**Weimar Republic Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[A summary of the Weimar Republic - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/modern-history/mod-weimar-reading/)

1. When was the Weimar Republic established in Germany?
2. What economic event occurred in Germany in 1923 that caused the value of its currency to plummet?
3. Which two extremist political parties gained popularity in Germany due to the economic crises?
4. Who took control of the German government to negotiate an armistice with the Allies in 1918?
5. On what date did Kaiser Wilhelm II abdicate?
6. Why was the new government named the Weimar Republic?
7. Which party had the largest number of seats in the Weimar Republic's parliament?
8. What were some of the restrictions placed on Germany by the Treaty of Versailles?
9. When did the Weimar Constitution come into force?
10. Who became the first President of Germany under the Weimar Republic?
11. What was the main economic challenge faced by the Weimar Republic's government?
12. How often were prices doubling during the hyperinflation crisis of 1923?
13. Why was the Ruhr region occupied by French and Belgian troops in 1923?
14. Who became the Chancellor of Germany in 1923 and introduced the Dawes Plan?
15. What was the main purpose of the Dawes Plan?
16. What major economic event occurred in October 1929 that affected the world?
17. Which party, led by Adolf Hitler, promised to restore Germany to its former glory?
18. What did the Communist Party promise to the German people?
19. In which year did the Nazi Party come to power in Germany?
20. What marked the end of the Weimar Republic?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you learnt in your reading, answer the following question in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*What were the economic* [*causes*](https://www.historyskills.com/historical-knowledge/causes-and-consequences/) *of the failure of the Weimar Republic?*