

Source A: a normal timetable from a school in Berlin in 1936

Boys

| Lesson 1 | Lesson 2 | Lesson 3 | Dinner | Lesson 4 | Lesson 5 | Lesson 6 |
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| German | History / Geography | Eugenics / Nazi theory | Sport and music clubs | Physics and Chemistry | PE: boxing, football and marching | Maths |

Girls

| Lesson 1 | Lesson 2 | Lesson 3 | Dinner | Lesson 4 | Lesson 5 | Lesson 6 |
|----------|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------|----------|
| German | History / Geography | Eugenics / Nazi theory | Sport and music clubs | Health and sex ed | Cookery | Maths |

Eugenics is studying which race of people are the best. The Nazis believed the Germans were the best and the Jews the worst.

Source B: from a speech by Hitler in 1939

My magnificent youngsters! Are there finer ones anywhere in the world? Look at these young men and boys! What material! With them I can make a new world.

My teaching is hard. Weakness has to be knocked out of them. I was a violent, active, dominating and brutal youth. I intend to have an athletic youth. They shall learn to overcome the fear of death. Then I shall have in front of me pure, noble and natural material. With that I can create the new order.



Source C - The different divisions of the Hitler Youth

| Age | Boys | Girls |
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| 6-10 | Pimpfen (The Little Fellows) | |
| 10-14 | Jungvolk (The Young Folk) | Jungmadelbund (Young Girls) |
| 14-18 | Hitler-Jugend (Hitler Youth) | Bund Deutsche Madel (League of German Girls) |

Source D: written after the war by a woman who lived in Nazi Germany

From 10 years old girls were only really taught two things: to take care of their bodies so they could have as many children as possible and to be loyal to the Nazis. The Nazi government offered lots of money to people to get married which they didn't have to repay if they have enough children. Birth control information was practically forbidden. Women lost all rights except that of childbirth and hard work.

Source E: written by a modern historian in 2005

Biology was replaced with eugenics - the study of different races. Children were taught that those with blond hair and blue eyes, the Aryan race, were the best. They were taught that other races were worse, especially the Jews.

History was different to how it is now. It focused on the glory of German achievements and that Germany has a right to be the most powerful country in the world.

Children would have to say poems and prayers about their loyalty to Hitler and how he had saved Germany. Teachers had to obey all of this or they would lose their jobs. Children had to join organisations like the Hitler Youth where they would do lots of outdoor activities and learn to be loyal to Hitler and the Nazis.

Source F: from a Nazi textbook in 1935. Children are taught to recognise Jews.



Source G

Michael Burleigh and Wolfgang Wippermann, 'The Racial State', 1991.

'Jewish children were often insulted by teachers and pupils, and subjected to malevolent injustices. They had to sit at separate desks, and were often forbidden to play with 'Aryan' children during breaks...Jewish children could only escape harassment if they had the chance to attend a Jewish school. Jewish communities, and the *Reich Representation of German Jews*, did everything possible to expand the existing Jewish schools or to create new ones. In 1942, these were forbidden too.'