

# The Cold War

*Origins and Consequences*



# Standards

SS5H7 The student will discuss the origins and consequences of the Cold War.

- a. Explain the origin and meaning of the term “Iron Curtain.”
- b. Explain how the United States sought to stop the spread of communism through the Berlin airlift, the Korean War, and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.
- c. Identify Joseph McCarthy and Nikita Khrushchev.

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# Teacher Info - Alphaboxes

- The next slide is a handout for the students to use for note-taking during (or after) the presentation.
- You can choose to print out the slide, or project it on the board and have students write answers in their notebooks.
- The students will write down information about each letter or date based on what they learn during the presentation.

# Cold War Alphaboxes

Directions: Fill in the boxes below with a phrase that describes the word OR date. The letter 'C' has already been done for you.

A Airlift	B Berlin	C Cold War <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Rivalry between US &amp; Soviet Union; competing for world leadership</li><li>1945-1990</li></ul>	D Distrust	E Eastern Bloc	F Fall of the Soviet Union
G East Germany	H Hot Spot	I Iron Curtain	J Joseph McCarthy	K Nikita Khrushchev	L 1945
M Mikhail Gorbachev	N NATO	O Occupation Zones	PQ Post-WWII	R Reunification	S Superpowers
T 1991	UV United States	WX Nuclear Weapons	YZ 1989	* Korean War	* Communism

# Teacher Info - Who's & What's

- Print off the Who's & What's handouts for each student. (Print front and back to save paper.)
- BEFORE the unit, have students fill in the squares with what they *think* each term means.
- AFTER the presentation, the students will write down new (factual) information about each term.
- Check the answers as a class.

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## **Cold War**

What I think happened:

## **Communism**

What I think happened:

Definition:

Definition:

## **Iron Curtain**

Who I think this is:

## **Berlin Airlift**

What I think happened:

Definition:

Definition:

## **Korean War**

What I think this means:

## **NATO**

What I think this is:

Definition:

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Who I think this is:

Definition:

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# Teacher Directions - CLOZE Notes

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## Eastern Bloc

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- The Soviets \_\_\_\_\_ some political opponents.
- The Soviets rigged elections to ensure the \_\_\_\_\_.

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## Distrust

- Each side thought the other was trying to \_\_\_\_\_.
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## Alliances

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## Division of Germany

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### Cold War

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- They called this tension a “Cold War” because **neither side ever fired a shot**.
- However, the **threat of nuclear war** left many feeling nervous.

### Distrust

- Each side thought the other was trying to **rule the world**.
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- This time it could be a nuclear war, which could **destroy the entire planet**.

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- The US and USSR had the ability to influence world events and project **worldwide power**.
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### What About Berlin?

- During the Cold war, there were many “hot spots” (**areas of extreme tension**).
- The earliest hot spot was **Berlin**.
- The Soviets controlled the eastern part of Germany, the western countries controlled the **western part of Germany**.
- The capital, Berlin, deep within Soviet-controlled territory, was also **divided into four occupation zones**.

# Cold War CLOZE Notes 3

## Blocked Berlin

- In June 1948, the \_\_\_\_\_ and water traffic into western Berlin hoping to make Britain, France, and America leave the city.
  - (Remember Berlin was in East Germany which the \_\_\_\_\_,)
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## Berlin Airlift

- What's an airlift?
  - A system of carrying supplies into East Berlin \_\_\_\_\_ American pilots \_\_\_\_\_ and raw materials. \_\_\_\_\_ British and \_\_\_\_\_, fuel, \_\_\_\_\_.
- How long did it last?
  - \_\_\_\_\_.

## Now What?

- Germany officially becomes \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ becomes the capital of West Germany.
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- West Berlin remains a \_\_\_\_\_, surrounded by communism.

## Post-WWII Korea

- After World War II, Japanese-occupied \_\_\_\_\_ into northern and southern parts.
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- \_\_\_\_\_ and established a communist government.
- The United States would be in charge of Korea south of the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel and promoted a \_\_\_\_\_.

## Korean War Begins

- In 1950, Kim Il Sung, the leader of North Korea, sent his powerful \_\_\_\_\_.
- South Korea was where the United States had to take a \_\_\_\_\_.
- US President Harry Truman ordered American naval and air forces to support Korean ground troops, and asked the United Nations to approve the use of force to \_\_\_\_\_.

## Korean War

- The United Nations responded quickly, imposing military sanctions. The U.S. and 19 other nations \_\_\_\_\_.
- Despite initial heavy losses, the combined UN forces finally \_\_\_\_\_.
- The situation changed when \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_, well-trained and well-equipped army into the war.
- Going beyond the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel into North Korea \_\_\_\_\_.
- When the fighting finally \_\_\_\_\_, no one was truly victorious.
- The 38th parallel dividing line \_\_\_\_\_.

# Cold War Cloze Notes 3

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- In June 1948, the **Soviets blockaded all land** and water traffic into western Berlin hoping to make Britain, France, and America leave the city.
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- In response, the United States and Great Britain **began an airlift**...

### Berlin Airlift

- What's an airlift?
  - A system of carrying supplies into East Berlin **by plane day and night**. British and American pilots **flew in tons of food, fuel, and raw materials**.
- How long did it last?
  - **11 months**

### Now What?

- Germany officially becomes **two countries with two governments**.
- **Bonn** becomes the capital of West Germany.
- **East Berlin** becomes the capital of East Germany.
- West Berlin remains a **democratic stronghold**, surrounded by communism.

### Post-WWII Korea

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### Korean War

- The United Nations responded quickly, imposing military sanctions. The U.S. and 19 other nations **committed troops to the area**.
- Despite initial heavy losses, the combined UN forces finally **began to win**.
- The situation changed when **US General Douglas MacArthur** disobeyed orders to stay in South Korea.
- Going beyond the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel into North Korea **brought communist China's** well-trained and well-equipped army into the war.
- When the fighting finally **ended in 1953**, no one was truly victorious.
- The 38<sup>th</sup> parallel dividing line **remained intact**.

# Cold War CLOZE Notes 4

## Who Won?

- South Korea remained “free”, so \_\_\_\_\_.
- Korea was badly damaged, and \_\_\_\_\_.
- They are still \_\_\_\_\_ today.
- Reunification talks have begun, but progress is \_\_\_\_\_.

## Joseph McCarthy

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- He served as the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Soviet Union from 1953-1964.
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- Khrushchev's goals were to \_\_\_\_\_ in productivity and to help spread Communism throughout the world.
- Khrushchev was \_\_\_\_\_.
- After \_\_\_\_\_, he died in Moscow in 1971.

## Escaping East Berlin

- Berliners \_\_\_\_\_.
- Luckily, West Berlin and freedom were just \_\_\_\_\_.
- About 3 million people fled to West Berlin looking for \_\_\_\_\_ and better lives.
- The East German government \_\_\_\_\_.

## Berlin Wall

- In August 1961, East Germany built a \_\_\_\_\_ between East and West Berlin.
- Guarded by Soviet troops, it became a \_\_\_\_\_ between western and eastern Europe.



# Cold War CLOZE Notes 4

## KEY

### Who Won?

- South Korea remained “free”, so **containment had worked**.
- Korea was badly damaged, and **many lives were lost**.
- They are still **two separate countries** today.
- Reunification talks have begun, but progress is **very, very slow**.

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- Berliners **hated living under communism**.
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- About 3 million people fled to West Berlin looking for **political freedom** and better lives.
- The East German government **wanted it to stop**.

### Berlin Wall

- In August 1961, East Germany built a **103 mile wall** between East and West Berlin.
- Guarded by Soviet troops, it became a **symbol of the split** between western and eastern Europe.

# Cold War CLOZE Notes 5

## Losing Control

- Unfortunately for the Soviet regime, the \_\_\_\_\_.
- The government spent too much money on heavy industry, which often caused \_\_\_\_\_.
- By the 1980s, most Soviet people had \_\_\_\_\_.
- They had \_\_\_\_\_.
- Soviet Union was spending tons of money \_\_\_\_\_, protecting its borders, and keeping up with the US in the arms race.
- In 1985, the economy was so unstable that \_\_\_\_\_, head of USSR, reduced government control of business and increased the freedoms for all citizens.

## Berlin Wall Falls

- Demonstrations by people prompted the government to \_\_\_\_\_ restrictions.
- When the announcement was made, East and West Berliners \_\_\_\_\_.
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- Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 1989: the Berlin Wall, a symbol of communism, \_\_\_\_\_.

## Reunification

- Shortly after the Berlin Wall fell, Germans voted to make the countries of East Germany and West Germany was \_\_\_\_\_ (October 3, 1990).
- Today, Germany is a \_\_\_\_\_ with a great economy.

