

Superpower Relations – The Hungarian Uprising - Recall Quiz Answers

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Recall the Facts

1. Give one reason the Hungarian people protested in 1956.
There were food and fuel shortages, a lack of political freedom
2. Who replace Rákosi as leader of Hungary?
Imre Nagy
3. Give one of his reforms.
Non-communist parties could be part of the government; they would hold free elections; the release of political prisoners.
4. Which reform ended the support of Khrushchev?
Nagy announced Hungary would leave the Warsaw Pact.
5. Why was Khrushchev so alarmed by this?
It could lead to other countries, especially, Czechoslovakia and Poland, try to leave as well.
6. How many troops did Khrushchev send to put down the uprising?
1000 tanks and 200,000 soviet soldiers.
7. What happened to the leader of Hungary?
He wanted to avoid a nuclear war.
8. What was Radio Free Europe?
A radio station paid for by the USA which broadcast promises of support to communist nations encouraging them to overthrow their governments.
9. What was the West's response to the appeals from the Hungarian people?
They did not provide any support. They only acted to stop the further spread of communism rather than help governments who were already communist.
10. Why did the Hungarian Uprising benefit the USSR in the long term?
It showed the other Eastern bloc countries that the USSR would act with violence to maintain its control and so acted as a warning.