Edexcel GCSE

History B (Schools History Project)
Unit 2: Schools History Project Depth Study
Option 2C: Life in Germany, c1919–c1945

Monday 21 June 2010 – Afternoon
Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

You do not need any other materials.

Information
- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets
  - *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*
- Questions labelled with an *asterisk* (*) are ones where the quality of your written communication will be assessed
  - *you should take particular care with your spelling, punctuation and grammar, as well as the clarity of expression, on these questions.*

Advice
- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.
Answer Question 1 AND Question 2.

Question 1

Study Source A.

Source A: A Nazi poster from 1935 showing a Volkswagen car and a savings book. The slogan says ‘Your Strength Through Joy Car.’
1 What can you learn from Source A about the work of the 'Strength Through Joy' organisation?

(Total for Question 1 = 4 marks)
2. The boxes below show two groups. Choose one and explain how they opposed the Nazi government.

| Pastor Niemöller and Protestant Churches | Students and the White Rose Group |

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Answer EITHER Question 3 OR Question 4.

EITHER

3  Why was the Treaty of Versailles so unpopular in Germany? (12)

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- Hitler called the Treaty of Versailles ‘The Dictated Peace’
- The Treaty of Versailles reduced the German Army to 100,000 men
- Germany had to pay reparations

(Total for Question 3 = 12 marks)

OR

4  Why were the Nazis able to persecute the Jews and other minority groups in Germany in the years 1933–39? (12)

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- 1935: Nuremberg Laws were passed
- Goebbels’ Ministry for Propaganda gave daily orders to newspapers on what they could write
- By 1939 the SS had more than 240,000 members

(Total for Question 4 = 12 marks)
Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross ☐ in the box. If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☐ and then indicate your new question with a cross ☐.

Chosen Question Number:  Question 3 ☐ Question 4 ☐
Answer EITHER Question 5 OR Question 6.

You must answer both parts of the question you choose.

EITHER

5  (a) Describe why the Munich Putsch failed in 1923.  

(b) ‘The Enabling Act in March 1933 was the most important factor helping Hitler to gain total power in Germany.’ Do you agree? Explain your answer.

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- February 1933: The Reichstag Fire was blamed on the Communists 
- June 1934: The Night of the Long Knives 
- August 1934: The death of President Hindenburg

(Total for Question 5 = 25 marks)

OR

6  (a) Describe the work of Stresemann in helping Germany to recover in the years 1924–29.

(b) ‘The main role of education in Nazi Germany was to prepare boys and girls for different roles.’ Do you agree? Explain your answer.

You may use the following in your answer and any other information of your own.

- Girls studied Domestic Science 
- Boxing was compulsory in school for boys 
- All pupils had lessons in Race Studies

(Total for Question 6 = 25 marks)
Indicate which question you are answering by marking a cross ☐ in the box.
If you change your mind, put a line through the box ☐
and then indicate your new question with a cross ☐.

Chosen Question Number:  Question 5 ☐  Question 6 ☐

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