## Cold War Ends

- After \_\_\_\_\_, the Soviet republics that had once been separate countries began seeking their independence also.
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### Losing Control

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- Soviet Union was spending tons of money **putting down revolts**, protecting its borders, and keeping up with the US in the arms race.
- In 1985, the economy was so unstable that **Mikhail Gorbachev**, head of USSR, reduced government control of business and increased the freedoms for all citizens.

### Berlin Wall Falls

- Demonstrations by people prompted the government to **remove border-crossing** restrictions.
- When the announcement was made, East and West Berliners **climbed the wall and celebrated**.
- Citizens immediately began **tearing down the wall**.
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- **Many countries were created**; Russia was the largest.



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# Soviets In WWII

- In 1939, the Soviet Union signed an agreement with Germany--“no more fighting”.
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- In 1945, Soviet troops captured Berlin, the capital of Germany.

# End of WWII

- After WWII, Soviets did not leave the Eastern European countries that they freed. Instead, they tried to make the countries become communist.
  - Western Europe and America were alarmed by Soviet advances in Eastern Europe.
- Many Europeans and Americans believed that the communists were trying to take over the world!
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## THE SPREAD OF COMMUNISM, 1945–1949

Communist countries



**GEOGRAPHY**  
**SKILLS**

**INTERPRETING MAPS**

Notice the pattern of Communist nations in Europe.

**Place** Look at the chart at right. Why do you think the Communist takeover of China worried the United States?

See **Skills Handbook**, p. H20

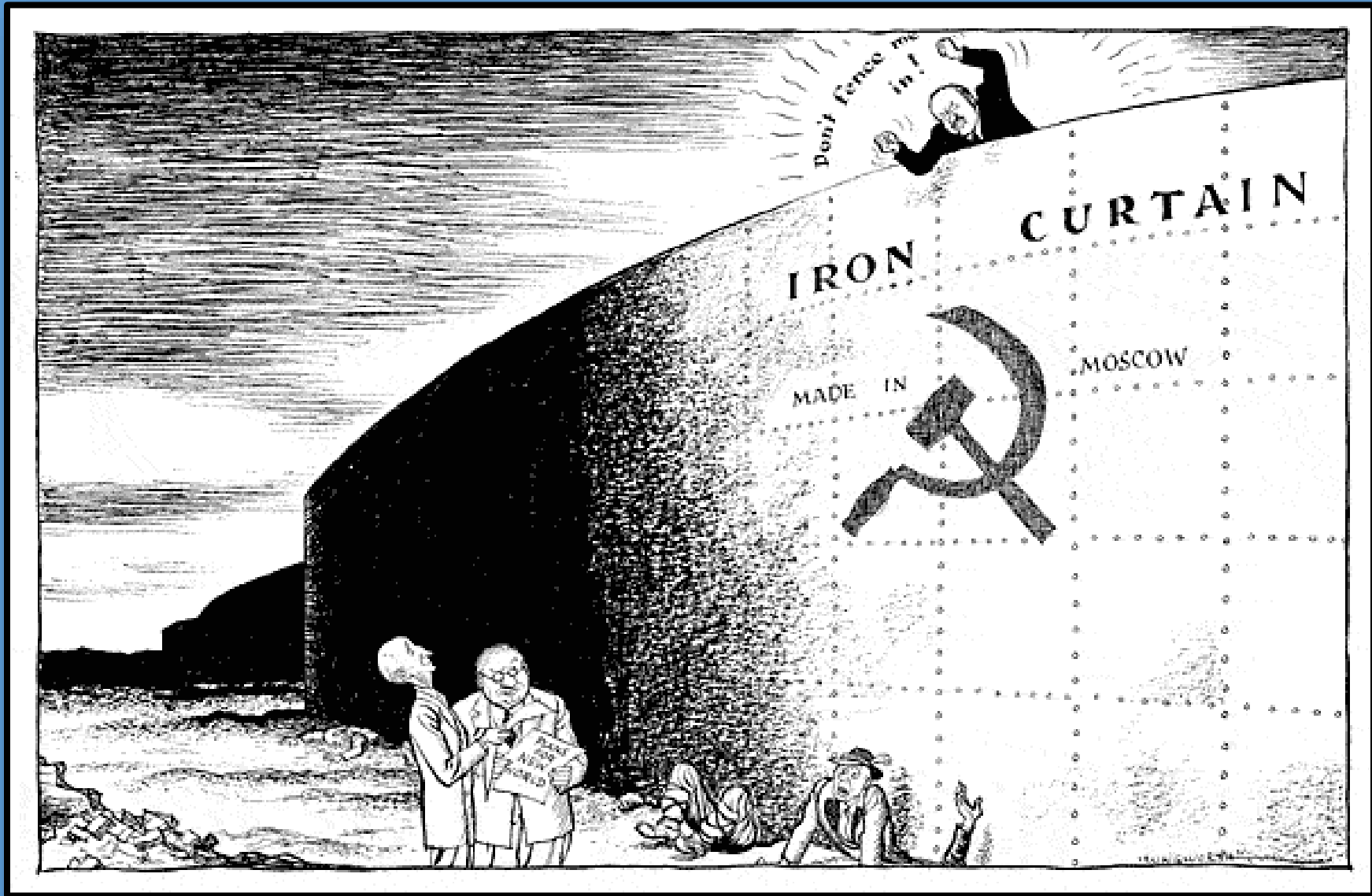
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*“From Stettin in the Balkans, to Trieste in the Adriatic, an **iron curtain** has descended across the Continent. Behind that line lies the ancient capitals of Central and Eastern Europe.”*

