

1. What were the causes for the Second World War?

**A: Causes for the Second World War:**

**1. The humiliating terms of Versailles Treaty:** By the terms of Versailles Treaty Germany was crippled both economically and militarily. Germany was shorn off, all her past glory and possession. This led to take revenge against Allied powers.

**2. Aggressive Nationalistic aspirations:** Nationalistic aggressive feelings were roused among the people of Germany and Italy. Every race advocated the supremacy over the other.

**3. Ideological Conflicts:** There was a conflict between democratic and dictatorial ideologies. U.S.A., England, France on one side, Germany, Italy, Russia on the other side had clashed with one another resulting in the Second World War.

**4. Rising Imperialism:** To increase the prestige of their national spirit and racial superiority. Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy entered into imperialist expansion. They violated the terms of Versailles Treaty and waged wars. Mussolini invaded Abyssinia, Japan on China, Hitler on Austria.

**5. Military preparations:** Germany began to rebuild her military strength, produced modern weapons. Other European Nations also improved their military strength. It resulted in a race for piling up war material.

**6. Failure of League of Nations:** The League of Nations could not check the aggressive actions of the countries. It remained only as a spectator.

**7. Immediate cause:** Hitler's attack on Poland on the issue of Danzing was the immediate cause of Second World War.

Germany moved her army on 1st September 1939 and attacked Poland. As a result France and England declared war on Hitler. Different Nations sided different blocs and the Second World War started in full swing.