**Francisco Franco Reading Questions**

Read the web page below and answer the following questions:

[The Spanish Civil War Reading - History Skills](https://www.historyskills.com/classroom/year-10/year-10-spanish-civil-war-reading/)

1. What was the time period of the Spanish Civil War?
2. What was the status of Spain's empire during the 16th and 17th centuries?
3. How did Spain's international position change by the 20th century?
4. What significant change occurred in Spanish politics in 1874?
5. Who was Francisco Franco and what was his role in the Spanish Civil War?
6. How did Francisco Franco’s career in the military begin?
7. What major political change occurred in Spain in 1931?
8. What event in 1936 significantly escalated political tensions in Spain?
9. Describe the trigger that led Franco to actively oppose the Spanish government in 1936.
10. What was the composition of the Republican side during the Spanish Civil War?
11. What external support did Franco’s Nationalist army receive?
12. What was the significance of the Battle of Madrid in 1936?
13. What was the outcome of the Battle of Guadalajara in 1937?
14. How did the bombing of Guernica in 1937 affect public opinion?
15. Describe the Battle of the Ebro in 1938.
16. How did Francisco Franco's rule continue after the Spanish Civil War?
17. What significant change occurred in Spain three years after Franco’s death?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you learnt in your reading, answer the following question in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*What motivated Franco to become dictator of Spain?*