

conquer con · quer

Advanced Definition

transitive verb

1. to gain or overcome by force, esp. armed force.

The invading army conquered all the lands to the north.

The people never forgot how they were conquered by the invaders.

2. to gain dominance over by overcoming obstacles.

Doctors are trying to conquer this dreadful disease.

3. to master or overcome by moral or mental strength.

He finally conquered his fear of flying.

intransitive verb

1. to achieve victory; win.

He fought the illness bravely, but finally death conquered.

These are some examples of how the word or forms of the word are used:

1. Let's divide and conquer, shall we?
2. Nazi dictator Adolf Hitler wanted to conquer France.
3. First, he led Incas to conquer and claim struggling towns nearby.
4. His weakness allowed an outsider, Sumanguru, to come and conquer Mali.
5. Then came Francisco Pizarro, the conquistador who wanted to conquer the Incas.
6. Led by Adolf Hitler, the German army went on to conquer much of Europe.
7. His guns and horses enabled him to conquer the rest of one of the greatest civilizations in his search for riches.