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## The Cold War Study Guide

### Definitions:

- **Arms Race:** U.S. and Soviet Union competed to accumulate nuclear weapons and other wartime weapons
- **Censorship:** Controlling what citizens can see and read
- **Cold War:** "War" that was a fight between the Soviet Union and the West over communism
- **Communist:** type of government the Soviet Union had during the Cold War
- **Cuban Missile Crisis:** tense situation that nearly resulted in a nuclear war close to the U.S.
- **Democratic:** type of government the United States had during the Cold War
- **NATO:** alliance between European and North American countries to support one another
- **Red Scare:** period of time in America where many were frightened that communism would spread
- **Space Race:** competition for supremacy in space during the Cold War
- **Wall of Shame:** nickname for the Berlin Wall by West Germany

1. What happened to Germany after WWII? **Germany was divided into sectors. West Germany was democratic and controlled by the USA, Great Britain, and France. East Germany was communist and controlled by the Soviet Union (USSR)** [L] [SEP]
2. What was the relationship between the United States and the Soviet Union prior to the end of WWII? **Alliances**
3. The United States was a capitalist/democratic society, while the Soviet Union was **communist**.
4. The Cuban Missile Crisis would be described as **tense**.
5. When was the Berlin Wall torn down? **1989**
6. Who was the leader of Cuba during the Cuban Missile Crisis? **Fidel Castro**

7. What was the result of the Korean War? The conflict was a stalemate, and a border was set up that divided North Korea and South Korea. North Korea remained a communist nation, and South Korea remained a democratic nation.
8. The Soviet Union supported North Korea while, the United States supported by the UN supported South Korea.
9. Why was NATO formed? To avoid future wars, find peaceful solutions to international problems, and provide a place to discuss world issues.
10. Who was Senator McCarthy? Senator from Wisconsin, determined to expose communists and used intimidation and gossip to get information.
11. What started the Space Race? Soviets sent an unmanned satellite to space in October 1957 (Sputnik I)
12. Why did John. F. Kennedy feel it was important to help South Vietnam? If they allowed Vietnam to become communist, it may cause a domino effect in Southeast Asia.
13. What were some of the results of the Vietnam War? South Vietnam surrendered and Vietnam was united under a communist government. Vietnam is now one of 5 communist countries in the world.
14. Be sure to know the chart about international organization.

Extra Notes