

UNIT 7 VOCAB GUIDE

Lesson 7.1

authoritarian

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Part of speech	adjective/noun
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fascism

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Great Depression

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Part of speech	proper noun
Use in sentence	The Great Depression was a time of bankruptcy and hardships for the citizens of many countries trying to recover from World War I.

nationalism

Definition	the idea that citizens of a country are part of something bigger than themselves and that they are loyal to a set of national ideals and practices
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	A wave of nationalism swept the country after its citizens were attacked.

totalitarian

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Part of speech	adjective/noun
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Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The collectivization of factories in the Soviet Union theoretically put industry in the hands of the workers.

dictator

Definition	a ruler who has supreme and total authority, especially one who has seized power or who uses it harshly or selfishly
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The dictator ruled the country with an iron fist for decades.

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sterilization

Definition	the act of rendering unable to reproduce, as by removing or damaging the reproductive organs
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The involuntary sterilization of people of color was a cruel and oppressive act.

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antisemitism

Definition	prejudice, discrimination, or hostility toward Jews
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The genocide of the Holocaust was largely motivated by the Nazi's antisemitism.

appeasement

Definition	a political strategy or policy that favors conflict avoidance, attempting to bring about a state of peace, quiet, ease, or calm
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	After World War I, many citizens approved of Chamberlain's acts of appeasement, hoping to satisfy Hitler and prevent another war.

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internationalism

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Use in sentence	Internationalism ideas were key to the success of the Allies.

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communism

Definition	the theory of a classless social system in which all property and means of production are owned in common; socialist theory deriving from the works of Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels and adopted by the Soviet Union
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	China adopted communism as their political and economic system in 1949.

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embargo

Definition	to place a government injunction or other legal restriction on trade or the shipment of goods
Part of speech	verb/noun
Use in sentence	The government embargoed imports of beef temporarily.

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infrastructure

Definition	the physical assets and systems that enable our daily lives, including transportation, energy, buildings, and sanitation
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Extreme weather events like floods, hurricanes, and wildfires can damage or destroy infrastructure.

neutrality

Definition	the foreign policy of a nation that refuses to take sides in an international dispute
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	Sweden adopted neutrality in the early 1800s, and its military did not participate in either of the two world wars.

regime

Definition	a system of rule, government, or administration
Part of speech	noun
Use in sentence	The people suffered under the dictator's oppressive regime.

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total war

Definition	global war in which all warring nations mobilize for the war effort including soldier and civilian populations, who are both participants and targets; usually defined as meeting four criteria: mobilization, blurring of lines between citizen and civilian, total control of society, and rejection of a compromise peace
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Use in sentence	World War I was an example of total war.

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