

100 Decisive Battles from Ancient times to the Present by Paul K Davis

Spanish Armada - 29 July 1588

I. Vocabulary: **1st:** Guess what the word means from context **2nd:** Look up each definition

Disjointed Coveted Endeavor Proffered Vacillated Stymied
Harrying Salvaging Zenith

II. Forces engaged – who fought and who were the leaders

III. Historical Setting

1. How was Philip II tied to the English throne and what happened when Philip II tried to continue that tie?
2. What upset Philip II about the decision Elizabeth made in regards to religion in England?
3. How was Elizabeth using Spanish money to fight against Spain?
4. What did Philip II do that gave him even more power and wealth around the world and how did it give him that power and wealth?
5. What 2 events in 1584 and 1 event in 1587 caused Philip to attack the English?

IV. The Battle

1. When and how did the English strike first before the Armada could take shape?
2. Why was capturing the *San Felipe* important in the short term and the long term?
3. Who was the English's new ally and what were they going to do?
4. What happened in the spring of 1588 that hurt the Spanish Armada and how did the outcome further hurt the Armada?
5. What was the Spanish strength and how was it nullified by the English?
6. What did the English do in the early morning of 29 July and how did this hurt the Spanish?

V. Results

1. How many ships did the Spanish lose and how many did the English lose?
2. What were the 2 ways naval tactics were changed after this battle?
3. How was North America affected by this battle and 1588 marked the beginning of what?
4. What could have happened if the Spanish had won the battle?