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We will be going through the booklet together, ready for a QUIZ.

Plenary 1: Nazi policies towards women

- Why did the Nazis want birth rates to increase?
- Why did the Nazis want women to stay at home, not work?
- What was the German Women's Enterprise?
- What could people get a loan of 1000 marks for?
- What was the Mother's Cross?
- What jobs were women banned from?
- What were women encouraged to look like?
- Were the Nazi policies towards women successful?

Plenary 1: Nazi policies towards women

- Why did the Nazis want birth rates to increase? Workers/soldiers
- Why did the Nazis want women to stay at home, not work? Kinder, Kuche, Kirche (church, children, Kitchen)
- What was the German Women's Enterprise?
- Make women servants of German state. Only organisation women could join.
- What could people get a loan of 1000 marks for? Law for the encouragement of marriage 1933
- What was the Mother's Cross? Bronze 4/5 silver 6 gold 8 children
- What jobs were women banned from? Teachers, doctors, civil servants, judge, lawyer
- What were women encouraged to look like? Modest dress, hair tied back, no make up

 Were the Nazi policies towards women successful? Yes- birth rate increased, many women accepted policies, fewer women went to university No- some women felt it degraded women/ did not like Scholtz-Klink (Reich women's leader)

Plenary 2: Nazi policies towards young people

- Why did Hitler want the support of young people?
- What were the names of the youth groups for girls and boys?
- Give 3 examples of Hitler Youth activities
- Give 3 examples of League of German Maidens activities
- How were teachers controlled?
- How was the curriculum changed? Give 2 examples

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- What were the names of the youth groups for girls and boys? League of German Maidens/ Hitler Youth
- Give 3 examples of Hitler Youth activities hiking/ sport/map reading/ team building/ Nazi ideology/oath
- Give 3 examples of League of German Maidens activities camping/ marching/ oath/ cook/iron/sew/ importance of German race in marriage
- How were teachers controlled? Oath/ sack teachers/ told them what to teach/ salute/ swastikas in classrooms
- How was the curriculum changed? Give 2 examples
 Race studies/ PE doubled/ cooking compulsory/ Nazi history/ Mein
 Kampf compulsory

Plenary 3: Life in Nazi Germany

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- 2. What did the RAD (National Labour Service) provide?
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- 1. In 1933 5million people were unemployed. What had this fallen to by 1939? 302,000
- 1. What did the RAD (National Labour Service) provide?
- Provided paid work for unemployed (public works-repairing roads/planting trees). Low pay
- 1. Give one example of a project the Nazis introduced to give people jobs? Autobahns/ rearmament
- 2. Which people were not included in the employment figures? Jews/ women
- What was the aim of Strength Through Joy (KdF)? Make benefits of work more enjoyable. Provided leisure activities e.g. sports/ films/theatre/holidays
- 4. Give an example of how Jews were persecuted. Banned from jobs/ banned from army/ banned from public areas like parks/swimming pools/ boycott of Jewish shops/ Nuremberg laws- forbade Jews marrying Germans/ identity cards/ Kristallnacht/ camps

Propaganda and Opposition