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# Opposing Views

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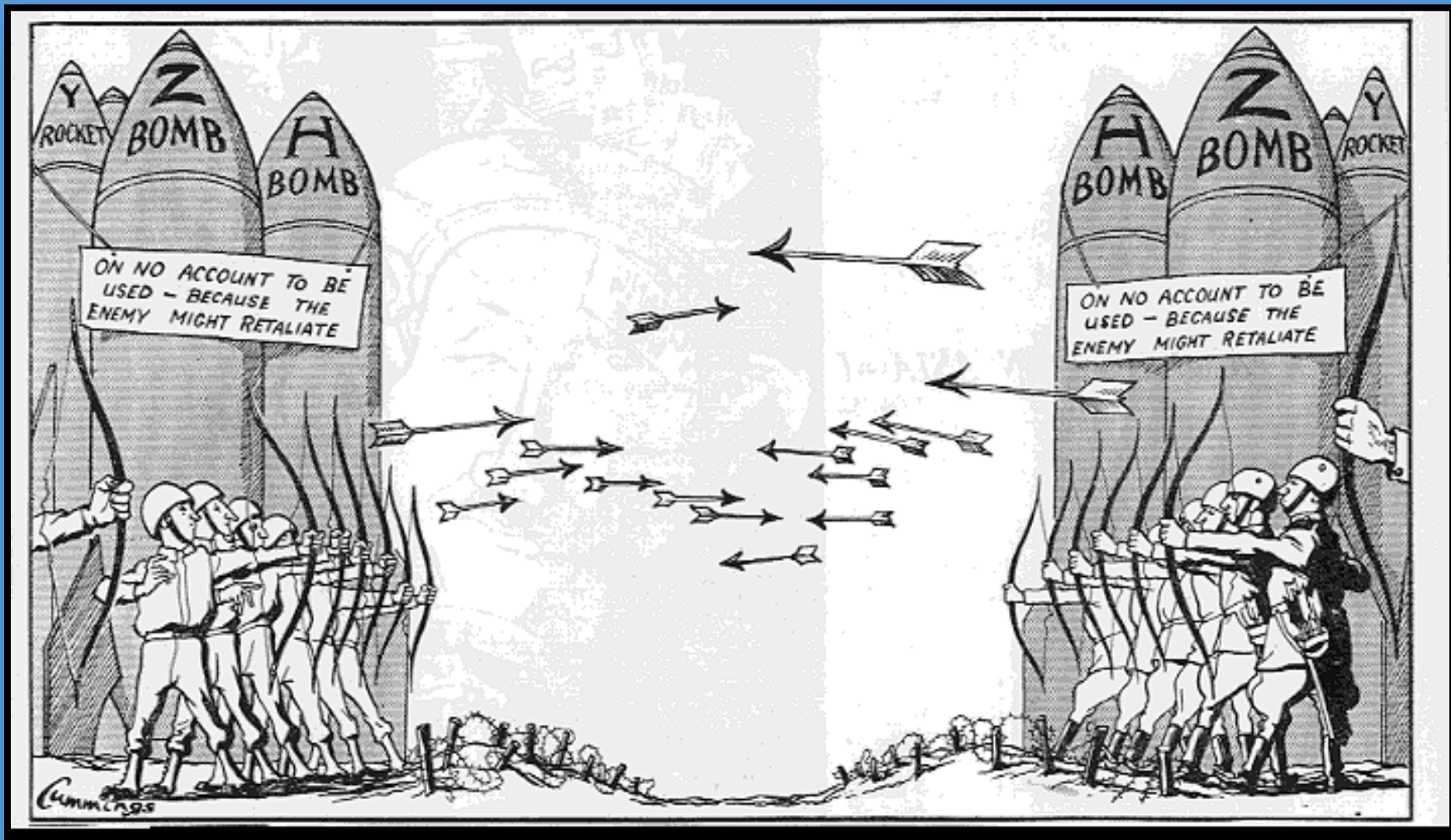
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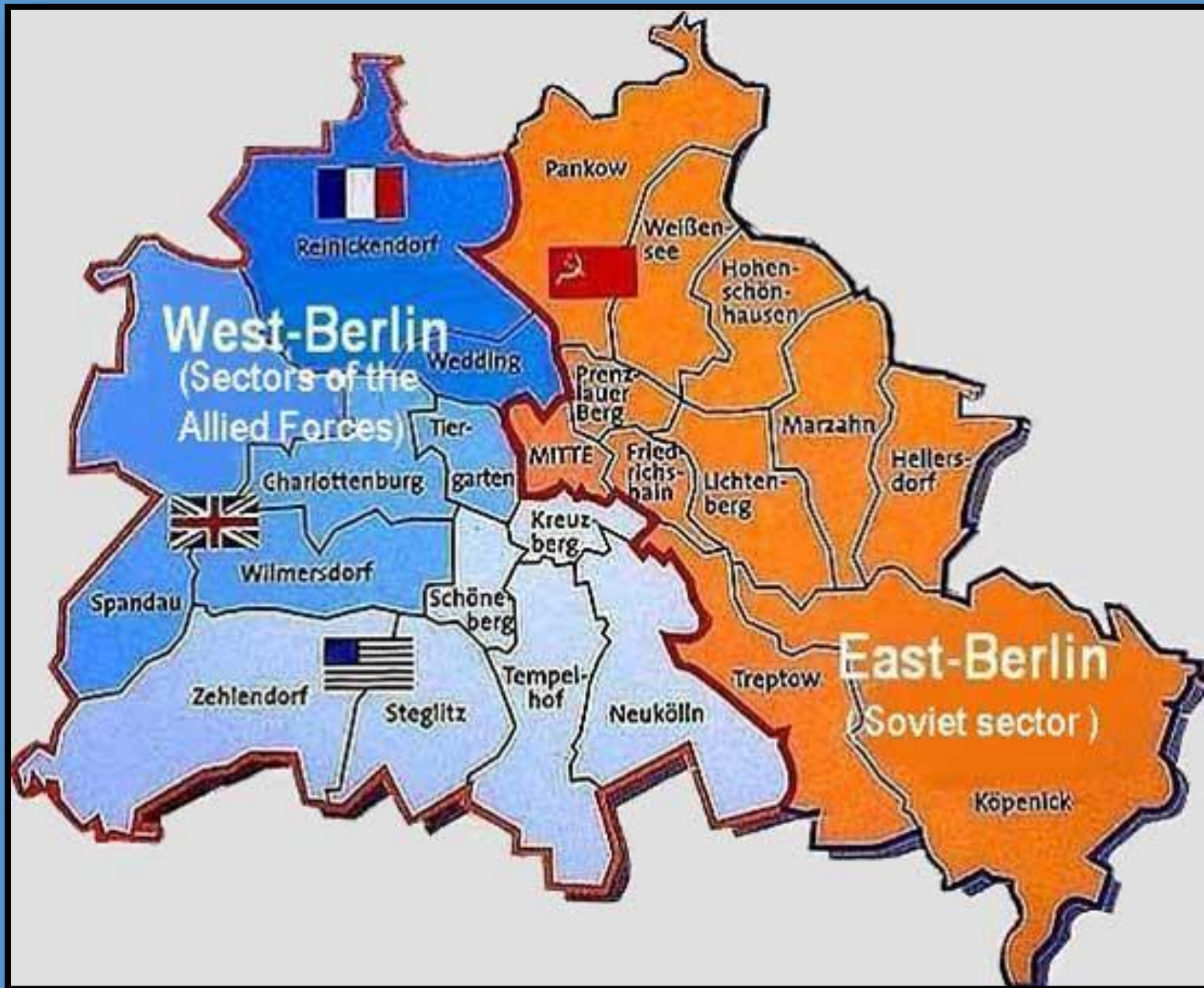
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# Now What?

- The airlift is over—now what?
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Kim Il-Sung



- 1. Location** Why was the 38th parallel chosen as a dividing line?
- 2. Place** What nation shares a border with North Korea, besides South Korea? Why is this significant?



Syngman Rhee

# Korean War

- Going beyond the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel into North Korea brought communist China's well-trained and well-equipped army into the war.
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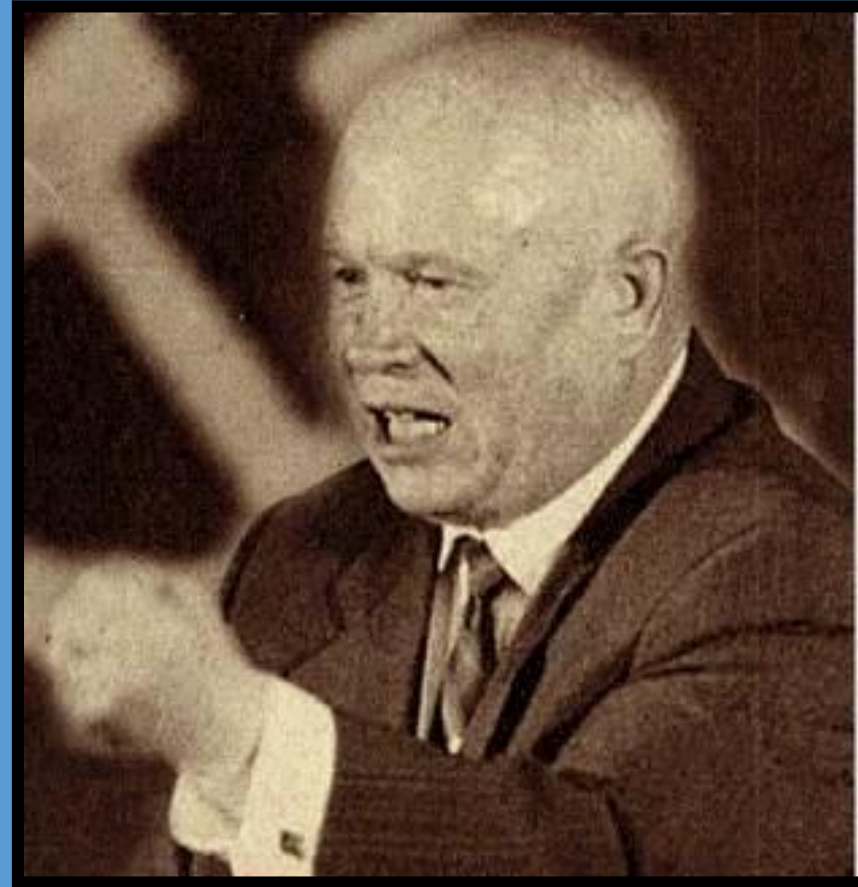
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# Premier Nikita Khrushchev

About the capitalist states, it doesn't depend on you whether we (Soviet Union) exist. If you don't like us, don't accept our invitations, and don't invite us to come to see you. Whether you like it or not, history is on our side.

**We will bury you.** -- 1956



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OBEY TRAFFIC RULES

ВЫ ВЪЕЗЖАЕТЕ В АМЕРИКАНСКИЙ СЕКТОР  
НОСИТЬ ОРУЖИЕ ЗАПРЕЩЕНО В НЕСЛУЖЕБНОЕ ВРЕМЯ  
ПОВИНУЙТЕСЬ ДОРОЖНЫМ ПРАВИЛАМ

VOUS ENTREZ DANS LE SECTEUR AMÉRICAIN  
DEFENSE DE PORTER DES ARMES EN DEHORS DU SERVICE  
OBÉISSEZ AUX REGLES DE CIRCULATION

SIE BETRETEN DEN AMERIKANISCHEN SEKTOR

US ARMY

Paris, 1961



Khrushchev & JFK meet to discuss Berlin and nuclear weapons. Khrushchev thinks that JFK is young, inexperienced, and can be pushed over.



