

THE COLD WAR

Two superpowers. One world. A long conflict.

Name: _____ Date: _____
Read the questions, do the activities, and see how much you know about the Cold War.

1. Multiple Choice

1. Which two countries were the main rivals during the Cold War?

- a) Germany and France
- b) **USA and USSR**
- c) China and Japan
- d) UK and Canada

2. The Cold War started after:

- a) World War I
- b) **World War II**
- c) The fall of the Roman Empire
- d) The French Revolution

3. What does "containment" mean in the Cold War?

- a) Letting the other side grow
- b) **Stopping the spread of communism**
- c) Making peace with the enemy
- d) Building more weapons

4. What was the main reason for the Space Race?

- a) To find new planets
- b) **To show who was stronger (USA or USSR)**
- c) To end the Cold War
- d) To explore the ocean

2. Match the Columns

1. Cold War — e	a) An economic system based on private companies.
2. Communism — f	b) An alliance between the USA and other countries.
3. Capitalism — a	c) A wall built in Berlin to stop people from leaving East Germany.
4. NATO — b	d) A political and military alliance between the USSR and other countries.
5. Warsaw Pact — d	e) A time of tension between the USA and USSR without direct war.
6. Berlin Wall — c	f) A political system where the government controls the economy.

3. True or False?

- 1. The Cold War ended in 1991. **T**
- 2. The USA and USSR were allies. **F**
- 3. The Berlin Wall was in East Germany. **T**
- 4. The Cold War was fought with direct battles. **F**
- 5. The Space Race was part of the Cold War. **T**

4. Fill in the Blanks

Word box: USSR • USA • nuclear • Berlin Wall • tension

- 1. The **Berlin Wall** was built in 1961.
- 2. The **USA** and the **USSR** were the two main superpowers.
- 3. Both sides had **nuclear** weapons, which made the world more dangerous.
- 4. There was a lot of **tension** between the two countries.
- 5. The Cold War lasted from about **1947** to **1991**.

5. Which Side?

- 1. USA flag: **USA**
- 2. Soviet symbol: **USSR**
- 3. Rocket / Space Race: **Both**
- 4. Tank / military power: **Both**

6. Short Answer

- 1. Why do you think the Cold War ended?
Because it was a conflict between two superpowers, the USA and the USSR, which were both too strong to fight each other directly.

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