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Chapter 14 Section 1: The Road to World War II

**Read the text and answer the following questions.**

1. How did dictators in other parts of the world try to fix the conditions (that were even worse) caused by the Depression in their countries?

2. What was a totalitarian government and what were three countries that had them in the 1920s and 30s?

3. What is the philosophy of fascism that Germany and Italy based their governments on?

4. Who was Benito Mussolini and how did he come to power in Italy?

5. What three political moves did he make after coming to power? What was his reason?

6. Who was Adolf Hitler and what did he have in common with Mussolini?

7. What political party did he join and quickly become the leader of?

8. Why did he go to prison and what was Mein Kampf?

9. What were three of Hitler’s idea in Mein Kampf?

10. What did Hitler promise the German people?

11. What three things was Hitler able to do because of his popularity?

12. How did Hitler violate the Versailles Treaty (signed after WWI) in 1936?

13. Who were the Axis powers? Why did they form?

14. What bold moves did Hitler moves?

15. What was the policy of appeasement practiced by England and France? Why did they do it?

16. What happened six months later?

17. What happened on September 1st 1939 and why?

18. What was a “blitzkrieg” or “lightning war” and where did it happen?

19. What heroic feat did the British accomplish?

20. What happened in June of 1940?