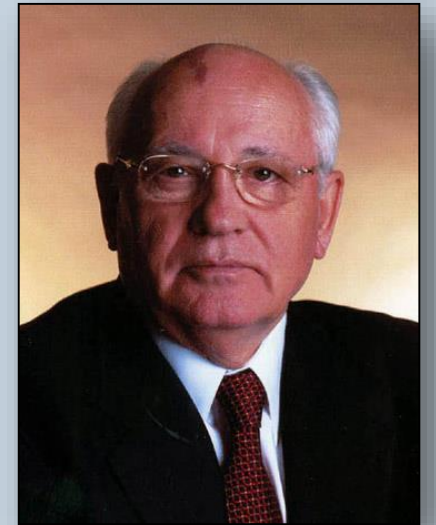
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# Losing Control

- Unfortunately for the Soviet regime, the economy did not grow.
- The government spent too much money on heavy industry, which often caused food shortages.
- By the 1980s, most Soviet people had lost faith in the communist system.
- They had no personal freedoms.

# Losing Control

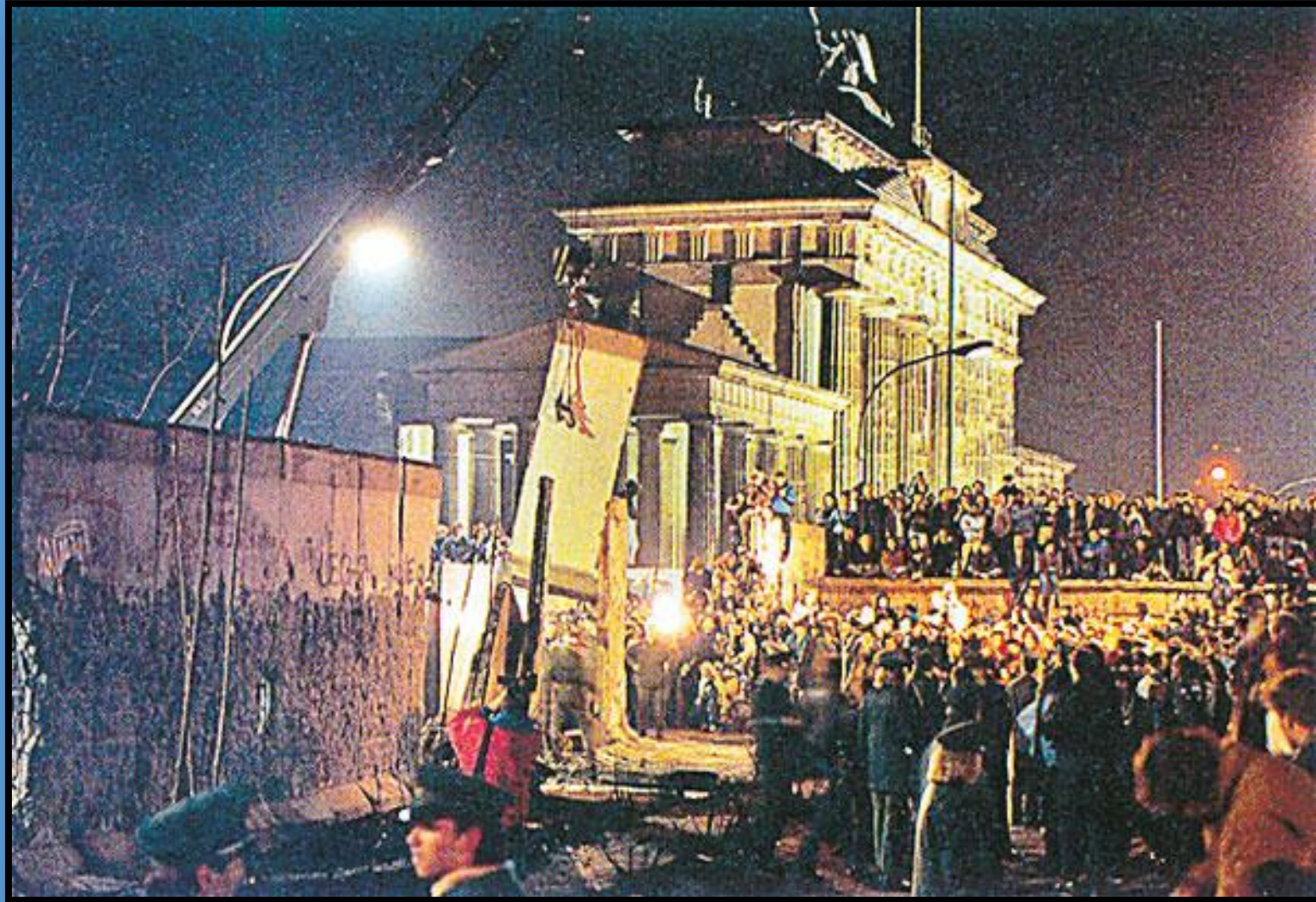
- Soviet Union was spending tons of money putting down revolts, protecting its borders, and keeping up with the US in the arms race.
- In 1985, the economy was so unstable that Mikhail Gorbachev, head of USSR, reduced government control of business and increased the freedoms for all citizens.



# Berlin Wall Falls

- Demonstrations by people prompted the government to remove border-crossing restrictions.
- When the announcement was made, East and West Berliners climbed the wall and celebrated.
- Citizens immediately began tearing down the wall.
- Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 1989: the Berlin Wall, a symbol of communism, was destroyed.







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# Reunification

- Shortly after the Berlin Wall fell, Germans voted to make the countries of East Germany and West Germany was reunited as one country (October 3, 1990).
- Today, Germany is a free democracy with a great economy.

# Cold War Ends

- After Germany was reunified, the Soviet republics that had once been separate countries began seeking their independence also.
- In 1991, Soviet Union was no more and the Cold War finally ends.
- Many countries were created; Russia was the largest.

# Teacher Info - Cold War Activities

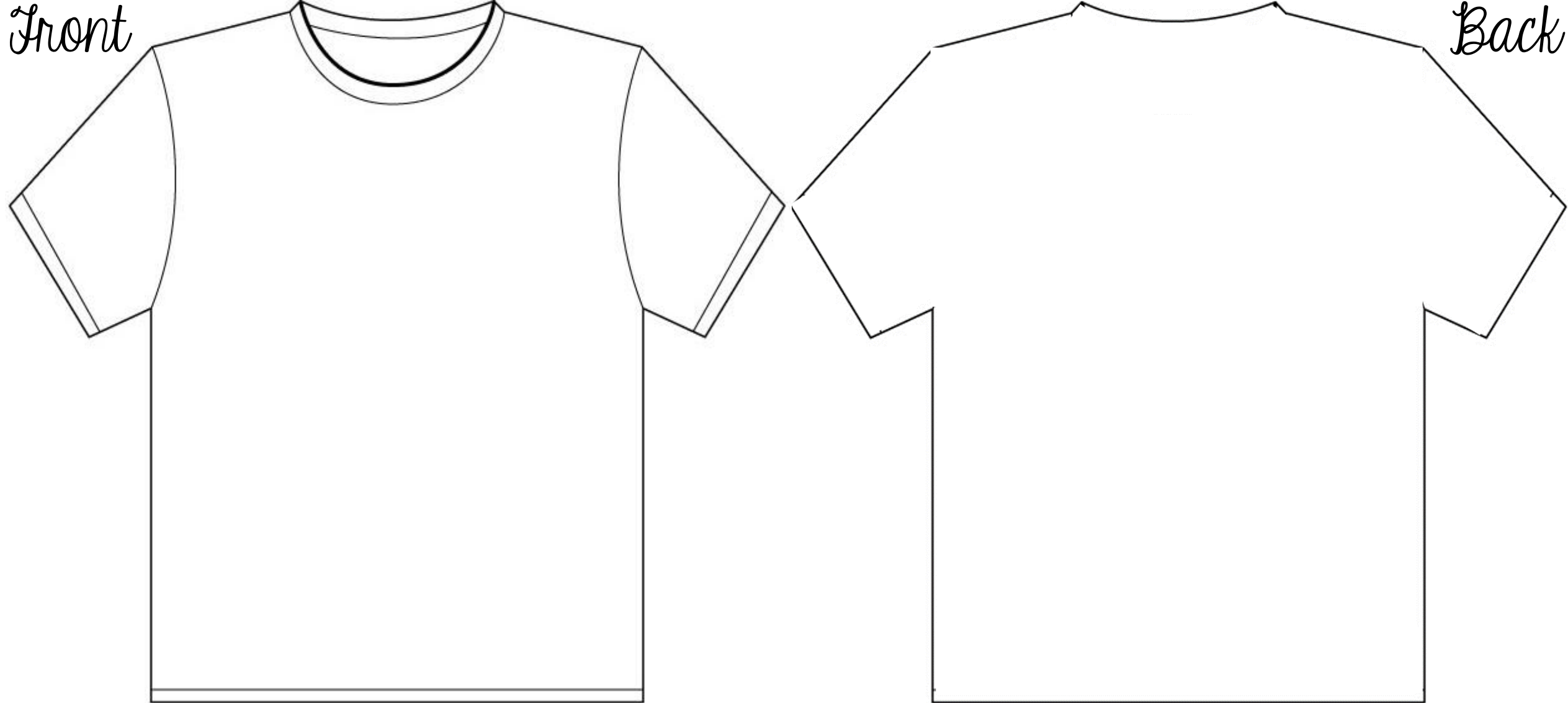
- The following pages are activities that your students can complete after the Cold War presentation.
- Feel free to do them all as a class, to use them in centers, or to just pick the ones that you have time for!
- For most of the activities, you will need to print copies of the handout for each student. They are all in black and white to save your ink!

