

## American History Chapter 21: The Cold War 1945 – 1960

U.S. History Objectives, North Carolina SCS

10.04: Elaborate on changes in the direction of foreign policy related to the beginnings of the Cold War.

10.05: Assess the role of organizations established to maintain peace and examine their continuing effectiveness.

11.01: Describe the effects of the Cold War on economic, political, and social life in America.

In this chapter you will learn how the United States and the Soviet Union came out of the conflict of global war as the two super powers on the planet. The United States and the Soviet Union had been united only in their opposition to Nazi Germany. When the dust from the war began to settle, the alliance is beginning to break down. The Soviet Union is a dictatorship led by Joseph Stalin and the Communist Party. Soviet people were not free to worship as they pleased, own private property, or express their views freely. The United States was a democracy that prized civil liberties and the capitalist economic system. Citizens of the United States had religious freedom, could own private property and had the right of free speech and civil liberties.

This chapter will trace the changes of relationships between these two powerful nations. An emphasis is placed on the origins of the cold war and how it began. You will also read and discover how the cold war erupted into a shooting war and the tactics each nation used to expand the cold war around the world. You will learn how the cold war was fought on the home front here in the United States and how over time Americans developed new policies at home and overseas to meet the challenges of the Soviet Union.

### Section 1: The Cold War Begins:

- Use web links or your textbook to define the following: satellite state, iron curtain, Truman Doctrine, NATO, Warsaw Pact, Marshall Plan, containment
- Create a chart like the one displayed on page 714 of your text. As you read section 1, contrast the conflicting goals of the United States and the Soviet Union
- Explain how President Truman responded to the Soviet domination of Eastern Europe

### Section 2: The Korean War:

- Use web links or your textbook to define the following: limited war, Mao Zedong, 38<sup>th</sup> parallel, Douglas MacArthur
- Take notes as you read section 2 using the graphic organizer found on page 722 of your text. Note problems and the steps that President Truman took to solve them.
- Identify the long-term effects of the Korean War

### Section 3: The Cold War Expands

- Use web links or your textbook to define the following: massive retaliation, brinkmanship, arms race, mutually assured destruction, CIA.
- Create a graphic organizer like the one on page 728 to identify the tactics used to wage the cold war.

- Describe the causes and results of the arms race between the United States and the Soviet Union.

Section 4: The Cold War at Home:

- Use web links or your textbook to define the following: Red Scare, HUAC, Hollywood Ten, blacklist, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, McCarthyism
- Use the graphic organizer shown on page 736 to list efforts taken to protect Americans from communism and how these policies affected rights
- Analyze the rise and fall of Senator Joseph McCarthy and the methods of McCarthyism