

THE RISE OF NATIONALISM IN EUROPE

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SPARK | French Revolution & Napoleon

▶ Sorrieu 1848

- Utopian vision — democratic republics ★
- 4 prints — nations marching with their flags
- Absolutist = ruler with no limits on power

▶ French Revolution 1789 ★

- First clear expression of nationalism ★
- Sovereignty → PEOPLE (not the king!) ★
- Tricolour replaces royal standard ★
- National Assembly (renamed Estates General) ★
- Uniform laws · one French language · free trade ★
- Jacobin Clubs — spread ideas to Holland, Belgium, Italy

▶ Napoleon ★

- Civil Code 1804 — equality before law · right to property ★
- Abolished feudal system · Freed serfs from serfdom
- GAVE: roads + railways + equal currency + free trade
- TOOK: democracy + heavy taxes + conscription + censorship ★
- Initially welcomed as liberators → soon turned hostile ★

LIBERALISM | Liberal Nationalism + Zollverein 1834

▶ Core Ideas of Liberalism ★

- LIBER (Latin) = FREE ★
- Freedom of individual · equality before law ★
- Government by consent · Constitution + Parliament ★
- Free press · free markets · no trade barriers ★

▶ Key Limitation ★

- Only property-owning MEN could vote ★
- Women + non-propertied men EXCLUDED ★
- Source C: Welcker vs Otto-Peters vs Anonymous ★
- Napoleon reduced women to 'minor' status in law ★

▶ Zollverein 1834 ★

- Customs Union formed by Prussia ★
- Hamburg → Nuremberg: 11 borders, 5% duty at each ★
- Frankfurt: 54.7cm = 1 elle | Nuremberg: 65.6cm = 1 elle
- 30+ currencies reduced to just 2 ★
- Railways built → connected people and goods
- Economic nationalism → Political nationalism ★
- Friedrich List: 'bind Germans economically into a nation' ★

CONSERVATISM | *Vienna Congress 1815 + Conservatism*

▶ **Conservatism Defined** ★

- Preserve tradition · Protect Monarchy + Church ★
- Prefer gradual change · Maintain social hierarchy
- Censorship — no free press · no dissent allowed ★

▶ **Vienna Congress 1815** ★

- Host: Duke Metternich (Austrian Chancellor) ★
- Britain + Russia + Prussia + Austria present
- Bourbon dynasty RESTORED in France ★
- Kingdom of Netherlands (incl. Belgium) created
- Prussia got western territories · Austria got N. Italy
- Russia got part of Poland
- Goal: UNDO Napoleon's changes + restore old order ★

▶ **Metternich's Famous Quote** ★

- 'When France sneezes, the rest of Europe catches cold.' ★
- This became famous — captures how 1830 revolution spread!

REVOLUTIONARIES | *Mazzini + Revolutions 1830–1848*

▶ **Giuseppe Mazzini** ★

- Born Genoa 1805 ★
- Joined Carbonari (secret society) 1829
- Exiled 1831 for revolution attempt ★
- Founded Young Italy — Marseilles 1831 ★
- Founded Young Europe — Berne 1834 ★
- Believed nations = God's natural units of mankind ★
- Metternich: 'Most dangerous enemy of our social order' ★

▶ **Revolutions 1830–48** ★

- France 1830: Bourbon overthrown → Louis Philippe ★
- Belgium breaks from Netherlands (July Revolution spreads) ★
- Greece 1821–32 : Lord Byron died fighting 1824 ★
- Treaty of Constantinople 1832 → Greece INDEPENDENT ★
- Silesian Weavers 1845: wages cut → revolt → 11 shot ★
- Led by educated middle classes: professors, clerks, artisans ★

▶ **Frankfurt Parliament 1848** ★

- 18 May 1848 — Church of St Paul, Frankfurt ★
- 831 elected representatives marched to parliament ★
- Drafted constitution for German nation with parliament
- Crown offered to Friedrich Wilhelm IV of Prussia
- He REJECTED it — joined monarchs to suppress ★
- Troops called in → Assembly DISBANDED ★
- Women admitted only as gallery observers — denied vote ★

