# Unit Y221: Democracy and dictatorships in germany 1919-1963

Note: Based on 2x 50 minute lessons per week

Terms based on 6 term year.

| **Key Topic** | **Term** | **Week Number** | **Indicative Content** | **Extended Content** | **Resources** |
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| **The establishment and development of the Weimar Republic: 1919–Jan 1933** |  | 1 | Consequences of the First World War; | * Collapse of Imperial Germany * Social and economic effects of WW1 * October reform and origins of the Stab in the Back myth * The German revolution * Growing opposition * Ebert’s leadership | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 1 | the Weimar Constitution;  coalition governments; | * Make-up and nature of the new government * President * Parliament * Bill of rights * Courts * Article 48 * Proportional representation * Relationship between the president and the Reichstag * Significance of the constitution | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |

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|  |  | 2 | impact of the Treaty of Versailles; | * Aims of Versailles * Terms of Versailles * German reactions * Significance of the treaty | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 2 | challenges to Weimar;  Communist revolts, Kapp Putsch, Munich Putsch, invasion of the Ruhr, hyperinflation; | * Threats from and nature of the extreme left * KPD opposition * Sparticist uprising * Threats from and nature of the extreme right * Events of Kapp putsch and its consequence * Emergence of the Nazis and the Munich Putsch (events and consequences) * Economic situation in Germany * Causes of hyperinflation (including invasion of the Ruhr) * Consequences of hyperinflation | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 3 | Stresemann and the ‘Golden Years’;  Dawes and Young Plans, economic recovery, foreign loans, political stability, improvements to working and living conditions; | * Role of Stresemann in the recovery of Germany * Impact of the Dawes plan * Role of foreign policy in providing security in Germany * Young plan and its impact * Increasing stability and recovery in politics and economics * Weimar culture | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 3 | the impact of the Great Depression, elections and governments 1928–1933; | * Impact of the Depression * Implications politically * Collapse of governments during this period | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 4 | rise and appeal of Nazism, role of propaganda and Hitler; | * Creation and emergence of the Nazi party * Organisation of the party * Nazi ideology * Nazi fortunes in the 1920s * Nazi electoral performance in the early 1930s and reasons for its growth * Appeal of the Nazis * Political methods of the Nazis | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 5 | Papen, Schleicher and ‘backstairs intrigue’; | * Papen and Schleicher’s failures and their consequences | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 5 | Hitler’s appointment as Chancellor. | * Papen’s attempts to dislodge Schleicher and convincing Hindenburg to appoint Hitler as Chancellor | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
| **The establishment of the Nazi Dictatorship and its domestic policies Feb 1933–1939** |  | 6 | Hitler’s consolidation of power, the Reichstag Fire, March Elections and Enabling Act, Gleichschaltung, creation of the one-party state, Night of the Long Knives, army oath and death of Hindenburg; | * Strengths and limits to Hitler’s power, January to March 1933 * March 1933 elections * Reichstag fire and its consequences * The significance of the Enabling Act and the establishment of the dictatorship * Policy of Gleichschaltung (co-ordination) * Reorganisation of federal governments * Banning the unions * Banning the other parties * Position of the SA and the power struggle with the Army * The events and significance of the Night of the Long Knives * Army oath of allegiance * Death of Hindenburg | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 7 | system of government and administration; | * Methods used by the Nazis to govern Germany * Creation of Hitler myth * Central government * Chaos in government – intentional or not? * Purpose of the party after 1933 * Relations between party and state * Role of the army * Leading Nazis and their roles | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 8 | censorship and propaganda, machinery of terror, including courts, SS, Gestapo; | * Aims of Nazi propaganda and its development including use of technology, the radio and press * Use of violence in the state and the different organisations used. * The police state * Role and power of the SS, Gestapo, SD | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 9 | treatment of opposition; | * Resistance in Nazi Germany – types of resistance and treatment by the regime * Examples of resistance | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 10 | religious policies; | * Nazi views on religion * Initial conciliation, including Concordat * Change in relationship between church and state * Church opposition towards the Nazis | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 11 | economic policies, Schacht’s New Plan, Goering’s Four Year Plan, public works, conscription and autarky; | * Nazi economic aims * Condition in Germany in 1933 * Schacht’s economic strategy * Implementation, aims, objectives and successes of the Four Year Plan * Use of public works * Introduction of conscription * Policies of autarky | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 12 | German Labour Front; Strength through Joy’; | * Policies towards workers in industry   + Creation of German Labour Front   + Working conditions   + Beauty of Labour   + Strength through Joy * Success and failures of policies to industry workers * Policies towards peasants and small farmers, including successes and failures * Policies towards landowners, big business and the Mittlestand, including successes and failures | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 13 | policy towards women; | * Nazi views on women and