

The Tiananmen Square Massacre

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Alex Jackson a 18 year old has just came back from China with his dad. He went because his dad got a job to report the events of the visit of the President



Tiananmen Square before the protests

When Jackson got there April, 11 1989, many students came to protest for democracy. The government brought in their military because

they wanted the students to get out of the square before the president of Russia came. Thousands of students were killed.

Jackson said: "It was probably a few days after they got there that the students started to come. At first they came for the memorial service of Hu Yaobang a political leader. Afterwards more students came to protest for democracy.



Students come to protest for democracy

The goverment was getting nervous because they didn't want students protesting when the president of Russia came." Jackson says.

Students were trying to talk to political leaders to convince them that democracy is better than dictatorship, but the goverment didn't accept their ideas.

Jackson says "that the goverment threatend the students to leave or else they will bring in the millitary. Many of the students left but more stayed. So just as the goverment said they brought in their army."



The tanks coming to the square.
"They brought tanks and tons of armoured personel. Thousands of sudents were killed. Students tried to build barracades so the tanks couldn't get throught they also tried to run away but at almost every intersection there were soldiers, who checked everyone they thought was a student.

If you were a student, you were shot." Jackson sayed.



The armored personel that were at the square.

The Tiananmen Square Massacre will be a tragedy not easily forgotten.

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