UNIFICATION | *Unification — Germany · Italy · Britain*

▶ **Germany 1871** ★

- Bismarck = 'Architect of German Unity' ★
- 'Blood and Iron' policy — military not democracy ★
- War 1 (1864) vs Denmark → Prussia WINS ★
- War 2 (1866) vs Austria → Prussia WINS (Austro-Prussian) ★
- War 3 (1870–71) vs France → Prussia WINS (Franco-Prussian) ★
- 18 January 1871 — Hall of Mirrors, Versailles ★
- Kaiser William I proclaimed (Bismarck = Chief Minister!) ★

▶ **Italy 1861** ★

- Mazzini = THE DREAMER (Young Italy, failed revolutions) ★
- Cavour = THE DIPLOMAT (spoke French! Alliance with France) ★
- Garibaldi = THE SOLDIER (Red Shirts · Expedition of Thousand 1860) ★
- Victor Emmanuel II = King of United Italy 1861 ★
- Venetia joined 1866 · Papal States joined 1870 (LAST) ★
- Fun fact: peasants thought 'La Talia' was the king's wife! 😊

▶ **Britain** ★

- No revolution — gradual parliament-led process ★
- 1688: Parliament seized power from monarchy
- Act of Union 1707: England + Scotland = United Kingdom ★
- Scotland: Gaelic language + Highland dress BANNED ★
- Catholic clans repressed · Ireland revolts crushed
- 1801: Ireland forcibly joined the United Kingdom ★
- Union Jack + National Anthem + English language = new identity

CULTURE | *Romanticism · Art · Music · Language*

▶ **Romanticism** ★

- Cultural movement: EMOTIONS, INTUITION, MYSTICAL FEELINGS ★
- Goal: create shared COLLECTIVE HERITAGE = basis of nation ★
- NOT reason or science — feeling and shared spirit

▶ **Art** ★

- Delacroix — 'Massacre at Chios' 1824 ★
- 20,000 Greeks killed by Turks on Chios island
- Painting aroused European sympathy → art = political tool ★

▶ **Folk Stories (Grimm Brothers)** ★

- Grimm Brothers collected German folk tales for 6 years ★
- Das Volk = common people · Volksgeist = spirit of nation ★
- 1812: First collection published — popular with adults + children
- Saw French domination as threat to German culture
- Carried nationalist message to ILLITERATE audiences ★

▶ **Language** ★

- Polish language BANNED by Russia after occupation ★
- Used secretly in churches + all religious instruction ★
- Priests jailed or sent to Siberia for refusing to preach in Russian ★
- Language became a weapon of national RESISTANCE ★

▶ Music

- Karol Kurpinski (Poland) — operas celebrating national struggle
- Polonaise + Mazurka folk dances → nationalist symbols ★

SYMBOLS | Allegories + Nationalism + Imperialism

▶ Allegory — What Is It? ★

- Abstract idea expressed through a person or a thing ★
- Nations portrayed as FEMALE FIGURES (not real women) ★
- Female figure = idea of Liberty, Justice, the Republic

▶ Marianne (France) ★

- Popular Christian name → underlines 'a people's nation' ★
- Red cap = Liberty · Tricolour flag · Cockade = Republic ★
- Statues in public squares · On coins and stamps ★

▶ Germania (Germany) ★

- Crown of OAK LEAVES = HEROISM ★
- Broken chains = Being FREED ★
- Sword = Readiness to fight ★
- Olive branch on sword = Willingness to make peace
- Black-Red-Gold tricolour = liberal-nationalist flag 1848 ★
- Rays of rising sun = Beginning of new era
- 1836: Kaiser's crown at top → 1848: Broken chain — WHY? ★

▶ Nationalism + Imperialism ★

- Early (1789–48): idealistic · liberal · democratic ★
- Late (post-1871): aggressive · intolerant · used for empire ★
- Balkans = most serious source of tension after 1871 ★
- Ottoman Empire disintegrating · Slavic nationalities rising
- Big powers competing: Russia · Germany · Britain · Austro-Hungary ★
- Series of Balkan wars → WORLD WAR I 1914 ★