The Einsatzgruppen

Death in the woods of Poland and Russia

**Operation Barbarossa, the Nazi invasion of the U.S.S.R., June-December 1941**

* Hitler and his allies, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Romania and Hungary, invaded the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ bent on conquering the country.
* The invasion began on June 22, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and was the largest land operation of WWII. It led directly to Hitler’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_four years later.
* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_troops numbered \_\_\_\_\_\_million, with 3,500 tanks and assault guns and 2,000 aircraft.
* Losses on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sides were enormous: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ million Soviets including \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and three million German soldiers, as well as millions of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of war

**When did the formal killing start?**

Even though the Nazis took control in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

– Formal \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ doesn’t begin until \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

– Coincides with the invasion on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Then is practiced in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Operation Barbarossa**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ killing of Jews

Use of the Einsatzgruppen

– Special SS \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ units

These men were not thugs but \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

– \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Doctors, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, etc

**Operation Barbarossa**

Einsatzgruppen

– Job was to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for opponents of the Reich

Included \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and Jews

– Once they found them they were to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them

– Four Units :A,B,C, and D

Largest group had \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ men

By 1943

– \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ million Jews killed

– 100’s of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of others

**A Mass Killing by the Einsatzgruppen**

Einsatzgruppen (German for "\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” or "task force") were mobile \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ groups operated by the SS before and during World War II.

Their principal task, in the words of SS General Erich von dem Bach- Zelewski at the Nuremberg Trial, "was the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Jews, gypsies, and political commissars."

**Operation Barbarossa: Methods of Killing**

Einsatzgruppen

– Gathered men, women and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Along the edges of

– \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

– Mines

– \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

– Pits

That the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ had to dig

**Operation Barbarossa: Methods of Killing**

– Before Killing the Jews

Had the Jews \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ over their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Had the Jews remove their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

– Then they \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the Jews and watch their bodies \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

– Einsatzgruppen kept \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Counted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and took \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Personal \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of soldiers

**Operation Barbarossa: Methods of Killing**

Babi Yar

– Just outside \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Ukraine

Late September 1941

Apprx. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Jewish men, women and children

– Marched to a Jewish \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Forced to hand over \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and take off \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1 by 1 Shot in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Bodies \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ up creating one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ grave

**The Final Solution**

Nazis decide to change \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

– Begin receiving \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that soldiers in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are beginning to suffer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ effects

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ orders

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from shooting somebody

Cost of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The general \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ witnessing these events

– They start to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Ninesfort - Kaunus**

During the years of Nazi occupation, the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was put to use as a place of mass murder. At least \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Lithuanian Jews of Kaunas, largely taken from the

city's Jewish ghetto, were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Ninth Fort and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.