

# **Illuminating** Through Inquiry

### **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 <u>one</u> 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

because

#### **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?

Where was it probably published? (i.e. book, magazine, etc.)

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

How would those who were NOT in

favor of forced evacuation/eradication see this cartoon?

What groups or viewpoints are omitted from this message?

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?

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What does the "Jewish Question" mean?

--It was a debate in the 19th/20th century about the treatment of the Jews in society.



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