

UNIT 6 UNIFICATION OF ITALY AND GERMANY

6:2a: The Unification of Italy



Europe 1740

- ✓ **1849-1878:** The Reign of Victor Emmanuel II of Piedmont-Sardinia.
- ✓ **1852:** Camillo Cavour becomes the premier of Sardinia Piedmont.
- ✓ **1859:** Piedmont and France defeat Austria.
- ✓ **1860:** Garibaldi and his Red Shirts land in Sicily.
- ✓ **1861:** The Kingdom of Italy is proclaimed; Victor Emmanuel II becomes King of Italy.

6:2b: The Unification of Italy

- ✓ **1866:** Prussia defeats Austria in the Seven Weeks War and Italy annexes Venetia.
- ✓ **1870:** After France declares war on Prussia, Italy annexes Rome.
- Giuseppe Mazzini (1805-1872)



Mazzini

- ✓ founded the Young Italy Society.
- ✓ his ideas inspired those around him.
- ✓ "...without unity there is no true nation, without unity there is no real strength and Italy surrounded as she is by powerful and jealous nations, has need for strength above all things..."

6:2c: The Unification of Italy



- Giuseppe Garibaldi (1807-1882)

- ✓ led 10 000 guerilla fighters known as the Red Shirts.
- ✓ his actions forced Cavour to become involved.

- Count Cavour (1810-1861)

- ✓ Prime Minister of Piedmont in 1852.
- ✓ Manipulated Garibaldi's march for his conservative ends.
- ✓ Joined forces with France, against Russia in the Crimean War.

