

Hitler Propaganda

Essential Question: In what ways have people of power contributed to a climate of fear within society?

Background: Like Stalin and many other dictators, Hitler used propaganda to force his way of thinking onto the masses. Below, you will find a poster created by Hitler's propaganda machine.



Directions: Circle one part of the image that could be used as evidence to support the claim below, and explain why you chose this as evidence of the claim.

Claim: This piece of propaganda was designed to show that Jews are a threat to others in society.

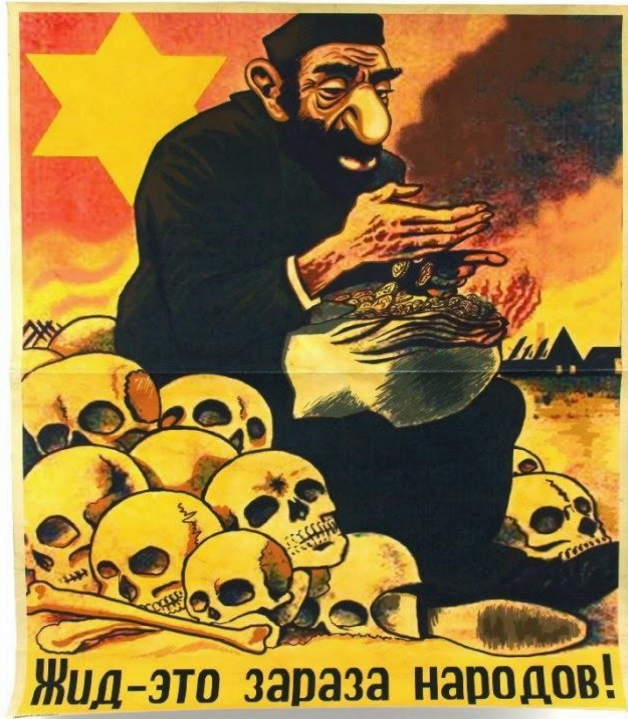
I circled 1) skulls 2) fire 3) counting money 4) the man dressed in black 5) his arm because 1) represent death 2) cleansing for disease 3) the man cares more about money than about those around him being dead.

4) He is dressed all in black - another representation of death. 5) His arm looks like it is diseased.

Image Summary

A political cartoon showing a Jewish man dressed in all black who seems more concerned about counting his money than the fact that everyone around him is dead. Beneath the illustration, it is translated as “**Jews: A People of Contagion**”.

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What kind of text/document is this?
propaganda poster

Where was it probably published?
(i.e. book, magazine, etc.)
newspapers, magazines, public places

How would those who **were in favor of forced evacuation/eradication** see this cartoon?

support of their reasoning for getting rid of the Jews. Jews are a poison on society, thinking only of money rather than the people around them.

How would those who **were NOT in favor of forced evacuation/eradication** see this cartoon?

A fallacy. An example of a generalization - lumping all Jews into the same category (money hungry, diseased - disease was prevalent among the entire German/Jewish population due to lack of good nutrition, necessities and sanitation.)

What groups or viewpoints are omitted from this message?

Those of the population being accused. Those who disagreed with this type of stereotyping.

Based on your answers are you more/less likely to trust this source as a representation of attitudes concerning “the Jewish Question”? Why or Why not?

As a follower of the Nazis - yes. This type propaganda supports the need for segregation and eradication. However, not all Germans were members of the Nazi party nor did they support the Nazi propaganda or policies put into place. The attitudes reflected in the poster are a direct product of Nazi beliefs regarding “the Jewish Question”.