family * Nazi policies, including those aimed at female employment, marriage and family * Successes and failures of policies | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 14 | education and policy towards youth; | * Aims of Nazi education * Changes in schooling * Policies aimed at indoctrinating youth * Successes and failures of policies towards education and youth | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 15 | racial policies to 1939; | * Concept of Volksgemeinschaft and who was considered outsiders * Nazism and beliefs in anti-Semitism * Gradualism in racial policies * Legal discrimination * Use of propaganda and indoctrination * Use of Terror and violence * Forced emigration * Kristallnacht / Night of Broken Glass | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 16 | benefits of Nazi rule. | * Who and what benefited under the Nazis? | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
| **The impact of war and defeat on Germany: 1939–1949** |  | 16 | The war economy and Total War; | * Expansion of economy * Limits of economic mobilisation * Speers economic policies * Successes and failures of the War economy | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 17 | impact of bombing; morale and rationing; | * Impact of bombing on the war effort and on German society * Impact of rationing and food shortages * Declining morale | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 17 | war and racial policies, the Final Solution; | * Changes in racial policies – from emigration to extermination * Wansee Conference * Jewish persecution and the Final solution * Persecution of the Gypsies * Other racial policies | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 18 | opposition and resistance; | * Increasing opposition during the war, including the July plot, White Rose, communist and conservative opposition and Nazi methods in dealing with resistance and opposition | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
|  | 19 | consequences of the Second World War; Cold War, Potsdam, division of Germany, Bizonia and developments in the Soviet Zone, currency and the Berlin Blockade. | * Germany in 1945 * Population displacement * Urban destruction * Food and fuel shortages * Economic dislocation * Post War Conferences / Treaties   + Atlantic Charter   + Casablanca   + Teheran   + Yalta   + Potsdam * De-Nazification * Zone creation and differences between them * Decentralisation * Re-emergence of German political parties * The Soviet Zone, Walter Ulbricht, SMAD, creation of SED, economic and social changes * The Western Zone, problems and solutions, the Bizone, the Marshall Plan, currency reform * Berlin Crisis | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Weimar and Nazi Germany*, Hite and Hinton, Hodder * *The Third Reich*, Williamson, Longman |
| **Divided Germany: The Federal Republic and the DDR 1949–1963** |  | 20 | The creation of West Germany and the DDR; the Basic Law and constitution of West Germany; | * The creation of two Germanies – BRD and the DDR * The Bonn Republic * Aims and contents of the Basic Law and the constitution | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |
|  | 20 | the 1949 election; | * Party politics and the elections of 1949 * Adenauer era and the CDU * Adenauer’s aims * Role of the SPD | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |
|  | 21 | the economic miracle; | * Social market economy * Reasons for recovery of the economy and ‘miracle’ | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |
|  | 21 | political and social stability; elections of 1953, 1957 and 1961; | * Social policies, social redress, integration of the Trade Unions, the Welfare State, education, women and social change. * CDU domination and elections of 1953, 1957 and 1961 | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |
|  | 22 | foreign policy, rapprochement with France, EEC, rearmament, NATO, policy towards USA and USSR, DDR; | * Adenauer’s foreign policy aims * Economic integration * Petersburg Agreement * European Coal and Steel Community * European Economic Community * Military and Political integration, NATO, * Relations with the DDR and the USSR, the ‘Stalin notes’ Hallstein doctrine, Warsaw Pact. | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |
|  | 23 | Berlin Wall; | * Reasons why the Berlin Wall was constructed * Significance of the Berlin Wall | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |
|  | 23 | Adenauer’s decline and the Der Spiegel Crisis of 1962; West Germany in 1963; | * Adenauer’s fall from power * The presidency fiasco * The TV dispute * 1961 election * Der Spiegel affair and consequences * Declining foreign relations * Resignation of Adenauer * West Germany in 1963 | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |
|  | 24 | the GDR in 1949; | * Creation of the SED dictatorship * Transformation of the SED and the party system in the DDR * The Secret police (Stasi) * Military force and its use. | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |
|  | 24 | uprising 1953; | * Workers uprising, causes and consequences and reasons for failures | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |
|  | 25 | economic change, land reform, collectivisation, nationalisation and heavy industry; | * Economic legacy of the war in the DDR * Changes in industry * First five year plan, 1951-1955 * Later plans, including a second five year plan, seven year plan and New Economic System * Changes in agriculture | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |
|  | 25 | social change, churches, Trade Unions, education and youth. | * Welfare reform * Policies for education and youth * Policies towards the Church * Women in the DDR * How far living standards improved * Successes and failures in creating a fairer society * Opposition in the DDR | * *Democracy and Dictatorship in Germany 1919-63*, Layton, Hodder * *Germany 1858-1990: Hope, Terror and Revival*, Kitson, OUP * *Germany 1848-1991*, Murphy, Morris & Fullbrook, Collins * *Germany Divided and Reunited 1945-91*, Leonard & Bushnell, Hodder |

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