

Gagoola

You have just declared independence from the nation of Tangmania. They refuse to listen to your point of view on several issues of concern to farmers. Things became intolerable, a federation of groups in your area revolted against Tangmanian government. You have organized a new decentralized government that respects the rights of each of the states.

Tangmania threatened one of your cities with military force so you fired shots at their navy. This was the start of a war. Now you must plan your response strategy.

You are a rather backward nation. You have no cars, planes, or nuclear weapons. Your chief sources of transportation are horses, trains, and ships.

Before you broke away from Tangmania, you traded your silk products to two foreign countries. These countries in turn provided you with vital resources such as food, steel, and iron products. As your country is now at war, you do not have an abundance of food or war materials.

Finally, you have fewer railroads and cities. Also, you depend heavily on the Quagmire River for transportation of goods between the northern and southern regions of Gagoola.

Fortunately, you have superior generals and an army more accustomed to fighting than does the nation of Tangmania. Your newly organized army consists of experienced hunters and marksmen.

Using this information, plan your strategy for the war. How can you convince Tangmania to recognize you as a legitimate nation? As you write your strategy, use the following questions as guidelines.

1. Are you going to fight an offensive or a defensive war?
2. How will you use your ground forces?
3. How will you use your naval forces?
4. How will your resources or lack of them affect your strategy?
5. Do you want to work out any treaties or agreements with other countries?
What might these agreements be?