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## The Cold War

### **Multiple Choice**

1. An area known as the Demilitarized Zone would be found here.
  - a. between communist Eastern Europe and democratic Western Europe
  - b. between North and South Korea
  - c. at the Suez Canal in Egypt
  - d. around the city of Inchon
  
1. The 38th parallel became an important dividing line between
  - a. Korea and China.
  - b. North and South China.
  - c. North and South Korea.
  - d. China and Taiwan (Formosa).
  
2. Of the following participants in the Korean War, which fought on the side of the Communists?
  - a. China
  - b. South Korea
  - c. the United States
  - d. the United Nations
  
3. Which nation delivers supplies during the Berlin Airlift
  - a. United States
  - b. East Germany
  - c. Soviet Union
  - d. Italy
  
4. \_\_\_\_ is best known for investigating communism in the film industry.
  - a. The CIA
  - b. HUAC
  - c. The UN
  - d. NATO
  
5. General Douglas MacArthur argued that the Korean War
  - a. was not a vital American interest.
  - b. should be limited to Korea.
  - c. should be extended into a war against China.
  - d. should be extended into a war against the Soviet Union.
  
6. \_\_\_\_ was the leader of the Communists in China.
  - a. Chiang Kai-shek
  - b. Mao Zedong
  - c. Syngman Rhee
  - d. Kim II Sung
  
7. The \_\_\_\_ appeared to be winning the Korean War until China actively entered the conflict.
  - a. Communists
  - c. North Koreans

- b. Nationalists                      d. South Koreans
8. When the Soviet Union exploded an atomic bomb, the United States responded by intensifying efforts to develop \_\_\_\_.
- a. NATO                      c. a hydrogen bomb
  - b. an atomic bomb              d. intercontinental ballistic missiles
9. The Soviet blockade of West Berlin was a response to
- a. the Marshall Plan
  - b. the Truman Doctrine
  - c. efforts by Western nations to divide Germany
  - d. efforts by Western nations to reunify Germany
10. In a capitalist system,
- a. the state controls economic activity.
  - b. private citizens control economic activity.
  - c. elected officials control economic activity.
  - d. the dictator controls economic activity.
11. The alliance formed by the United States, Canada and 10 European nations which vowed that an attack on one would be considered an attack on all was known as:
- a. the Warsaw Pact                      c. NATO
  - b. European Union                      d. NAFTA
12. When an armistice was signed ending the Korean War,
- a. North and South Korea were still divided along the 38th parallel.
  - b. a communist government was established in South Korea.
  - c. communist fears in the United States were lifted.
  - d. China gained control of the entire peninsula.
13. This congressman, who would become vice president in the next election, gained fame for pursuing charges against Alger Hiss.
- a. Gerald R. Ford                      c. Richard Nixon
  - b. John F. Kennedy                      d. Lyndon B. Johnson
14. Accusations that communism was widely present in the U.S. government and military were made by
- a. Douglas MacArthur.              c. Joseph McCarthy.
  - b. John Foster Dulles.                      d. Alger Hiss.
15. When the USSR launched a satellite into space the US realized:
- a. Soviet weapons were inferior to the US
  - b. the Soviet's possessed weapons capable of reaching anywhere in the US
  - c. it's alliance with Eastern Europe was not as tight as we had

