****Golden knowledge: Germany topic 1 1919-1934**

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| **Topic** | **Golden knowledge** | **Know it?** |
| **End of First World War** | Kaiser Wilhelm II abdicated |  |
| 11th November 1918 |  |
| Germany surrender and signed the armistice |  |
| Stabbed in the back myth |  |
| **Treaty of Versailles** | 28th June 1919 |  |
| Key terms included:  Reparations (£6,600 million)  Anschluss forbidden  Rhineland demilitarised  Army reduced to 100,000  Not allowed to join the League of Nations |  |
| German people hated the treaty and wanted to get rid of it. |  |
| **Weimar Republic** | Stabbed in the back myth |  |
| Created in January 1919 |  |
| New democratic government |  |
| Strengths of new government:   * Very democratic because of voting rights and voting system * Role of Gustav Stresemann * Dawes and Young plan * Locarno Pact * Kellogg-Briand Pact * Impact of loans on Germany e.g. improvement in houses |  |
| Weaknesses:   * Proportional representation causing weak coalition government * Judges and army not on the side of the new government * Weak and uninspiring leaders * Anger and impact of the Treaty of Versailles * Uprisings from left and right * Invasion of Ruhr * Hyperinflation * Great Depression |
| **Development of the Nazi party** | Started in 1919 by Anton Drexler |  |
| Hitler joined when party was small, put in charge of propaganda. Made lots of speeches. |  |
| Membership increased in early 1920s |  |
| Hitler became leader in 1921 and created the SA |  |
| Munich Putsch was the Nazis failed attempt to take power (1923) |  |
| Banned in 1924 |  |
| Reorganised after ban lifted in 1925. |  |
| Membership increased in late 1920s but this didn’t translate to increase in seats |  |
| **Reasons Hitler became Chancellor and Nazis came to power** | Great Depression and impact  Fear of Communism  Role of SA (some liked it, some were afraid of it  Personality/cult of Hitler & his speeches  Propaganda  Promises to all sections of society |  |
| Failures of the Weimar Republic |  |
| Political scheming between Von Papen, Von Schleicher, Hindenburg and Hitler |  |
| **Election results 1924-1933** | Pre-1924 – Nazis held 32 seats  1928 – Nazis gained 12 seats  1930 – 107 seats  July 1932 – 230 seats  November 1932 – 196 seats  March 1933 – 288 seats |  |
| **Consolidation of power** | Hitler officially became chancellor on 30 January 1933  Reichstag Fire – 27 February 1933  March Election – 5March 1933  Enabling Act – 23 March 1933  Night of the Long Knives – 30 June 1934 |  |