Operation Barbarossa

**Using your textbook (p.137), the handout entitled “Nazi Invasion of Soviet Union,” and the links to related websites on our class webpage, answer the following questions. Use complete sentence, and copy and paste your assignment into your class notebook in *OneNote*.**

1. Was the Soviet Union prepared for the Nazi invasion of 1941? Why or why not?
2. Initially, how successful was the invasion for the German army? Use statistics to support your answer.
3. How did the invasion affect the lives of Soviet civilians? Use statistics and examples to support your answer.
4. What obstacles slowed down the German invasion of the Soviet Union? Why did the Germans ultimately fail to take control of the Soviet Union?
5. What happened at the Battle of Stalingrad?
6. Did Hitler’s decision to invade the Soviet Union a good decision or a costly mistake? Explain your thinking.

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| **Level**  **Criteria** | **Level 1** | **Level 2** | **Level 3** | **Level 4** |
| (K/U) Student’s answers demonstrate a good understanding of the Nazi invasion of the Soviet Union. Answers are convincing and complete. | rarely agree | partially agree | generally agree | strongly agree |
| (K/U) Student uses relevant terms and inserts accurate facts and statistics to support his/her answers. | rarely agree | partially agree | generally agree | strongly agree |
| (C) Student communicates clearly and concisely, using complete sentences and making few mistakes in language conventions. | rarely agree | partially agree | generally agree | strongly agree |