

Unit 8: The Cold War Webquest – Cold War (1947-1960)

1. The Marshall Plan

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- a. How much countries were assisted under the Marshall Plan? (Article)
- b. What was the primary goal of the Marshall Plan? (Article)
- c. What type of aid was given to European countries? (Article)
- d. Why was it left up to the United States to defend the countries of the world against Communist aggression? (Video)
- e. What did President Truman do on March 12, 1947? (Video)
- f. Why did Secretary of State George Marshall feel some counties would turn to Communism? (Video)
- g. What event convinced Congress to vote to approve the Marshall Plan? (Video)
- h. How did the Marshall Plan affect the United States? (Video)

2. Berlin Airlift

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- a. How was Germany divided after World War II? (Article)
- b. How many flights into Berlin were there and how much food was flown in?
- c. What resource was the most common material flown into Berlin (Article)?
- d. What was brought into Berlin on June 26th, 1948(Video)?
- e. How much coal was brought into Berlin on Easter Sunday in 1949?(Video).
- f. Using facts from the video, what are three reasons the Berlin Airlift was the biggest in history (Video)?

3. McCarthyism

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- a. According to the video, what are two things that were done to find Communists living in the U.S.?
- b. Why did many Americans begin viewing the American Communist Party as a threat?
- c. What happened to you if you refused to cooperate with the House Un-American Activities Committee?
- d. What finally turned public opinion against Senator Joseph McCarthy?

4. Korean War

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- a. What happened to Korea after World War II? (Article)
- b. When and how did the Korean War break out? (Article)
- c.. Who was commander-in-chief of the UN forces during the Korean Conflict? (Article)
- d. What was the result of the Korean War and when was the peace treaty signed? (Article)
- e. What is the Korean War's nickname? (Video) Why do you think it was given this name?
- f. How many Americans were killed and wounded in the Korean War? (Video)
- g. Judging from the quotes, how did the American military leadership feel about the Korean War? (Video)

5. Sputnik

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- a. What was Sputnik? (Article)
- b. What were at least two effects of the Sputnik launch? (Article)
- c. What does Bert the Turtle do to stay safe? (Video)
- d. What are at least 3 things students are instructed to do during an atomic attack? (Video)

6. The Berlin Wall

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- a. How many people moved from Communist East Germany to Communist West Germany between 1949 and 1959?
- b. Describe the Berlin Wall. Be Specific!
- c. How many people were able to successfully escape over, under, around, or through the wall?
- d. How many people were killed while trying to escape from East Berlin into West Berlin?