power between 1933-1934? (including the Reichstag fire, Enabling Act, the Night of the Long Knives, the army and the oath of allegiance)			
b) What was the role of the Gestapo, the SS, the SA and concentration camps in helping the Nazis to maintain control?			
c) How did propaganda help to maintain control (including censorship, the Berlin Olympics, rallies and the media)?			
d) To what extent was there successful opposition to the Nazis from the Church and the young (Swing Youth, Edelweiss Pirates)?			
Key topic 4: Life in Nazi Germany, 1933-39			
a) What were the Nazi views and policies towards women?			
b) What were the Nazi views and policies towards children?			
c) How far did the lives of workers improve in Nazi Germany?			
d) How did the Nazis persecute minority groups (including Jews, homosexuals, 'gypsies' and those with disabilities)?			