

## THE COLD WAR – WORD LIST

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- **agree** = to say yes
- **aim** = have the goal of, try to do something
- **airlift** = bring food, clothes, and medicine to a place with airplanes
- **allies** = country that agrees to help another country during a war or conflict
- **attempt** = try
- **bloc** = group of countries that work together and have the same ideas
- **border** = line between two areas
- **cease** = stop
- **challenge** = here: not accept, fight against
- **coast** = where land meets the sea
- **collapse** = breakdown
- **cut off** = to stop something from reaching a place
- **decade** = a period of ten years
- **defeat** = win against someone
- **demonstrate** = show
- **divide** = split up
- **economy** = system by which a country's money and goods are produced and used
- **emerge** = come up, appear
- **erect** = construct, build
- **escape** = get away from
- **expand** = make larger
- **extend** = spread out
- **forces** = army, soldiers
- **found- founded** = create, start something new
- **freedom** = liberty, being free
- **gain** = get
- **get involved** = take part in
- **government** = the people who rule a country
- **human** = person
- **in case** = if
- **including** = also
- **independent** = free
- **Indochina** = south-eastern part of Asia
- **influence** = power
- **install** = set up
- **intercontinental** = from one continent to another
- **invade** = enter a place with an army
- **latter** = second
- **launch** = start
- **limit** = maximum
- **mainland** = on the continent, not the islands around it
- **major** = very important
- **nationalist** = someone who wants their country to stay free
- **nuclear missile** = weapon that has an atomic bomb on board and can fly over long distances and explode when it gets there
- **nuclear power** = country that has atomic weapons
- **occupy** = enter a place with an army and keep control of it for a longer time
- **orbit** = go around in a circle
- **overthrow** = defeat; remove a leader or government from power
- **peninsula** = piece of land surrounded by water on three sides
- **prevent** = stop
- **remove** = get rid of, take out
- **result in** = lead to, end in
- **rights** = the things you are normally and legally allowed to do
- **rivalry** = conflict, here: situation in which two countries are against each other for a longer period of time
- **rule** = power, government
- **safety** = security, well-being
- **showdown** = fight, conflict
- **stockpile** = here: a large supply of weapons that you can use later on if you need them
- **sum** = amount
- **superiority** = power, situation in which you are the best
- **supplies** = necessary things that people need for daily life, like food, clothes, medicine
- **supply routes** = roads and railway lines that are used to bring food, clothes, and other things to people
- **support** = help
- **survive** = live on in a dangerous situation
- **tear down** = destroy
- **tension** = conflict, worry; a feeling in which you do not trust the other side
- **threat** = danger
- **unacceptable** = something that cannot be allowed
- **unite** = join together
- **weak** = not strong
- **weapon** = something that you use in a war to fight against or attack your enemy
- **wipe out** = destroy