1. Make some notes in the box below on what we mean by the political spectrum:

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| There are going to be some important key words used:  Fascists:  Marxists/communists:  International Socialists:  Anti-capitalists:  Weimar Republic:  Volksgemenschaft: |

1. Using ***‘The 25 Point Programme’*** sheet, complete the table below:

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| **Source: The Programme of the German Workers’ Party 1920** (i.e. the Nazi Party’s first published statement of beliefs) | | | | |
| **Clauses (statements) in the programme that would appeal to…. *(number the clause, then v brief explain)*** | | | | |
| Nationalists | Racists/anti-Semitics | Socialists/anti-capitalist | | Democracy Haters |
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| **Which of the following groups were more likely to be…. by the programme?** | | | | |
|  | Alienated | | Attracted | |
| People in debt |  | |  | |
| Small business owners |  | |  | |
| Big Industrialists |  | |  | |
| War Profiteers |  | |  | |
| Industrial Workers |  | |  | |
| Ex-soldiers |  | |  | |
| Generals |  | |  | |
| Lower Middle Classes |  | |  | |
| **Why might the Programme of the German Worker’s Party make problems for the new government of the Weimar Republic under President Ebert?** | | | | |

1. Look at the ‘How Socialist were the German Worker’s Party ***REALLY*** ?’ sheet.

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| EVIDENCE THAT THEY WERE SOCIALIST | EVIDENCE THAT THEY WERE NOT SOCIALIST |
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Thinking…

* Do you think Hitler really cared about workers rights?
* Perhaps both sides of your table are right? How could this be? Any alternative explanations?