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Hitler and Voldemort

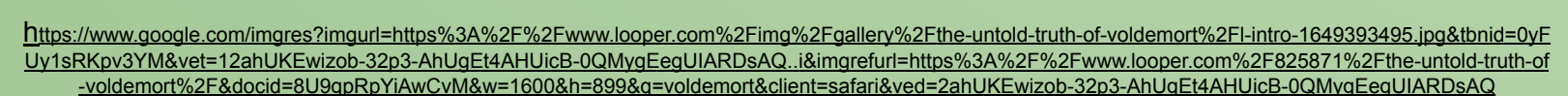
- Both sought a pure-blood society. Hitler wanted an Aryan race and Voldemort wanted the wizarding world to be “pureblood.”
- Neither are their own version of the ideal. Voldemort had a muggle father and Hitler was a brunette with brown eyes.
- Both Voldemort and Hitler were able to successfully take over the schools and have their ideology taught.
- Each have very distinct facial features with Hitler’s mustache and Voldemort’s lack of a nose.

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Lord Voldemort



The Dark Mark and *Totenkopf*

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SS and Death Eaters

- The Nazi Death Mark, *Totenkopf*, is very similar to the Death Eater Dark Mark emblem. The primary feature of both is a bare human skull. The Death Mark has crossbones behind the skull, whereas the Dark Mark has a snake unfurling from the mouth. The names alone are enough to draw comparisons.
- Both the SS and Death Eaters had to go into hiding after the defeat of their leader and were chased by groups of individuals trying to bring them to justice.

Victims and Muggles

- The Nazis' victims were often worked to death in labor camps if not killed outright or sent to extermination camps.
- Muggles in Harry Potter were historically used for labor and often died during their work; as shown by the image below.
- Wizards were often encouraged to distance themselves from Muggles and abstain from forming romantic attachments.
- Similar to Nazis and Jews, there were no distinguishable features between Muggles and Wizards. You had to research the ancestry to determine what someone was.



“Magic Is Might” statue in the Ministry of Magic

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