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Unit Seven, Section Four: Europe Between the Wars

**Hitler Takes Control**

ADOLF HITLER:

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**Hitler Defies Versailles Treaty**

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APPEASEMENT:

**Western Democracies Fail**

Instead of taking a stand against Fascist aggression in the 1930s, Britain and France repeatedly made concessions, hoping to keep peace. Both nations were dealing with serious economic problems as a result of the Great Depression. In addition the horrors of World War I had created a deep desire to avoid war. Allowing Hitler and Mussolini small territorial gains seemed a small price to pay for peace.

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