# Teacher Info - Berlin Wall Protest T-Shirt

- Print off the Berlin Wall Protest T-Shirt handout for each student.
- Front of Shirt: The students will design a t-shirt that could be worn by someone protesting the Berlin Wall (during the Cold War time period). The shirt could include symbols of important events, drawings of key people, significant terms and dates, etc.
- Back of Shirt: They will write a paragraph that describes the shirt's design and why it is significant to the Berlin Wall.

# Berlin Wall Protest T-Shirt

**Directions:** Design a t-shirt that could be worn by someone protesting the Berlin Wall (during the Cold War time period). You should include important dates, key events, and significant people in your design. On the back of the shirt, write a paragraph that describes the design and why it is significant to the time period.



# Teacher Info - Timeline

- Print the Cold War Timeline for each student.
- Have the students fill in the boxes with the event that occurred on the date listed & write a key fact about the event.
- Underneath the timeline, the students will draw a memory clue (symbol) to help them remember the event.
- Check answers when finished.



# Cold War Timeline

**Directions:** Fill in the boxes with the event that occurred on the date listed & write a key fact about the event. Under the timeline, draw a memory clue (symbol) to help you remember the event.)

**1945**

**1948**

**1949**

**1950**

**1961**

**1989**

**1991**



# Cold War Timeline - KEY

**Directions:** Fill in the boxes with the event that occurred on the date listed & write a key fact about the event. Under the timeline, draw a memory clue (symbol) to help you remember the event.)

**1945**

**Cold War begins**

**1948**

**Soviets blockade Berlin; British & American pilots begin Berlin Airlift**

**1949**

**NATO is formed by western European countries, Canada, & USA**

**1950**

**North Korean leader sends army into South Korea**

**1961**

**Soviets build 103 mile wall between East & West Berlin**

**1989**

**Berlin Wall is destroyed**

**1991**

**Soviet Union collapses & Cold War ends**

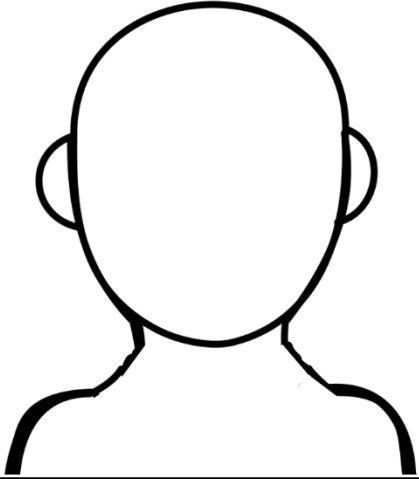
# Teacher Info - Cold War Caricatures

- Have the students create a caricature for different people during the Cold War. \*You may need to explain what a caricature is (thought bubble & facial expressions that show what the person is thinking).
- The students will write a statement from the point of view of each person.
- If time, they will draw clothes/jewelry, belongings, and facial expressions to represent each person.

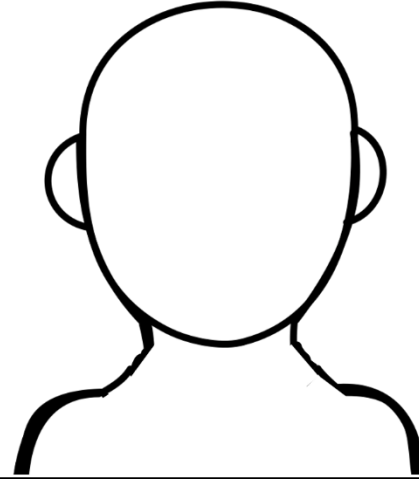
# Cold War Caricatures

**Directions:** What would the different people during the Cold War say about it? Create a caricature (thought bubble) for each of the people listed below. Include their opinions and views on what they are experiencing. Add facial expressions to each person.

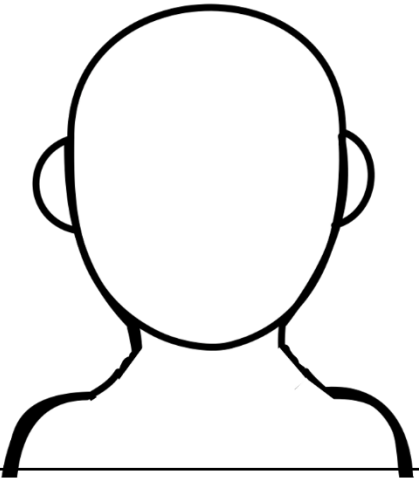
*East German woman watching the Berlin Wall fall:*



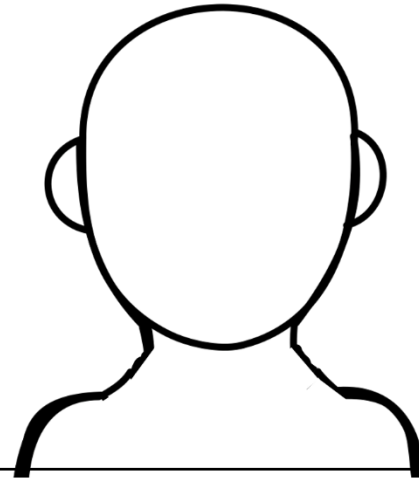
*Communist supporter listening to Gorbachev's new ideas:*



*West Berlin child whose grandparents live in East Berlin:*



*Pro-democracy worker in East Germany during the 1960s:*



# Teacher Info - Breaking News

- Print out the Breaking News Handout for each student.
- The students will imagine that they are news reporters (radio) during this time period.
- They will choose one event from the Cold War and write a news broadcast as if they are living through it.
- They should also include a made-up quote from a person during the event.

# Breaking News

**Directions:** Imagine that you are a news reporter for a radio station during the Cold War era. Choose one event from the Cold War and write a news broadcast as if you are right there living through it. Make sure that your news report explains the event. Also, include quotes from a fictional family that you have interviewed.

Area with horizontal lines for writing the news broadcast.



# Teacher Info - Political Cartoon Analysis

- Choose a political cartoon to project onto the board. (I have included 2 to choose from, but there are many more out there!)
- Have the students complete the Political Cartoon Analysis handout on the cartoon. \*I allow the students to work in partners for this, but that is up to you.
- Afterwards, discuss answers as a class.

