

Superpower relations and the Cold War, 1941-91

Learning Journey



Why did Détente occur in the 1970s?

What was the significance of Reagan and Gorbachev's changing attitudes.

What was the significance of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan (1979)

What was the 'Second Cold War'?

What were the consequences of Gorbachev's 'New Thinking' on Eastern Europe?



What was the significance of the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989?

Why did the Soviet Union collapse in 1991?



Knowledge:
This unit will link with what you already know about the period 1500-1700



Skills:
This unit will have help you to answer the 12 and 16 marks questions in Papers 1 and 3

Key Topic 3

The end of the Cold War, 1970-91

How did the Soviet Union respond to opposition on Czechoslovakia? (Brezhnev Doctrine)



What were the consequences of the Cuban Missile Crisis?

Why did the Cuban Missile Crisis (October 1962) bring the world to the brink of nuclear war?



What was the Bay of Pigs incident (April 1961)

Why was the Berlin Wall built in 1961 and what were the consequences?

What was Khrushchev's Berlin ultimatum?



Key Topic 2

Cold War crises, 1958-70

What was the Grand Alliance and why did it break down after WWII?



What were the ideological differences between East and West?

What was the impact on US-Soviet relations of the development of the atomic bomb?



What were the Truman Doctrine and the Marshall plan?



Why was NATO formed in 1949?



What was the Berlin Crisis of 1948-49?

What were the causes and consequences of the Soviet invasion of Hungary in 1956?

What was the significance of the arms race and the Warsaw Pact

Key Topic 1

The origins of the Cold War, 1941-58



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