**Early Cold War Study Guide**

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1. How did the conferences at both Yalta and Potsdam in 1945 demonstrate the conflict between the Americans and the Soviets?
2. What impact did the Second World War have on the U.S. and Soviet Union?

US USSR

1. Explain the differences between American and Soviet ideologies using the founding ideals of democracy and equality.
2. Explain the differences between the Soviet Union and the United States:

Type of Economic System, Type of Government, View on Freedom

UNITED STATES UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

5. Explain the following two documents:

a. The Marshall Plan

b. The Truman Doctrine

6. What was the symbolism of Winston Churchill’s “Iron Curtain” speech?

7. What is “containment”? Who was the author of the “Long Telegram?” Why is containment important during the Cold War?

8. Describe the following events (year, cause, and impact) during the Cold War.

a. U-2 Spy Plan Incident

b. Berlin Blockade and Airlift –

c. Korean War –

d. Third World Countries -

e. Nuclear Age

9. Define the following and their significance to the early cold war:

* Brinksmanship -
* Deterrence -
* MAD –
* CIA –

10. Why was the Berlin Wall created?

11. What was the Bay of Pigs Invasion and how did it affect the Kennedy Administration?

12. List the American Leaders from 1945-1962. List the Soviet leaders from the same time period. Also include one way in which each of these leaders was involved in the Cold War.

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| Leaders | Country (years) | Cold War Event |
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13. Explain the cause of the Cuban Missile Crisis.

14. What were the positives and negatives of the options available to President Kennedy during the Cuban Missile Crisis? Star the option that he chose\*\*\*\*

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| Option | 1 Positive | 1 Negative |
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15. What was the result of the Cuban Missile Crisis (include the final decision and 2 consequences)?

16. Explain how the following individuals / groups / terms were involved in the Cold War.

* Communist Sympathizer–
* The Rosenberg’s –
* Alger Hiss –
* Hollywood 10 –

17. How did American culture react to the fears that the Cold War created (consider propaganda, fall-out shelters, drills)?

18. Define the 2nd Red Scare and HUAC {House Un-American Activities Committee} and its role during the Cold War?

19. Explain McCarthyism and how it led to a violation of civil liberties.

20. Consider America’s founding ideals during this time. Pick 1 ideal and explain if America moved closer or further from it and why (use a specific example). On the back of the page!