# Political Cartoon Analysis

**Directions:** Complete the chart below with information found in the political cartoon.

<b>Visuals</b>	<b>Words</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. List the objects or people you see in the cartoon:</li><li>2. Which of the objects in your list are symbols?</li><li>3. What do you think each symbol means?</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>4. What is the cartoon caption or title?:</li><li>5. Record any important words or dates in the cartoon:</li><li>6. Which words in the cartoon appear to be the most significant? Why do you think this is so?</li><li>7. List some adjectives that describe the emotions portrayed in the cartoon:</li></ol>

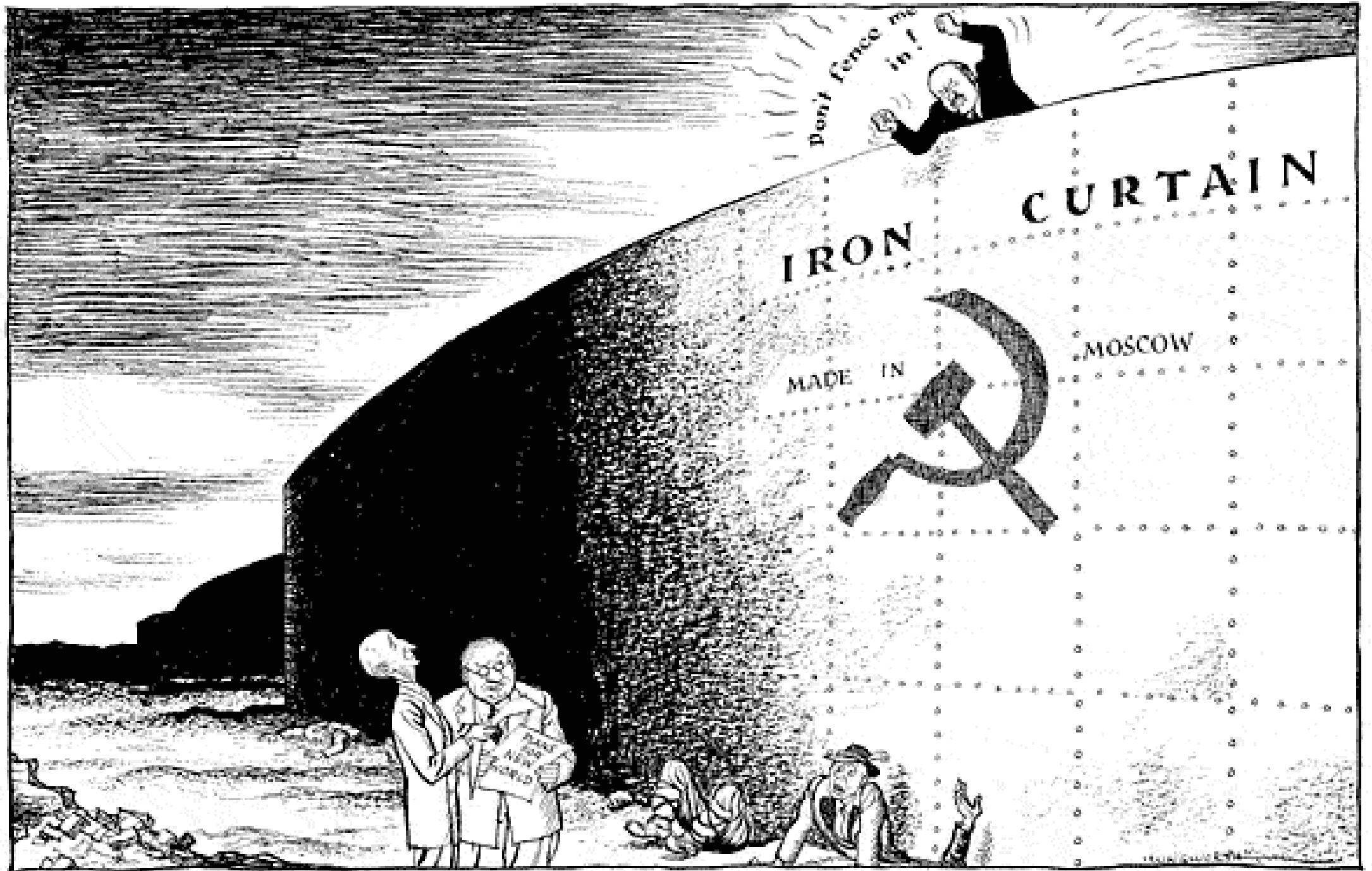
## **Questions:**

8. Describe the action taking place in the cartoon:
9. Explain the message of the cartoon:
10. Who would agree with the cartoon's message? Why?
11. Who would disagree with the cartoon's message? Why?



# Political Cartoon

- Discuss the political cartoons on the following 2 slides with your group.
  - What do you think the cartoon is trying to show?
- Complete the Political Cartoon analysis handout for one of the cartoons.
- Now, Choose one event from the Cold War and create your own political cartoon to depict the event.



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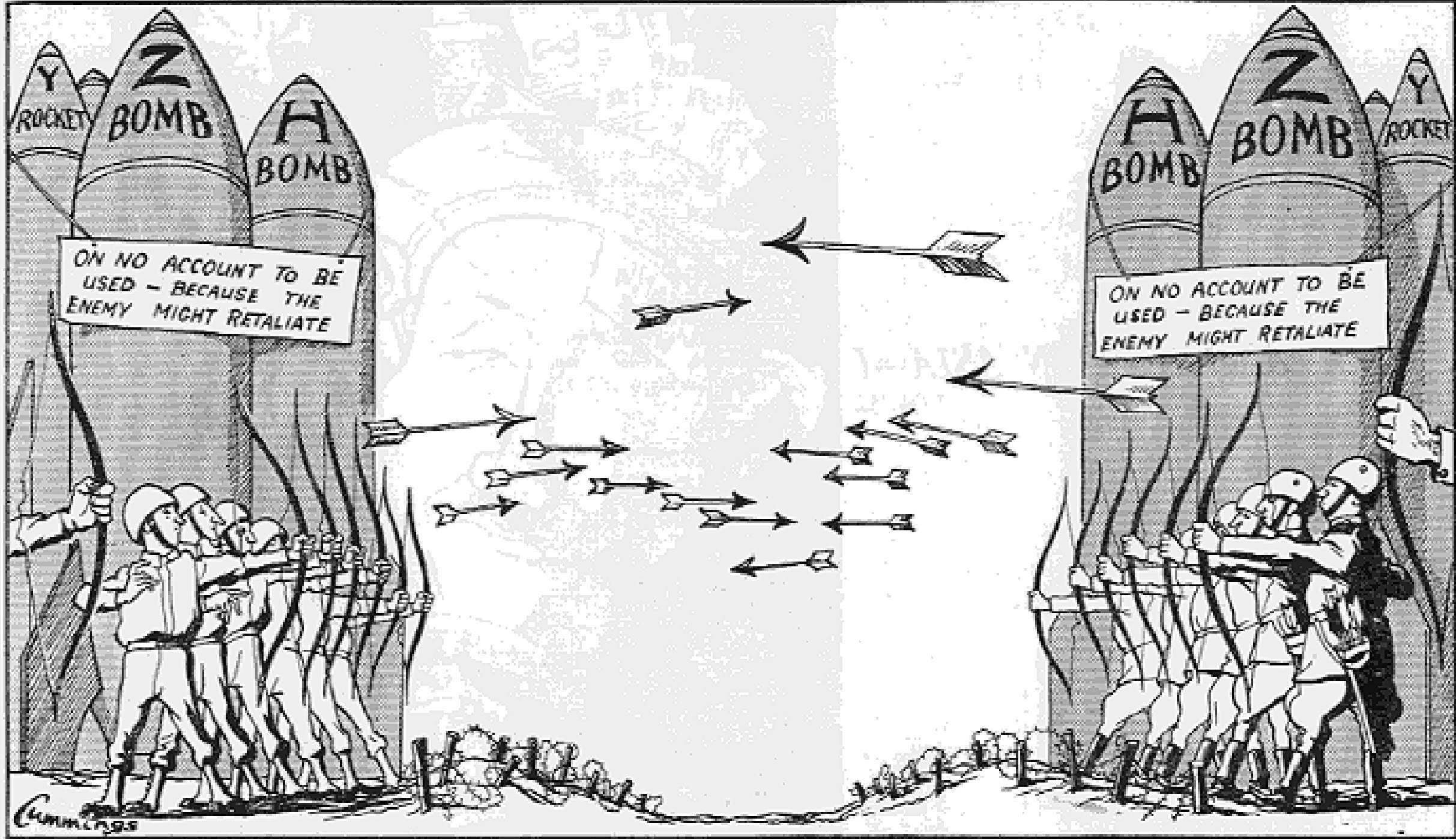
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THE NEW WORLD

1948



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# Teacher Info - Charades

- Place the students in groups of 4-5. Cut up the following page into strips and give one to each group.
- The students will work together to perform a quick skit for the class.
- Have the students perform for the class when each group is ready.

# Cold War Charades

**Pro-democracy worker in East Germany during the 1960s.**

**A child who sees American plane flying over Berlin during the Berlin Airlift in 1948.**

**A West Berlin child whose grandparents live in East Berlin (in the 1960s).**

**Communist supporter listening to Gorbachev's new policy ideas for the Soviet Union in the 1980s.**

**East German woman watching the Berlin Wall fall in 1989.**


**Communist supporter hearing that the Soviet Union had collapsed (1991).**

# Teacher Directions - Find Someone Who Knows About...

- Pass out the Find Someone Who Knows About... handout to each student.
- Give the students several minutes to walk around the classroom and ask their classmates different questions on the sheet.
- When a classmate knows the answer, the student will write the answer (that the classmate said) down and the classmate will sign his/her name in the box.
- They can't ask the same person more than once!
- When time is up, check the answers to make sure everyone has them correct.
- \*This is also an EXCELLENT study guide!

