

Arnold Schwarzenegger talks to Russian people

EVEL 2 INTERMEDIATE



74-year-old actor and politician Arnold Schwarzenegger posted a video on social media to tell Russian soldiers and people the truth about the war in Ukraine.

The video was nine minutes long, and it had Russian subtitles. Schwarzenegger wanted to get through Russian **propaganda**, and he said true facts about the war. He said that Russian people didn't know the truth, and thousands of Russian soldiers had already died in the war.

He also said that it wasn't true that Ukrainian people were **Nazis** and that the Ukrainian president was actually **Jewish**.

Schwarzenegger said that Russian people were his friends, and he asked the Russian president Vladimir Putin to stop the war which he started.

Difficult words: propaganda (when a government or political leader spreads information which is not true to change people's opinions), **Nazi** (a person with extreme ideas and hates some people because of where they come from, and he supports the ideas of Adolf Hitler), **Jewish** (a person or nation who historically came from Israel).



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Discussion Questions



- 1. Define the following words: propaganda, Nazi and Jewish
- 2. What was the video that Arnold Schwarzenegger posted on social media about?
- 3. According to Arnold Schwarzenegger, did Russian people know the truth about Russian propaganda?
- 4. Is Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelensky a Nazi?
- 5. What kind of relationship does Arnold Schwarzenegger have with Russian people?

Express Your Thoughts

- 1. What do you know about Arnold Schwarzenegger?
- 2. What is your opinion about Arnold Schwarzenegger's anti-war video that he posted on social media?
- 3. Does your country support Russia or Ukraine? Why?