# **WWII Background: Types of Governments Competing Visions of the World**

Imperia	l Mon	archy
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- Pretty much killed by WWI
- Empires that collapse:

Liberal Democracy					
Liberal =					
<ul> <li>government should protect individual liber</li> </ul>	ties.				
American Individualism.					
<ul> <li>Democracy = Majority Rules</li> </ul>					
Works with: individuals drive commerce.					
<ul> <li>Gov't. protects private property, Lais</li> </ul>	ssez-Faire otherwise.				
&	set up liberal democracies				
post-WWI.					
Communism					
Views history as a struggle between the	class and the				
class.					

• Achieved through revolution which had to be protected and spread.

## An international ideology

• End goal:

### **Fascism**

	Views	history	as a	struaale	between	nations
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• Aggressive, militaristic society

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• Nations must fight, superior nations prevail and dominate weaker ones.

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o Government prescribes lifestyle, "protects superior culture"

### **The Political Spectrum**

Left Right

### **Totalitarianism**

• Several totalitarian dictators emerge in the lead up to WWII.

### **Dictator:**

### **Totalitarianism:**

Totalitarian dictators emerge on the Left and the Right.

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# Germany Post-WWI Who wins WWI? What ends the war? What does the treaty do? German Empire collapses, the \_\_\_\_\_\_ is founded. Allies, esp. France, impose harsh reparations payments on Germany German military disbanded When Germany can't pay up in 1923,

Germany sinks into deep depression,

# How did Hitler Rise to power in a democratic society? (video)

