Pima Community College
East Campus

Reading Assignment
"Nazism in the classroom" and “Girls in Uniform”
by Lisa Pine from History Today

Please answer each question with a short analytical essay. A short essay is approximately 2 to 4 paragraphs. You must support your conclusions with information pulled from the reading to properly answer each question. The essay must be typed on a word-processor, on white paper, font 11 pt Arial or similar, 1 inch margins, name/ date/reading/class as the top header.

Please type the question and then the answer to the question. Please number your questions. Do not double-space the questions. Double-space your answers.

Read the following articles:

Nazism in the classroom, Lisa Pine. History Today April 1997 v47 n4 p22(6)

Girls in Uniform, Lisa Pine. History Today March 1999 v49 i3 p24(1)

Answer the Following Questions:

1. How were school textbooks and the League of German Maidens (BDM) used by the Nazi's to teach Nazi ideology?

2. How were women portrayed in school texts and children’s books in Nazi Germany? Was it similar to how young women of League of German Maidens (BDM) taught to behave (conduct themselves)?

3. How was the League of German Maidens (BDM) used to socialize young women into nazi society? Did it’s focus change during World War II?

4. Using both articles explain why peasant values and the ability to trace one's lineage (ancestry) important to Nazi ideology.

5. Explain the phrase “individual independence was not valued” and its significance to Nazi ideology. Do both articles provide examples in support of such a statement?