

The Battle Of Berlin



Causes: The cause of the Battle of Berlin was the result of the Nazi Party's contribution to World War II. The Russians were allies with the Germans in the Second World War until the 22nd of June 1941 when Germany launched a surprise attack on Russia which failed making enemies with the Soviet Union.

What Happened?: The Russian Army attacked Seelow Heights in the east which was the last line they had to break through before reaching Berlin, the heart of Germany. The Soviet Forces fought over four days against the Wehrmacht and eventually won the battle. After this the Soviet Army was able to get to Berlin. They encircled the city and shelled it completely. At this time, Hitler was in a bunker in Berlin trying to figure out a way in which they could still fight against the Soviet Forces with depleted resources and near to no personnel. The Russians then stormed Berlin fighting against roughly 45,000 Germans fought to keep the capital, made up of old men, children and whoever was able to fight to defend. Eventually Soviet forces made their way to the Reichstag and hung the Russian flag over the city of Berlin signifying Germany's defeat and their surrender. Germany had lost the war and Hitler had committed suicide.

Where?: This Battle occurred in Seelow Heights, the outskirts of Berlin and the heart of Berlin.

Who?: The battle was between Nazi Germany, the Soviet Union and Polish Forces.

How was the battle carried out?: The battle was carried out in the fashion of Russian forces systematically defeated German troops on several fronts, causing as many casualties as possible and pushing the Wehrmacht as close to Berlin as possible until surrounding the city and storming the city to defeat the Germans.

Effects and Consequences: The effects of the downfall of Berlin was the end of the war and the victory of Russia and the United States in Europe. This then led to the separation of Germany into different states and ownership of different countries.

Significance: This affected mainly Germany. Its capital and entire country was destroyed and they were punished severely by the division of their country. It is also significant for the Russians because they were the big force in Europe that was able to storm through Germany and take their capital. They were the main force in Europe and was the nation that won the war against the Nazis.

Russia was the driving force in Europe of winning the war and America in the Pacific against the Japanese.