

Review Sheet: Cold War

Below is a guide that may assist you in your preparation for your test concerning the Cold War. **In addition to the key terms and people below, and the guiding questions, material may be taken from your textbook readings (pages 855-879), homework assignments, in class discussions and handouts.** The format written will be written response.

Key Terms: United Nations, Iron Curtain, Containment, Truman Doctrine, Marshall Plan, Cold War, NATO, Warsaw Pact, Brinkmanship, U-2 Incident, Mao Zedong, Jiang Jieshi, Commune, Red Guards, Cultural Revolution, 38th Parallel, Douglas MacArthur, Ho Chi Minh, Domino Theory, Ngo Dinh Diem, Vietcong, Vietnamization, Khmer Rouge, Third World, Nonaligned Nations, Fidel Castro, Anastasio Somoza, Daniel Ortega, Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi, Ayatollah Ruholla Khomeini, Nikita Khrushchev, destalinization, Leonid Brezhnev, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon Johnson, détente, Richard M. Nixon, SALT, Ronald Reagan, Star Wars

1. Why was the Race to Berlin significant for the Allies?
2. How did the goals of the United States and the Soviet Union differ after World War II?
3. Describe the symbolism behind the iron curtain and how it altered the make-up of Europe.
4. Compare and Contrast the League of Nations and the U.N.
5. Describe how Stalin's approach to Europe changed between Yalta and Potsdam? Why?
6. Did the Allied leaders effectively negotiate with Stalin during Potsdam? Explain.
7. Why was competition between the United States and Soviet Union so fierce after World War II?
8. Why didn't the Soviet Union declare war against the United States during the Berlin Airlift?
9. Identify the causes of the Cold War and their effects on the world. (i.e. Europe and Asia)
10. Was the formation of NATO and the Warsaw Pact beneficial or detrimental to the United States and the Soviet Union? The world? Explain.
11. How did the construction of the Berlin Wall impact individuals in Berlin? Europe?
12. What issues from the Cold War are present in today's world? Explain.
13. Why did China endure enormous volatility under Mao Zedong?
14. Compare and contrast the Korean War, Vietnam War and conflict in Cambodia.
15. How accurately did the domino theory in explain events in Southeast Asia?
16. Did Castro's alignment with the Soviet Union prove beneficial for Cuba?
17. Why does imperialism continue to escalate tensions post-WWII?
18. To what extent did the Cold War impact the development of third world countries?
19. Why did the United States and Soviet Union ultimately pursue policies that permitted the Cold War to thaw?