# Find Someone Who Knows About...

**Directions:** You will have a few minutes to walk around the classroom and poll your classmates about what they know about the Cold War. If your classmates know the answers, you write the answer down and they will sign their name in the box. You can't ask the same person more than once! When we finish, we will check the answers, so be sure that you are giving the correct answers!

1. What does Reunification mean?	2. Who were the two superpowers during the Cold War?	3. What happened on November 9, 1989?	4. What technology did the Soviet Union acquire after WWII?	5. What was causing tension in Europe after WWII?
6. Who won the Korean War?	7. What did Joseph McCarthy do/cause?	8. Why was the tension called the "Cold War"?	9. After WWII, what part of Europe did the Soviet Union control?	10. What type of government did the countries controlled by the Soviet Union have?
11. What was the Iron Curtain?	12. After WWII, what parts of Europe did the US and Britain control?		13. Which side of Germany was communist?	14. Why was the Berlin Wall Built?
15. What type of government did the countries controlled by the US and Great Britain have?	16. When did the Cold War end?		17. What was the purpose of NATO?	18. What was the purpose of the Berlin Airlift?

# Find Someone Who Knows About... **KEY**

**Directions:** You will have a few minutes to walk around the classroom and poll your classmates about what they know about the Cold War. If your classmates know the answers, you write the answer down and they will sign their name in the box. You can't ask the same person more than once! When we finish, we will check the answers, so be sure that you are giving the correct answers!

<p>1. What does Reunification mean? To put back together – Germany was reunited into 1 country</p>	<p>2. Who were the two superpowers during the Cold War? Soviet Union &amp; United States</p>	<p>3. What happened on November 9, 1989? Berlin Wall was destroyed</p>	<p>4. What technology did the Soviet Union acquire after WWII? Nuclear weapons</p>	<p>5. What was causing tension in Europe after WWII? Soviets did not leave countries that they freed after WWII.</p>
<p>6. Who won the Korean War? Neither side—it ended in a draw</p>	<p>7. What did Joseph McCarthy do/cause? Spread fear of communism throughout America</p>	<p>8. Why was the tension called the “Cold War”? Period of mistrust between US &amp; Soviet Union without actually firing a shot</p>	<p>9. After WWII, what part of Europe did the Soviet Union control? Eastern Europe</p>	<p>10. What type of government did the countries controlled by the Soviet Union have? communist</p>
<p>11. What was the Iron Curtain? Division created by communist countries in Europe after WWII</p>	<p>12. After WWII, what parts of Europe did the US and Britain control? Western Europe</p>	<p><b>Social Studies Rocks!</b></p>	<p>13. Which side of Germany was communist? Eastern</p>	<p>14. Why was the Berlin Wall Built? To stop people in communist East Berlin from fleeing to democratic West Berlin</p>
<p>15. What type of government did the countries controlled by the US and Great Britain have? Democracy</p>	<p>16. When did the Cold War end? 1991—Soviet Union collapsed</p>	<p>17. What was the purpose of NATO? North Atlantic Treaty Organization – formed between US, Canada, &amp; Western European countries</p>	<p>18. What was the purpose of the Berlin Airlift? Send aid to people blockaded by Soviets in Berlin</p>	<p>19. Who was Nikita Khrushchev? Soviet leader responsible for placing nuclear weapons in Cuba</p>



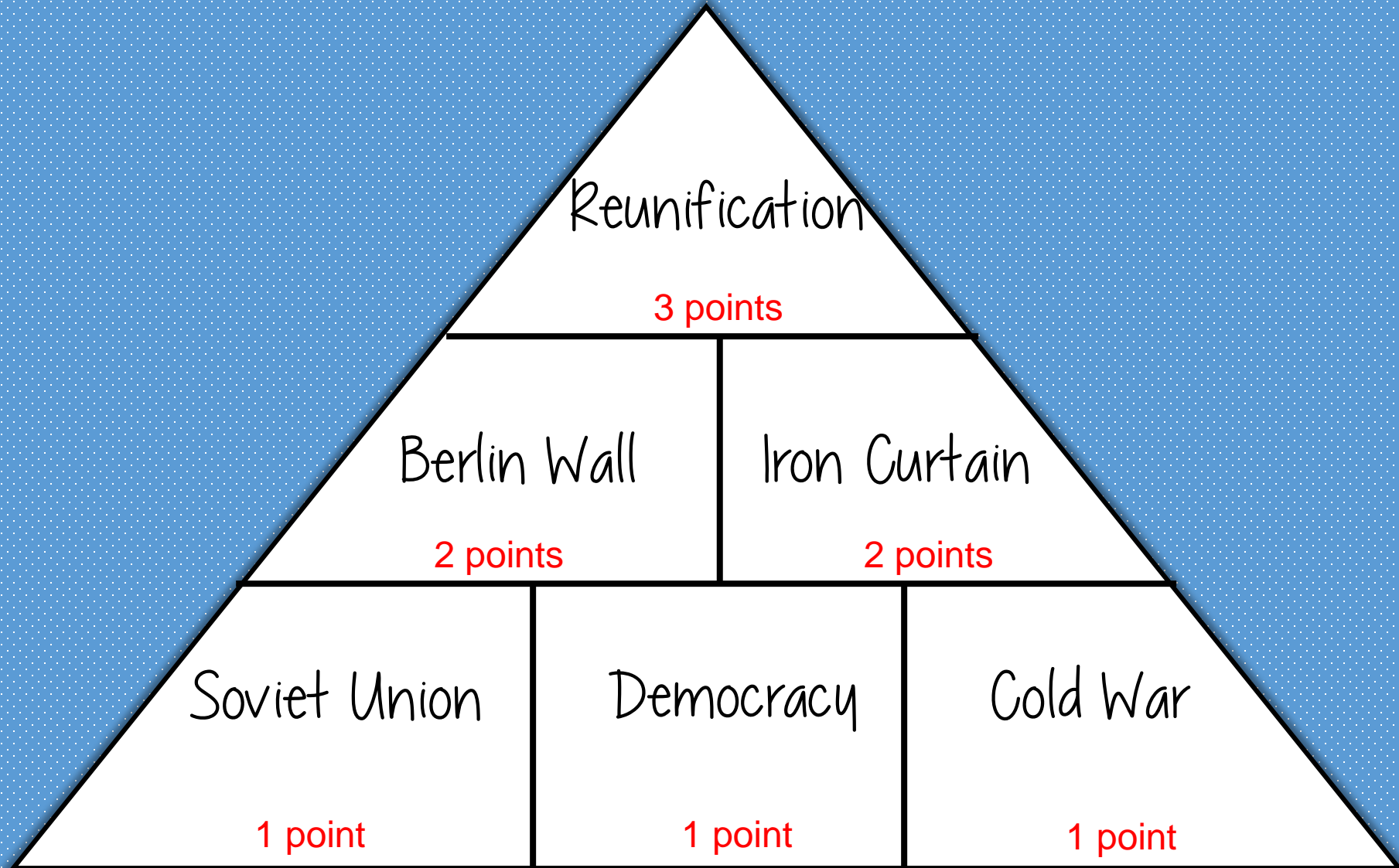
# Teacher Info - Triangle Trivia

- Pair the students up and project the directions slide onto the screen.
- One student should turn so that he cannot see the screen.
- The partner that can see the screen is going to give clues for all of the words in triangle.
- The other partner will try to guess all of the words in the time allowed.
- The partners will switch seats when the round is over.

