

# NAZISM

A. Hitler  
J. Gobbels

- extreme nationalism - the leader & state one and the same
- Extreme racism (biological, social, political, economic, cultural exiles) ANTI-SEMITISM & HATE
- "peoples community" was exclusively based on race
- power gained not by violent revolution but through a weakened democratic process turned dictatorship
- Hitler mythology & the Führer cult - mobilization of the masses around the leader
- Idolization of Hitler - imagery, symbols, uniform, salute
- highly managed image/public perception through sophisticated propaganda campaigns & techniques (radio, film, news, billboard)
- innovation in terms of how politics & nation building was done - e.g., use of airplane to campaign, focus on youth, use of propaganda
- fear in civilians to oppose Hitler/Nazis
- Extreme nationalism fuelled extreme militarism
- extreme imperialism (reunification of a "greater Germany") public show, ceremony
- private army/police/paramilitary
- use of rallies & "the spectacle" where it became one man and the masses (loss of individual identity) e.g., Nuremberg
- ban/persecution of any opposition (prison, disappearances, book burning)
- Citizen participation in violence against racial groups (e.g., Kristallnacht)
- "use Jews as a lightning rod for all injustices" (Heinrich Class)
- Jews were to be made the scapegoat for the NATIONAL HUMILIATION of defeat in WW1
- legalizing a racist hierarchy (e.g., Nuremberg Laws)
- power comes from a strong collectivism not individualism

# FACISM

B. Mussolini

- extreme right wing authoritarianism
- extreme nationalism
- extreme militarism
- private army/police/paramilitary (leader has a personal army)
- leader cult (crafted image, idolization, charismatic, super human qualities) Mussolini "Il Duce"
- leader rules with brute force
- propaganda, symbolization important tools of power
- large public rallies
- distinct architecture and monument building
- a clear connection to past glorious empires is desired (e.g., Roman Empire)
- extreme imperialism (e.g., Italy and the annexation of Ethiopia - use of illegal mustard gas)

## Japan (Emperor Hirohito)

- living god - divine mission to rule Asia
- desired more territory/natural resources for Empire building
- use of propaganda to hide atrocities/desensitize soldiers
- extreme censorship (Tatsuzo Ishikawa's novel "Living Soldier" depicting the horrors & dehumanizing effects of war)

- Equality for all /workers utopia
- State focus on industrialization
- Stalin a stable leader (a "safe pair of hands")/not a leader cult
- demanded citizens total loyalty/trust, even if painful sacrifices required
- rule by uncertainty, fear and TERROR
- use of forced labour camps
- genocide of Ukrainians by famine (Holodomor)
- forced collectivization
- no private property rights
- state owns economy

# COMMUNISM

J. Stalin

① Authoritarian/Totalitarian Dictatorship

— ② aggressive propaganda

/// ③ surveillance

/// ④ extreme censorship

⑤ police state (unlimited power)