**Analysis activity 2.4: Historian analysis**

Why did the Nazi Party win seats in elections?

*The majority of Germans never voted for the Nazis. The Nazis made it clear that they would destroy democracy and all who stood in their way. Why then didn’t their enemies join together to stop Hitler? … Had the Communists and Socialists joined forces they would probably have been strong enough both in the Reichstag and on the streets to have blocked the Nazis. The fact was that by 1932–33 there were simply not enough Germans who believed in democracy and individual freedom to save the Weimar Republic.*

S. Williams, *The Rise and Fall of Hitler’s Germany,* 1986

1. List the two things that the author believes the Nazis would destroy.

1. List the two reasons the author uses to explain why the Nazis were not stopped.