**Germany Mock Exam.**

You will be tested in your ability to analyse sources and interpretations which you will have worked on in lessons.

The knowledge you will need is on the next page.

You will also need to know how to answer questions with the following stems:

1. How useful are sources B and C to an enquiry into…?
2. Study Interpretations 1 and 2.

They give different views about…

What is the main difference between these views?

1. Suggest one reason why Interpretations 1 and 2 give different views about…

You may use Sources B and C to help explain your answer.

1. How far do you agree with Interpretation 2 about…?

Explain your answer, using both interpretations and your knowledge of the

historical context. (20 marks)

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**The Hitler Youth and the BDM**

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|  | **Boys** | **Girls** |
| **Name of Organisation** | Hitler Youth ‘HJ’ | The League of German Maidens ‘BDM’ |
| **Age** | 10-18 (Young German Folk 10-14 and Hitler Youth 14-18) | 10-18 (Young Girls 10-14 and the League of German Maidens) 14-18) |
| **Purpose** | * To indoctrinate children and ensure they grew up to be loyal Nazis * To prepare them for their future role which, for most, would be joining the military | * To indoctrinate children and ensure they grew up to be loyal Nazis * To prepare them for their future role which, for most, would be to become mothers and bring the children up to be loyal Nazis |
| **Activities** | * Running Marching Horse riding * Shooting Gymnastics Cross country * Camping and hunting Singing Nazi songs | * Marching * Singing Nazi songs * Gymnastics * Homecare / childcare. |
| **Why people joined** | * To feel a sense of belonging. Lots of others were members * For SOME was exciting and fun * It was felt to be the natural thing for all young people to do. It was expected. * The activities attracted many people * From 1933 you had to be a member of the Hitler Youth to join any sports club * Non-Hitler Youth members could be beaten up by those that were * Hitler Youth members were offered free holidays. Going on holiday in the 1930s was very rare so this was very attractive. | * To feel a sense of belonging. Lots of others were members * It was exciting and fun. It would have been impossible for many Germans to have dome these if it wasn’t for the Hitler Youth. * It was felt to be the natural thing for all young people to do * The activities attracted many people * From 1933 you had to be a member of the Hitler Youth to join any sports club * It showed your loyalty to Hitler and to Germany |
| **Evidence of success** | * 1936 – 2/3 of all boys and girls are members of the Hitler Youth before it became compulsory to be a member * 1936 – All youth groups except for the Hitler Youth were banned. This included the Boy Scouts. * 1936 – Hitler Youth members are given tickets to attend the Olympic games in Berlin * December 1936 - The Hitler Youth Law makes membership compulsory for all youth aged 10 to 18. 62% of all boys and girls are now members of Nazi Youth groups * 1939 – 82% of all boys and girls aged 10-18 are members of Nazi Youth groups. | * 1936 – 2/3 of all boys and girls are members of the Hitler Youth before it became compulsory to be a member * 1936 – All youth groups except for the BDM were banned. * 1936 – BDM members are given tickets to attend the Olympic games in Berlin * December 1936 - The Hitler Youth Law makes membership compulsory for all youth aged 10 to 18. 62% of all boys and girls are now members of Nazi Youth groups * 1939 – 82% of all boys and girls aged 10-18 are members of Nazi Youth groups. |
| **Evidence of failure** | * 1934 – The Edelweiss Pirates (an anti-Nazi youth group) is set up. * 1938 – Membership of the Hitler Youth starts to decline as the activities become increasingly focused on getting boys ready for the military. It was less fun, much more strict and the activities were very similar (all based in military activities. Some people started to resent it. * 1938 -The quality of the leadership worsens as many leaders joined the army ready to fight in World War II. The people in charge were often not much older than the people they were in charge of and it was run like the army. * 1939 – The Edelweiss Pirates (an anti-Nazi youth group) has around 2000 members across Germany. * 1939 – The Swing Youth is set up in Hamburg. Members listened to jazz music and dressed in English style clothing, wore makeup and allowed Jews to join. It opposed the Nazis and the Hitler Youth. | * 1934 – The Edelweiss Pirates (an anti-Nazi youth group) is set up. * 1939 – The Edelweiss Pirates (an anti-Nazi youth group) has around 2000 members across Germany. This included girls as well as boys. * 1939 – The Swing Youth is set up in Hamburg. Members listened to jazz music and dressed in English style clothing, wore makeup and allowed Jews to join |