Part Two:

Hitler's Rise to Power, 1919-33

Early development of the Nazis

1920-1922



Hitler's early career

Austrian Adolf Hitler moved to Munich in 1913 and fought for Germany in the First World War. Shocked by Germany's defeat and outraged by the Treaty of Versailles, he rose to prominence.



Setting up the Nazi Party

1 The Twenty-Five Point Programme

This laid out the policy of the Nazi Party, and included:

- rejecting the Treaty of Versailles and building up Germany's armed forces (rearmament)
- expanding Germany's borders to provide living space (Lebensraum)
- excluding Jews from German society (anti-Semitism)
- nationalising industry.



There are different points of view on the reasons for the growth in support for the Nazi Party, which makes this topic a good one for interpretation questions. Remember these factors when studying the rise of the Party between 1928 and 1932.