How did Hitler control Germany?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Point | Evidence | Explain |
| Propaganda |  | This helped Hitler control Germany because.. |
| Terror |  | This helped Hitler control Germany because.. |
| Education |  | This helped Hitler control Germany because.. |

How did Hitler control Germany?

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Point | Evidence | Explain |
| Propaganda/ control of the media | Hitler used a number of different methods of propaganda including posters, leaflets, radio broadcasts and newsreels at the cinema. He controlled existing media, which were only able to present a pro-Nazi message, musicians, writers and actors had to join the Reich Chamber of Culture if they were to have any work published. The Propaganda ministry issued daily orders to the newspapers to tell them what to publish. Censorship Images of Hitler showed him as a god like figure.  | This helped Hitler control Germany because people were constantly bombarded with the pro-Nazi message. They were brainwashed into thinking that the Nazi ideas were the right ones. Images of Hitler encouraged a love and loyalty towards him, which meant people were less likely to rebel against him. People did not hear news from other countries or the beliefs of other political parties and so were solely influenced by the Nazis. |
| Terror | The Nazis used the SS to intimidate the people of Germany, they were involved in a number of aspects of the Nazi regime. Anyone who didn’t follow Nazi demands were sent to concentration camps, which were originally used as prisons, mainly for political prisoners. Whilst there they would be beaten and interrogated and lived in horrendous conditions. The Gestapo was the force most feared by the German people, they could arrest people on suspicion and send them to concentration camps without trial. | This helped Hitler control Germany because people were terrified of standing up to Hitler or even talking about it because they knew what the consequences would be. People often informed on each other because they thought the Gestapo would find out anyway and they would be punished. Hitler used the fear factor to control Germany, as the majority of people were too scared to rebel.  |
| Education | Education was focussed on teaching children the Nazi message and ideals. School subjects were ‘Nazified’ for example history would teach the injustices of the TOV, maths would teach how much would be saved if they were no disabled people in Germany. Children were also taught Eugenics, the science of genes and how the Aryan race was superior. The Hitler Youth and League of German Maidens was introduced to teach boys about the art of war and make them physically fit. Girls were taught domestic skills.  | This helped Hitler control Germany because children were indoctrinated to believe the Nazi message. Every aspect of their education had some sort of Nazi influence. Children were brainwashed and taught a love and loyalty towards Hitler and a hatred of Jews. Boys were taught to be soldiers for the war and girls were taught to be mothers to increase the population. Children so loyal would not think to rebel against Hitler.  |