



Arms Race

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Rivalry between the USA and the USSR to have more and better weapons than the other

Truman Doctrine

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USA would give military aid to any country resisting communism

Marshall Aid

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Massive economic aid was offered to countries in Eastern Europe, but Stalin forced them to refuse it

Buffer Zone

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An area from which troops are forbidden





Partial Test Ban Treaty

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USA and USSR agreed to stop testing nuclear weapons on land or at sea

The Berlin Wall

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Wall built by Soviets to stop East Germans fleeing to the West, it became a symbol of division between East and West

The Warsaw Pact

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An alliance of communist countries was formed in response to West Germany joining NATO

United Nations (UN)

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This organisation was set up after World War 2 to preserve peace





Federal Republic
of Germany

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The name of West
Germany during
the Cold War

German
Democratic
Republic

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The name of East
Germany during
the Cold War

Deutschmark

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A new currency
introduced in West
Germany as part of the
Marshall Aid programme

North Atlantic
Treaty
Organisation

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Organisation formed by the
USA, Canada and most
Western European countries
to oppose the USSR





Berlin Airlift

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With the support of the British, the USA flew supplies to Berlin

Berlin Blockade

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Stalin ordered the closing of all roads, water and rail access to the city

Iron Curtain

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Term used by Winston Churchill to describe the spreading communist control and the division between Western and Eastern Europe

Satellite States

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This is what the countries under Soviet control





38th Parallel

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Where Korea
was divided after
WWII

Democratic
Republic of
Korea

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North Korea

Fidel Castro

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Overthrew
Cuba's dictator
Batista

The Bay of
Pigs

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Failed CIA
invasion of Castro
occupied Cuba

