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- III BA HEM
- History of the USA

Economic Troubles

- Economic trouble in Italy, the Soviet Union, and Germany
 - Italy- 26% unemployment
 - Germany- 30%+ unemployment, weak government
 - Soviet Union- Revolution, new leadership

Economic Troubles

- “Desperate times call for desperate measures”
- Someone to take control of the situation
 - Benito Mussolini: Italy
 - Joseph Stalin: Soviet Union
 - Adolf Hitler: Germany

Question...

- How could an event like the Great Depression lead to the rise of totalitarian governments?

The Rise of Communism, Fascism and Nazism



Joseph Stalin

- Communist Revolutionary in the Soviet Union
- Gained control of the SU when Vladimir Lenin died after a struggle with popular Soviet figure Leon Trotsky
- Famously killed more people than Hitler





What is Communism?

Benito Mussolini



- *IL DUCE*
- 1922- Named Prime Minister of Italy (March on Rome)
- Head of the National Fascist Party
- Control over the Italian Military

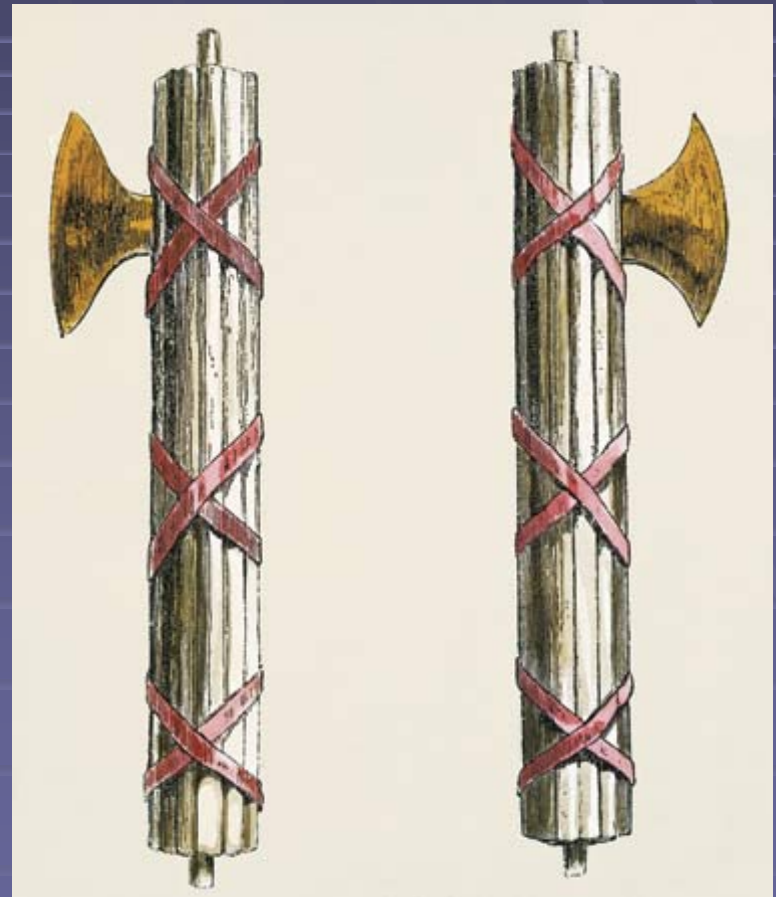
Mussolini and Fascism

- One of the key creators of Fascist ideology
- “Italy wants peace, work, and calm. I will give these things with love if possible, with force if necessary”
- “Believe, Obey, Fight”



What is Fascism?

- Extreme Nationalism
- Militarist Expansion
- Strong Government Control
- Anti-Communist
- Charismatic Leader



Adolf Hitler



- Desired to be an artist but was rejected from art school
- Joined Austrian army in WWI
- Wounded several times, decorated soldier
- Came back and join small extremist group known as the National Socialist German Workers Party (Nazi Party) (55th Member)

Hitler and Nazism



- Believed he was German Messiah, Anti-Jewish
- “By the skillful and sustained use of propaganda, one can make a people see even heaven as hell or an extremely wretched life as paradise”
- “Hate is more lasting than dislike”

What is Nazism?

- Extreme Nationalism
- Anti-Semitic (Anti-Jewish)
- Militarist Expansion
- Forceful Leader
- Strong Government control
- Anti-Communist
- Aryan Race, Purification of the Races

