



# Foxford Learning Plan

YEAR 12 History  
Paper 1 Germany and West Germany  
1918-89

## Key Vocabulary

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| Nationalism    | A very strong love of your own country.  |
| Dictatorship   | A country ruled by a dictator (unelected leader with complete power).                              |
| Democracy      | A system of government based in freedom and equality between people, with elected representatives. |
| Republic       | A country without a King or Queen.   |
| Constitution   | The set of political principles by which a state is governed.                                      |
| Dissent        | A strong difference of opinion and disagreement.   |
| Censorship     | Preventing something from being seen or made available to the public.                              |
| Repression     | The use of force or violence to control a group of people.   |
| Extremism      | Having beliefs that are usually viewed as unreasonable or unacceptable.                            |
| Policy         | A set of ideas or a plan of what to do that has been agreed by a group of people.                  |
| Interpretation | How an event has been represented and explained.   |

## Key Skills

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| Over the course of the topic, I will be able to: -  |
| Analyse patterns of political change and how they occurred.   |
| Explain why governments struggle to maintain stability in times of economic and social hardship.              |
| Explain the causes and consequences of Nazi rule alongside broader influences and patterns of German history. |
| Examine, explore and compare social and cultural tensions across different periods of Germany.                |
| Analyse historical interpretations and use knowledge to put together coherent verbal and written arguments.   |



## I will understand

Theme 1: Political and governmental change, 1918-89 - the changing nature of the government of Germany and West Germany from democracy to fascist dictatorship and back to democracy.

Theme 2: Opposition, control and consent, 1918-89 - The reasons for, and nature of, the support for and opposition to the differing forms of government.

Theme 3: Economic development and policies, 1918-89 - The reasons for, the nature of and the impact of economic policies implemented by successive governments in the years 1918-89.

Theme 4: Aspects of life in Germany, 1918-89 - Change and continuity in selected aspects of life in Germany in the years 1918-89.

Historical interpretations: How far was Hitler's foreign policy responsible for the Second World War? - The extent to which Hitler can be held responsible for the outbreak of the Second World War.