How Hitler became Chancellor of Germany – 1932-1933

January 1932

Adolf Hitler
Leader of the Nationalist Socialist German Worker’s Party – The extreme right wing Nazi Party

Heinrich Bruning
Chancellor of the Weimar Republic. He was the leader of the moderate Centre Party.

Kurt von Schleicher
An army general. Although not an elected politician, he was friends with Hindenburg and often advised him.

Paul von Hindenburg
Current President of the Weimar Republic. WW1 hero, hated Hitler.

Franz von Papen
A rich but not well known politician, he was an ex-army general and was close friends with Hindenburg.

Ernst Thalmann
Leader of the German Communist Party. The Nazi Party’s main political enemy.

March 1932

April 1932

May 1932
EXTENSION: Why are these people responsible for Hitler becoming Chancellor of Germany?

Heinrich Bruning: ______________________________________________________________________________________________________

Adolf Hitler: _________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Paul von Hindenburg: __________________________________________________________________________________________________

Kurt von Schleicher: __________________________________________________________________________________________________

Franz von Papen: ______________________________________________________________________________________________________

EXTENSION 2: Which of these people deserve the most responsibility? Answer in your book.