

## THE COLD WAR - KEY

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1. When did the Cold War start and who was it between? after World War II – **between the USA and the Soviet Union**
2. What happened in Eastern Europe after World War II ? **Communist governments were set up**
3. Why did the Americans have to send supplies to Berlin by air? **the Soviets tried to cut off all supply routes to the city**
4. Which military blocs were formed after World War II ? **NATO and the Warsaw Pact**
5. Why did the East German government build a wall around Berlin? **more and more east German citizens wanted to escape to the west**
6. Who supported Fidel Castro in Cuba? **the Soviet Union**
7. What happened during the Cuban Missile Crisis? **the Soviets set up nuclear missiles on the island; the USA viewed this as a major threat**
8. How did the Soviets expand their influence and power in Asia? **they tried to gain influence and set up governments in China and the northern parts of Korea and Vietnam**
9. Who became the first Communist leader in China ? **Mao Zedong**
10. What happened to Chinese nationalists after World War II? **they fled to Taiwan**
11. Which colonial power ruled Indochina before the Americans got involved? **France**
12. How did the Vietnam War end? **the Americans and the South Vietnamese were defeated and Vietnam was reunited**
13. Why did the Soviets invade Afghanistan? **they wanted to stop the spread of Islam towards their borders**
14. How did the two superpowers take the Cold War to space? **they fought for the first manned moon landing**
15. Which Communist leader started to change the relationship between the Soviet Union and the West? **Mikhail Gorbachev**
16. What happened in Germany in 1989 ? **the Berlin Wall was torn down and east Germans were allowed to travel to the west**