

Cold War Quiz

1. Which two superpowers were the main rivals in the Cold War?
A) **United States and Soviet Union**
B) United States and China
C) Soviet Union and Germany
D) United Kingdom and France
2. What was the name of the alliance formed by the Soviet Union and its satellite states?
A) NATO
B) **Warsaw Pact**
C) SEATO
D) CENTO
3. Who was the leader of the Soviet Union during the Cuban Missile Crisis?
A) Joseph Stalin
B) **Nikita Khrushchev**
C) Leonid Brezhnev
D) Mikhail Gorbachev
4. What was the main purpose of the Marshall Plan?
A) Build nuclear weapons
B) **Rebuild Western European economies**
C) Spread communism
D) Create the United Nations
5. What event symbolized the division of Berlin?
A) Berlin Airlift
B) **Construction of the Berlin Wall**
C) Fall of the Berlin Wall
D) Potsdam Conference
6. Which US president announced the "Domino Theory"?
A) John F. Kennedy
B) Dwight D. Eisenhower
C) **Harry S. Truman**
D) Lyndon B. Johnson
7. What was the primary goal of the Soviet policy of Glasnost?
A) Increase military power
B) **Promote openness and transparency**
C) Expand Soviet territory
D) Strengthen the KGB
8. In which country did the Vietnam War take place?
A) Cambodia
B) Laos
C) **Vietnam**
D) Thailand
9. What was the name of the first artificial satellite launched by the Soviet Union?
A) Apollo 11
B) Sputnik
C) **Sputnik 1**
D) Explorer 1
10. Who was the US president during the Cuban Missile Crisis?

- A) Ronald Reagan
 - B) **John F. Kennedy**
 - C) Richard Nixon
 - D) Lyndon B. Johnson
11. What was the purpose of the NATO alliance?
- A) Spread communism
 - B) **Mutual defense against Soviet aggression**
 - C) Economic cooperation
 - D) Space exploration
12. Which war was a proxy conflict between the US and Soviet Union in Korea?
- A) World War II
 - B) **Korean War**
 - C) Vietnam War
 - D) Gulf War
13. What was the term used for the ideological conflict between capitalism and communism?
- A) Cold War
 - B) **Iron Curtain**
 - C) Space Race
 - D) Detente
14. Which US senator led a campaign against alleged communists in the 1950s?
- A) Robert Kennedy
 - B) **Joseph McCarthy**
 - C) Barry Goldwater
 - D) John McCain
15. What was the outcome of the Cuban Missile Crisis?
- A) War between US and Soviet Union
 - B) **Removal of Soviet missiles from Cuba**
 - C) Invasion of Cuba by US
 - D) Establishment of Soviet bases in the US
16. What did the policy of détente aim to do?
- A) Increase Cold War tensions
 - B) **Reduce hostility between superpowers**
 - C) Expand nuclear arsenals
 - D) End the Vietnam War
17. Which treaty limited nuclear weapons between the US and Soviet Union?
- A) Paris Agreement
 - B) **Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (SALT)**
 - C) Treaty of Versailles
 - D) Kyoto Protocol
18. Which Soviet leader introduced Perestroika?
- A) Nikita Khrushchev
 - B) Leonid Brezhnev
 - C) **Mikhail Gorbachev**
 - D) Joseph Stalin
19. Which event marked the symbolic end of the Cold War?
- A) Fall of the Soviet Union
 - B) **Fall of the Berlin Wall**
 - C) Cuban Missile Crisis

D) Korean War Armistice

20. What was the space competition between the US and USSR called?

A) Nuclear Arms Race

B) **Space Race**

C) Iron Curtain

D) Manhattan Project