

The Big Lie

**The “Big Lie,”
a term that originates with Hitler,
became central to American political
discourse after I applied it to Trump's
claim to have won an election he had lost.**

**The concept of the “Big Lie,”
which I reintroduced into discussion in
2019 and 2020, helped millions of people
see how mendacity of a certain scale
affects politics over time,
making democracy ever more difficult.**

Timothy Snyder, *Bloodlands*