# When Germans Embraced the Third Reich: An Unsettling Look at How a Nation Turned to Tyranny



### Hitler's First Hundred Days: When Germans Embraced the Third Reich by Peter Fritzsche

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In the aftermath of World War II, the world was left reeling from the horrors of the Holocaust and the rise of the Nazi regime. How could a nation with such a rich history and culture have succumbed to such evil? In his groundbreaking book, *When Germans Embraced the Third Reich*, historian Richard J. Evans explores the factors that led to the rise of the Nazis and how ordinary Germans came to support it.

Evans argues that the rise of the Nazis cannot be attributed to any single factor. Rather, it was the result of a complex interplay of political, economic, and social factors. The Treaty of Versailles, which ended World War I, left Germany humiliated and economically devastated. The Weimar Republic, which was established in the aftermath of the war, was weak and unstable.

This created a fertile ground for the growth of extremist movements, including the Nazis.

The Nazis exploited the economic and political instability of the Weimar Republic to their advantage. They promised to restore Germany to its former glory and to avenge the humiliation of Versailles. They also appealed to the fears and prejudices of many Germans. By scapegoating Jews and other minorities, the Nazis were able to tap into a deep well of resentment and anger.

As the Nazis rose to power, they systematically dismantled the Weimar Republic and established a totalitarian dictatorship. They suppressed all forms of dissent and terrorized the population. They also began to implement their plans for racial purification, which culminated in the Holocaust.

When Germans Embraced the Third Reich is a chilling and thoughtprovoking account of how a nation can turn to tyranny. Evans's meticulous research and clear writing make this book an essential read for anyone interested in history, politics, or the human condition.

#### Praise for When Germans Embraced the Third Reich

"A magisterial work that will stand as the definitive account of the rise of the Nazis for years to come." — *The New York Times* 

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"A must-read for anyone who wants to understand the rise of fascism and the dangers of unchecked nationalism." — *The Guardian* 

#### **About the Author**

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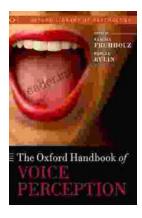
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