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Cold War Study Guide

Test: Thursday, February 7th

**Standards Covered:**

**SS5H5 Discuss the origins and consequences of the Cold War.**

Explain the origin and meaning of the term “Iron Curtain.”

Explain how the United States sought to stop the spread of communism through the Berlin airlift, the Korean War, and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Identify Joseph McCarthy and Nikita Khrushchev.

Discuss the importance of the Cuban Missile Crisis and the Vietnam War.

**SS5H6 Describe the importance of key people, events, and developments between 1950-1975.**

Discuss the significance of the technologies of television and space exploration.

**Key Ideas:**

Cold War (Why it is called this? Who is involved? What were the key events during this time?)

Iron Curtain (What is it? Why is it named this?)

Communism vs. Capitalism (Differences and major countries on each side)

Domino Theory (What it was?)

Berlin Airlift (Why it was needed? What it was? What is the result?)

Korean War (Why did it start? Why did the US get involved? What was the result?)

NATO (What is the purpose? Who was involved?)

Cuban Missile Crisis (Key leaders? What were the events? What was the outcome?)

Vietnam War (Why did it start? Why and how did the US get involved? What was the result?)

Space Race/Arms Race (What do these mean?)

**Important People:**

Joseph McCarthy (Who was he? What his role was in the Cold War?)

Nikita Khrushchev (Who he was? What were his goals as leader of the Soviet Union?)