## COLD WAR

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### ALLIES BECOME ENEMIES

- U.S.
  - Upset Stalin signed nonaggression pact with Germany in 1939

#### Russia

- Blamed U.S for not invading German-occupied Europe earlier than 1944
- As result both began pursuing opposite goals

# Communism Vs. Capitalism

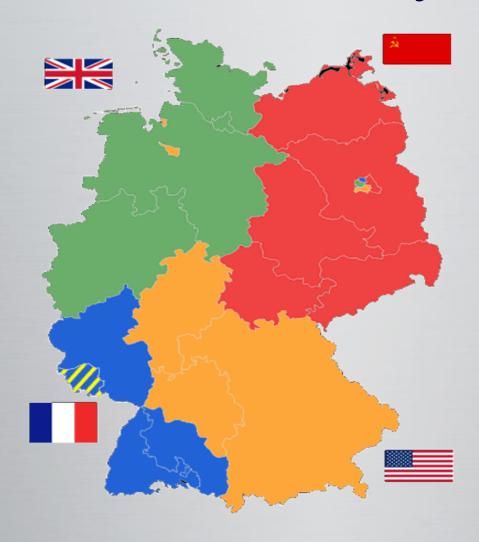
- Communism- a political theory derived from Karl Marx, advocating class war and leading to a society in which all property is publicly owned and each person works and is paid according to their abilities and needs.
- Capitalism- an economic and political system in which a country's trade and industry are controlled by private owners for profit, rather than by the state

### Soviets Build a Buffer

#### Soviets

- Major goal was to protect themselves from another invasion from the west
- Installed communist governments along Russia's own western border
- Refused to allow free elections in Eastern European nations
- Claimed communism and capitalism could not exist in the same world

# Division of Germany



### Iron Curtain

- Europe now lay divided between east and west
  - Known as "iron curtain"
- Germany was split in two sections:
  - Soviets controlled the east and half of Berlin
    - Under a communist government
  - Western regions controlled the west and half of Berlin
    - Under a democratic government

# United States Containment

- President Truman adopted a foreign policy called containment
  - Stop the influence of communism
- Truman Doctrine supported countries that rejected communism
- Marshall plan rebuilt the ruined cities of western Europe

### Division of Berlin



### Berlin Air Lift

- Soviets wanted Germany weak
- In 1948 U.S, France, and Britain allowed their zones to form one nation
- Soviets responded by holding Berlin hostage
  - Cut off highway, water, and rail traffic

 British and Americans flew food in for 11 months until blockade was lifted

### Alliances and Nuclear War

- North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
  - Military alliance between Canada, U.S., and others
- Warsaw pact
  - Alliance between Russia and east Germany
- Advances in Science and technology allowed for nuclear warfare
- Brinkmanship required many nuclear weapons and airplanes to deliver them

# Space Race



## Space Race

- In1950s Soviets and United States competed for influence in the sky
- Both began to develop technology that could explore space
- This led to 2 decades of constant competition until they both cooperated

### **Third World Countries**

- Third World Countries were located in Latin America, Asia, and Africa
- Open to political and economic influence
- U.S. and Soviets used a variety of techniques to gain influence
- Nonaligned nations were third world countries who did not want be involved in the cold war

### Revolutions

- Imre Nagy
  - Formed a new government and promised free elections in Hungary
  - Soviets came and executed Nagy
- Alexander Dubcek
  - Also instituted change in he Czech community
  - Soviets expelled Alexander from the party
- Soviet leaders Nikita Khrushchev and Leonid Brezhnev both suppressed revolts against communism