Understanding Nationalism

Chapter Highlights

Chapter 6: Nationalism and Ultranationalism

This chapter investigates factors of ultranationalism such as propaganda, charismatic leaders, and environments that lead to ultranationalism.

Chapter Issue: How can nationalism lead to ultranationalism?

In this chapter you will learn about the following concepts:

- That ultranationlism shifts from liking one's own nation to hostility toward other nations;
- Propaganda is information and ideas that are spread to reach a goal;
- The Great Depression provided fertile ground for extreme nationalism; and,
- That often ultranationalism is accompanied by charismatic dictators.

Topics covered in this chapter include:

- 1. What is ultranationalism?
- 2. How ultranationalism develops.
- 3. How have people responded to ultranationalism?

You will apply these skills to your understanding of nationalism and ultranationalism:

- 1. **Examine** a map of Kosovo to determine the location of ethnic Albanians and Serbs.
- 2. **Explain** how three major nations followed a similar course in the years between World War I and World War II.
- 3. **View** a map of Europe showing the expansion of Germany from 1933–1939.
- 4. **Examine** the impact of Nazi slogans on ultranationalism.
- 5. **Present** an example of propaganda.
- 6. **Explain** your views on whether you believe it is acceptable to use propaganda in times of crisis such as war.