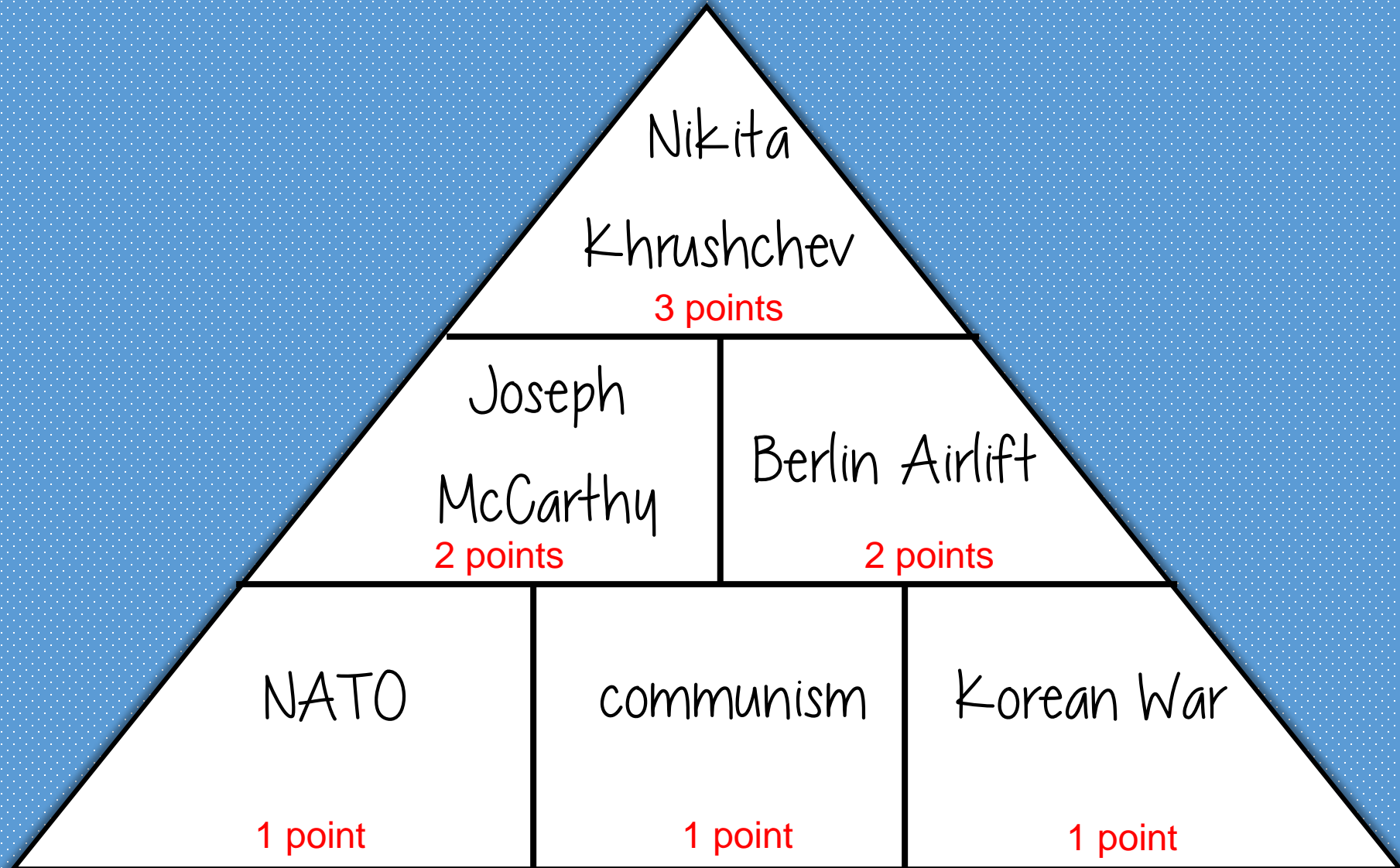
# Triangle Trivia:

- Turn to your elbow buddy. One of you should turn so that you cannot see the screen.
- The partner that can see the screen is going to give clues for all of the words in triangle.
- The other partner will try to guess all of the words in the time allowed.
- If you don't know a word, just say, "Pass!"
- Keep track of your own points! 😊
- You will switch seats when the round is over.

# The Cold War - Round 1



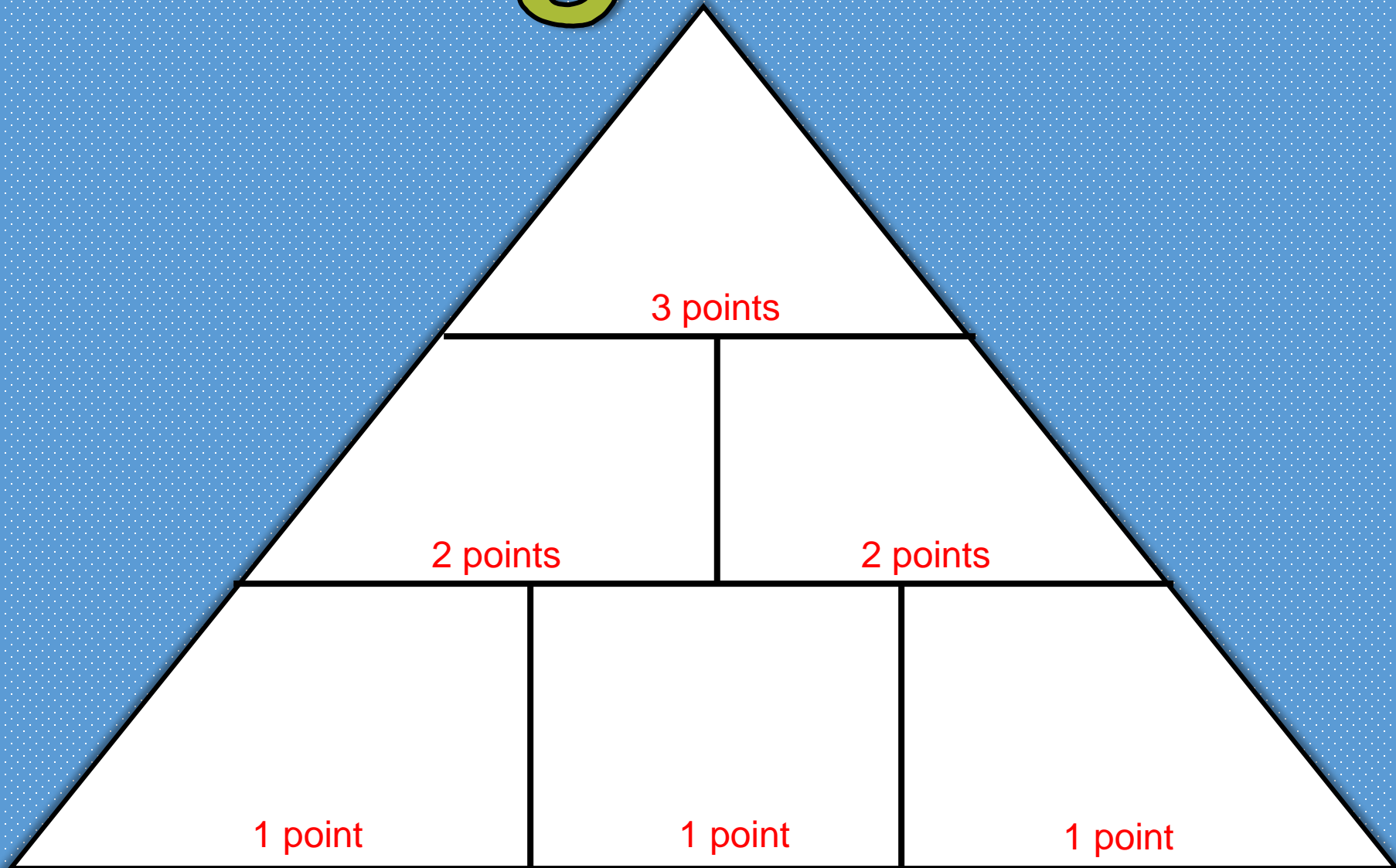
# The Cold War - Round 2



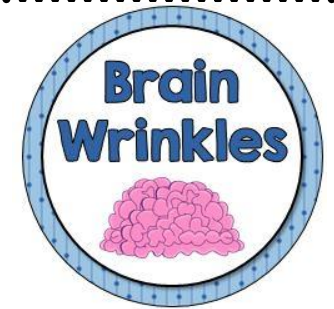
# Your Turn:

Make your own Triangle Trivia using ANY of the words that we have learned this year. You will take turns playing this with your partner!

# Triangle Trivia



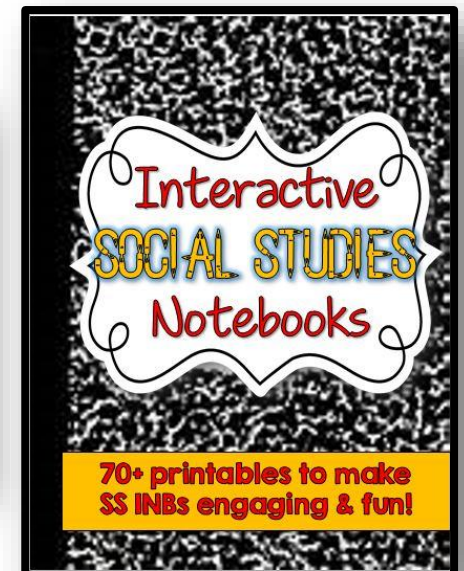
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