



**At what point does a stereotype
become dangerous?**



A joke

A rumor

A repeated assumption

A public speech

A law

A policy

Violence



FROM STEREOTYPES TO SYSTEMS

How Antisemitic Ideas Became Policy



KEY INQUIRY QUESTION

How do
stereotypes
become
powerful enough
to shape laws
and society?



EXPLAINED

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Exaggerated features referencing antisemitic stereotypes include: dark, curly hair; enlarged, hooked nose; snarling facial expression.

The British flag symbolizes Jews' perceived loyalty to Great Britain and disloyalty to Germany.

The hammer and sickle and the dollar sign denote contradictory stereotypes, presenting Jews as both Communist traitors and greedy capitalists.

Antisemitism

- Judging or treating Jewish people unfairly because of harmful stereotypes.

Existed in Europe long before the Holocaust



COMMON HISTORICAL STEREOTYPES

- Harmful stereotypes portrayed Jewish people as:
 - Disloyal
 - Greedy
 - Dangerous
 - Controlling
- These were false and intentionally spread.



1. Why might societies blame one group during times of crisis?
2. Why are stereotypes easier than complex explanations?



ESCALATION PATTERN

Stereotype

Social Acceptance

Law & Policy

Persecution



LAW & POLICY

- Example: Nuremberg Laws (1935)
- Removed citizenship
- Restricted rights
- Legally separated Jewish people



SEGREGATION AND VIOLENCE





The Progression of Stereotypes

Stage	What Happens	Example from History
Stereotype		
Laws		
Actions		

ACTIVITY

- In each row, explain what happened at that stage.
- Give at least one specific historical example.



How does Rose's story reflect this larger system?



- Based on today's lesson, what new consequences need to be added?

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