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HISTORY FESTIVAL
FOR SCHOOLS
TEACHER NOTES



VIDEO 9: LIVING IN NAZI GERMANY

Age Group: Key Stages 2 and 3

Key Question: How did Nazi takeover of Germany in 1933 affect ordinary Germans?

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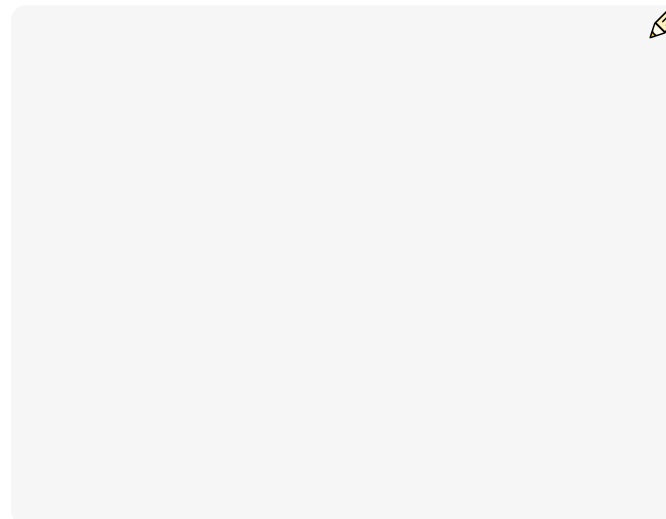
THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE WATCHING THE VIDEO:

- That Hitler, as leader of the Nazi Party, Hitler became dictator of Germany in 1933, establishing what he called the 'Third Reich'
- Hitler's powers under the Enabling Act, March 1933
- Who opposed Nazi rule and what happened to them
- What was the 'People's Community' (Volk gemeinschaft) which the Nazis wanted to create
- Nazi policies for women
- What happened to German Jews
- How Hitler set out to win popular support
- What happened to Nazis after the Second World War.

This video, recorded at the Festival in June 2023, is an interview with Julia Boyd, author of **"A Village in the Third Reich - how ordinary lives were transformed by fascism."** Her interesting research reveals how the lives of everyone, including the mayor, in one particular village in southern Germany were affected by Nazi laws and policies.



1. How did the policies of the Third Reich affect people's daily lives?



2. Were women's lives changed by the Nazi takeover?



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3. Did women object to the changes the Nazis imposed?



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4. Were the Nazis successful in creating their 'People's Community'?



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5. Did people oppose what was happening?



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6. How did the mayor respond to the Nazis and what happened to him after the war?



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AFTERWARDS

In groups, talk about your responses to these six questions.

Then use your responses to talk about our Key Question:

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