

# THE COLD WAR

Name \_\_\_\_\_

In 1917, the Bolshevik Revolution eliminated rule by the czar's family and established rule by the communist party in Russia. The leader of the Bolsheviks was \_\_\_\_\_ (see top right photo ⇒). Russia renamed the territory it controlled the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, or the U.S.S.R. for short. Upon his unexpected death in 1924, the Russian communist party was taken over by \_\_\_\_\_ (lower photo). "Uncle Joe," as he was called in the U.S. as our ally during World War II, remained the leader of the USSR until his death in 1953.

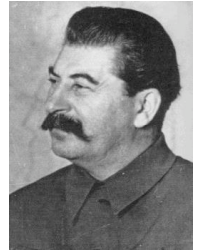


**REVIEW: WHAT IS CAPITALISM?** \_\_\_\_\_

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**REVIEW: WHAT IS COMMUNISM?** \_\_\_\_\_

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The **U.S.S.R.** stands for the

\_\_\_\_\_.

List the 15 republics that made up the "Soviet Union."

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**"THE COLD WAR" WAS** \_\_\_\_\_

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The main danger from conflicts during the Cold War was \_\_\_\_\_!

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FYI: China, the USSR's neighbor to the south, became a communist nation in 1949, just after WWII. At first, the two nations were allies. However, the Soviet Union and China had border disputes; Stalin and Mao Zedong (photo, left) also had ideological differences about how communism should be practiced because China was more agricultural and Russia was more industrialized. By 1960 the two nations were no longer allies.



## THE "IRON CURTAIN"

(THIS MEANS \_\_\_\_\_)

*"From Stettin in the Baltic to Trieste in the Adriatic, an iron curtain has descended across the continent"*—Winston Churchill, 1946

Label Stettin on the Baltic Sea and Trieste on the Adriatic Sea.

Draw the "iron curtain" across Europe.

Nations on the \_\_\_\_\_ of the "iron curtain" joined an alliance of **capitalist, democratic** countries.

Nations on the \_\_\_\_\_ of the "iron curtain" joined an alliance of **communist** countries.



Map courtesy of CNN.com;  
<http://www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/cold.war/episodes/03/maps>

**THE NATO ALLIANCE** was formed in \_\_\_\_\_.

N.A.T.O. means \_\_\_\_\_.

Its 16 original members were:

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| 2. | 8.  | 14. |
| 3. | 9.  | 15. |
| 4. | 10. | 16. |
| 5. | 11. |     |
| 6. | 12. |     |

The thing **NATO** countries have in common is: \_\_\_\_\_

**THE WARSAW PACT** alliance was formed in \_\_\_\_\_.

Warsaw was the communist capital of Poland. The Warsaw Pact was made up of 8 nations:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_

The thing **WARSAW PACT** nations had in common was: \_\_\_\_\_

⇒ and now it's time to **protect your turf ...**

Lenoid Brezhnev (photo, right) was the Soviet head of state from 1964 to 1982.

He enacted the **Brezhnev Doctrine:**

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A policy known as \_\_\_\_\_ developed, in which each side would push the other side to the “brink” of war, in order to show that their threats were serious. The goal was to get the enemy to back down, making your side seem more powerful, without actually going to war.

## **THE “HOT” WARS WITHIN THE “COLD WAR”**

Whenever a nation had a civil war in which one side was \_\_\_\_\_, the U.S.S.R. (or China) would give \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ in hopes that they would win and \_\_\_\_\_ would spread to more and more countries. The United States would side with whoever was fighting against the communist party, giving \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ to the political or military groups \_\_\_\_\_.

### **HERE ARE SOME EXAMPLES:**

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The Cold War started to thaw in \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (photo, left) became the Soviet Premier (Communist  
Party Secretary, Head of State). He began a program with two major changes:

1. *Glasnost*
2. *Perestroika*

...this political and economic restructuring caused:

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In 1989 Gorbachev repudiated the \_\_\_\_\_ As a result, a series of  
amazing events took place... **1989 became known as the “Year of Miracles.”**

In Hungary...

In Poland...

In East Germany...

The Communist Party in the Soviet Union lost a majority in the elections in June 19\_\_\_\_\_.  
We call this “the \_\_\_\_\_”



In these elections, \_\_\_\_\_ became Head of State  
in the newly renamed “Russian Soviet Federated Soviet Republic.”  
Immediately, these events happened:

By \_\_\_\_\_ all 15 republics of the “former Soviet Union” were independent.  
On \_\_\_\_\_ the USSR was officially dissolved and...

**THE COLD WAR WAS OVER!**