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The Rise of Nazi Germany

As a Young Historian, I will be able to...

- Summarize the political and economic problems faced by the Weimar Republic.
- Analyze Hitler's rise to power.
- Describe the political, social, economic, and cultural policies of Nazi Germany.
- Explain why Eastern Europe turned to authoritarian rule.

The Weimer Republic

After The Great War, Germany sets up a new government. A Parliament system led by a **Chancellor**, prime minister

The government was weak with upset citizens on both sides, blamed the government for the Versailles Treaty

Germany couldn't pay reparations so France occupied its coal & steel industries. The workers protested

The government began to over print money & make **hyperinflation**- sharp increase in prices & undervalued money

Adolf Hitler

America creates the Dawes Plan to help loan money to Germany, but soon the Great Depression hit

Adolf Hitler begins to speak to the people & people began to favor him

As a young man in Vienna, he developed fanatical anti-Semitism

After the Great War, he becomes the head of the National Socialist German Worker party or **Nazi Party**

Hitlers Ideas

Tries to stage a coup of the gov. & is jailed.

Writes *Mein Kampf* (My Struggle) which showed his goals & ideas

He blamed Germanys defeat in WWI on

Marxists, Jews, politicians, & business leaders

He believed that Germans needed to joining into one great nation. Eventually released from prison

Fearing communism in Germany, the conservative party appoints Hitler Chancellor of Germany, thinking they could control him

The Third Reich

**After a year in power, Hitler takes control as dictator
& kills those he felt were disloyal**

The Third Reich- German master race would
dominate Europe for a thousand years, belief

**Hitler begins to rebuild Germany & its military.
Government takes control of big business**

Gestapo- Secret German police that sought to root
out opposition to Hitler

Nazi Policies

Nuremberg Laws- Deprived Jews of German citizenship & placed severe restrictions on them

Kristallnacht- “Night of Broken Glass”- German government destroy Jewish businesses & synagogues

This began the concentration camps & soon the beginnings of **The Final Solution** to exterminate all Jews

Hitler Youth was created to inspire children to become future Fascist soldiers

Nazi Policies

Use of propaganda & culture were used to purify Germany

Jazz was banned & books were burned to keep corruption out of Germany

The State took over the church & curbed open religious thought & debate

Soon other rivalries would boil over in Europe & The Great War would soon become known as World War I...