A project of the magnitude of The Holocaust could not have been achieved alone. These were Hitler's willing helpers:

THE GESTAPO: The *Geheime Staatspolizei* is German for *Secret State Police* and abbreviated "Gestapo". The Gestapo was the Nazi internal security police for its terrorist methods directed against those suspected of treason or questionable loyalty.

THE SS: The *Schutzstaffel* is German for *Protection Squadrons* and abbreviated the "SS". The SS perceived themselves as the "racial elite" of Nazi future. The SS controlled the German police forces and the concentration camp system.

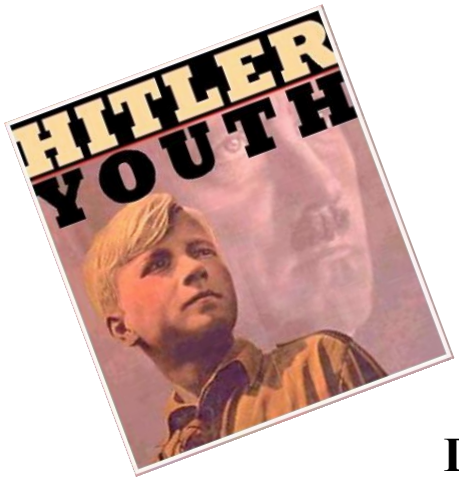
The SA (Brown Shirts) : The *Sturmabteilung* – SA (storm troopers) was the Nazi militia created in 1921 and helped him rise to power. Eventually they were eclipsed by the SS.

HITLER'S TOP BRASS

Heinrich Himmler **Commander of the SS**	**Herman Goering** **Commander of Airforce (Luftwaffe)** **Founder of the Gestapo**
Martin Bormann **Head of Chancellery** Hitler's private secretary. He controlled all access to Hitler.	**Joseph Goebbels** **Minister of Propaganda** Controlled the news media and delivered speeches that incited hate.
Adolf Eichmann **Key plotter of Holocaust** Facilitated the mass deportations	**ReinharD Heydrich** **"The Hangman"** Key leader of Final Solution
Karl Donitz **U-boat Commander and Commander of the German Army**	**Albert Spier** **Chief Architect, Minister of Armaments and War Production**
Joachim Von Ribbentrop **Foreign Minister**	**Walther FuNK** **Minister of Economics**
Josef Kramer **"The Beast of Belsen"** In charge of gas chambers at Auschwitz	**Joseph Mengele** **"Angel of Death"** Performed horrible experiments on inmates.
Friedrich Jeckeln **Police Leader in Soviet Union.**	**Ammon Goeth** **"The Butcher of Plaszow"**
Wilhelm Keital **Field Marshall**	**Erich Raeder** **Commander of Naval Force**

The "HITLER YOUTH"

Hitler's goal was not to develop thinking individuals, but rather 'little Hitlers'. School subjects were reduced to indoctrination of Nazi thought. For example:
History: History of the world is to be regarded from a racial point of view; the crown of all teaching of history consists of nothing by following the Fuhrer.
Algebra: How many people can seek protection in a bomb-proof celled of 5x4x2.25 m
Biology: Identify difference in skull types between Aryans and Slavs.
Likewise, the purpose of "Hitler Youth", the only approved Youth Group, in which attendance was mandatory, was building the character that Hitler wanted: to automatically approve of everything the State did. "People who are raised to believe that their nation, their community, and their society comprise the highest good -- such people can also be made to kill for these things without feeling the slightest pang of conscience, on the contrary, they will feel good after having done their duty". -*WWII and the Holocaust.* Hitler's expectation of German children was that the "**The weak must be chiseled away. I want young men and women who can suffer pain. A young German must be as swift as a greyhound, as tough as leather, and as hard as Krupp's steel."** After Hitler came to power, all other youth movements were abolished and the Hitler Youth grew to 4 million members. Hitler Youth had divisions for girls, boys 10-14 and boys 15-18. Hitler Youth were indoctrinated into racism, boys participated in military training (including daily 11 mile marches), and molded with the attitude that they were "Aryan Supermen". They were used to break up Church youth movements, interfere with church attendance, cause riots, and eventually older boys were drafted into the war effort.







Don't be fooled by propaganda.
Belonging to Hitler Youth was mandatory - like it or not.

Propaganda:

Biased or misleading info, used to promote or publicize a particular political cause or point. of view.