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Role of Churchill, Roosevelt, Truman, Attlee in the origins of the Cold War	
Reasons for the breakdown of the alliance in 1945-46- death of Hitler, death of	
FDR, Truman, ideology clash, Stalin 'buffer zone', mutual fear and mistrust, Abomb	
Soviet expansion into Eastern Europe- When, how, methods used, why.	
How did Stalin feel about the West and WHY?	
London and Lublin Poles- why was Poland important? What happened to Poland?	
Churchill's Iron Curtain speech- when, what did it mean, what impact did it have	
on the cold war and relations with USSR?	
How did the US react to Soviet expansion in Eastern Europe and why?	
American and Soviet policies in Greece and Turkey	
Truman Doctrine - when what.	
Policy of containment - when what	
Marshall Plan- when what why- help/ kindness/recovery, contain communism,	
spread democracy, spread US influence to counter SU influence. E.g's of how much	
to whom. 'Dollar imperialism'.	
Yugoslavia- how was this country different? Communist but independent	
Berlin Blockade - when, causes - currency, Bizonia, Marshall Plan in West Berlin,	
motives of Stalin- make allies leave, reaction to new currency introduced in West	
zones, make Berlin all communist, expansion	
US reaction to blockade- WHY get involved? Airlift-WHY? First test of the Cold War,	
to follow new foreign policy of containment, to show strength, battle of	
superpowers/ideologies	
Consequences of Berlin Airlift - main facts, airports, goods? How often, ended?	
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Domino Theory	
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Reactions to creation of 38 th parallel	
American/UN/Chinese involvement in war – why? Wider impact on Cold War.	
Impact of war – loss of life, peace talks, Chinese influence, US determination over	
containment, UN influence	
Military campaign waged by Vietcong against France and the USA. 1940s-1973	
Why America got involved in Vietnam	
Who were the Viet Minh, the Vietcong, Ho Chi Minh?	
US tactics- Tonkin incident, operation rolling thunder, air strikes, hueys, search and	

destroy missions, strategic villages, napalm, agent orange and impact on civilians/	
war/ people at home why not effective?	
VC tactics- ambush, sabotage, booby traps, no uniform, Ho Chi Minh trails,	
underground tunnels, attack at night- guerrilla tactics why, impact, why effective?	
Why did the US withdraw from Vietnam? Impact of the media, economic cost,	
human cost- average age 19 and conscription	
My Lai- when, what happened, evidence of, Tet Offensive- when, what, impact on	
the war.	
Anti –war movement in US- impact on US Government.	
Nixon- Vietnamization- when, what it is, why didn't it work? 2 reasons	
Military rivalries. 1945-1960s	
Arms Race membership and purpose of NATO and Warsaw Pact, A-Bomb, H-Bomb,	
ICBMs, 'bomber gap'	
Space Race: Sputnik, Explorer, NASA, Polaris, Gagarin, Apollo- what is each one?	
The 'Thaw', De-Stalinisation in USSR, 1953- 1972	
Hungary, protest movement and reforms of Nagy, Soviet fears, how they reacted	
and the effects on the Cold War	
U2 Crisis and its effects on the Paris Peace Summit and the peace process	
Fear of the bomb: Duck and Cover, MAD	
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Kennedy's response, August 1961	
Tensions over Cuba	
US connection with Cuba since 1898 describe	
1959 Fidel Castro- who was he, what did he do to US influence in Cuba? Revolution	
Bay of Pigs incident- when, where, what happened, how did this make Kennedy	
look, consequences	
Why did Khrushchev put missiles on Cuba? Test JFK, win CW, 'first strike' capability	
Why was JFK concerned about missiles on Cuba?	
CMC - events, U2 photos etc	
What options were available to JFK? Which did he pick and why?	
Why the blockade/quarantine of Cuba?	
How did the CMC end? Who won at the time and in the future?	
First and second letter, back channel negotiations, removal of missiles in Turkey 6	
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Consequences of the crisis- Hot line, Nuclear Test Ban Treaty	
Czechoslovakia: Why was there opposition to Soviet influence? 1968	
Dubeck and the Prague Spring movement	
USSR's response to the reforms, no sanctions, force	
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The Brezhnev Doctrine - define	
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