- believed
- d. we needed to join NATO
16. The \_\_\_\_ were defeated in the civil war in China despite billions of dollars in aid sent to them from the United States.
- Nationalists
  - Soviets
  - Communists
  - peasants
17. Although Mao Zedong won the hearts of the Chinese peasants, he failed to win American support because he
- was corrupt.
  - was a Nationalist.
  - was a Communist.
  - had cooperated with Japan during WWII.
18. According to the "domino effect":
- one small event could set off a series of events leading to WWII
  - the US must build up as big of a supply of weapons as possible
  - if one country falls to communism others near it may also fall to communism
  - if communism failed in China it would also fail in the USSR
19. Truman opposed attacking China because
- he feared it would bring the USSR into the Korean War
  - he felt the Chinese army was too large for the US to defeat it
  - Mao Zedong was our longtime ally
  - China had threatened to retaliate with an atomic bomb
20. Satellite nations were:
- Those with a developed space exploration program
  - Those who were heavily influenced by the Soviet Union
  - Those that accepted aid from the United States after WWII
  - Those that were greatly affected by fighting of WWII
21. Both the United States and the Soviet Union joined this organization after WWII.
- NATO
  - United Nations
  - Warsaw Pact
  - League of Nations
22. He arranged for about 400 million dollars in aid to be sent to postwar Turkey and Greece.
- Truman
  - MacArthur
  - Eisenhower
  - Khrushchev
23. At various times, \_\_\_\_ claimed to have a list of Communists

working in the State Department.

- a. Joseph McCarthy
  - b. Alger Hiss
  - c. Richard Nixon
  - d. Whittaker Chambers
24. They were found guilty and executed due to claims of giving the USSR information about the atomic bomb.
- a. The Hollywood Ten
  - b. The Chambers
  - c. The Rosenbergs
  - d. The Fuchs
25. Sputnik was
- a. A secret Soviet spy-plane
  - b. The term referring to Soviet aid to Egypt
  - c. A soviet satellite
  - d. The name for a US spy in the Soviet Union
26. He proposed the policy of brinkmanship
- a. Khrushchev
  - b. Eisenhower
  - c. Truman
  - d. Dulles
27. McCarthyism refers to:
- a. Stockpiling nuclear weapons
  - b. Making unsupported accusations about people
  - c. Spying within a foreign country
  - d. Rising tensions between the US & USSR during the Cold War
28. The main goal of the \_\_\_\_\_ was to stop the spread of communism.
- a. Sputnik
  - b. Iron Curtain
  - c. Marshall Plan
  - d. Warsaw Pact
29. What contributed to the end of the Cuban Missile Crisis?
- a. The discovery that the missiles had been removed
  - b. America's secret promise to remove missiles from Turkey
  - c. Castro's promise to break with the Soviet Union
  - d. Castro's promise to restore democracy
30. What was the main reason for the construction of the Berlin Wall?
- a. To reduce Cold War tensions
  - b. To demonstrate the success of communism
  - c. To embarrass America
  - d. To stop East Germans from fleeing to West Berlin
31. What did the US do in response to the discovery of missiles in

Cuba?

- a. Form naval blockade against Cuba
  - b. Launch a full scale invasion of the island
  - c. Form a naval blockade around the Soviet Union
  - d. Begin shipping stockpiles of nuclear weapons to Europe
32. What country had controlled Vietnam prior to WWII and attempted to regain control after WWII?
- a. Britain
  - b. France
  - c. Italy
  - d. USA
33. When Ngo Dinh Diem came to power in South Vietnam he began persecuting people of this religion, causing some to burn themselves alive out of protest.
- a. Hinduism
  - b. Judaism
  - c. Christianity
  - d. Buddhism
34. What was the United State's main goal in Vietnam?
- a. Colonizing Vietnam
  - b. Stopping the spread of communism
  - c. Upholding the Geneva accords
  - d. Negotiating a cease-fire with the North Vietnamese
35. \_\_\_\_\_ enabled North Vietnam to send troops and supplies into South Vietnam throughout the war.
- a. The Underground Railroad
  - b. The Ho Chi Minh Trail
  - c. Operation Rolling Thunder
  - d. The Tet Offensive
36. This document revealed US plans to go to war even as the government was claiming it was not going to send any troops to Vietnam.
- a. The Gulf of Tonkin Resolution
  - b. The War Powers Act
  - c. The Pentagon Papers
  - d. The Watergate Document
37. Which best defines the term Vietnamization:
- a. The plan to gradually withdraw US troops from Vietnam
  - b. The plan to increase support for the war in the US
  - c. The plan to reunite Vietnam as one country
  - d. Using the Vietnam War to help win reelection
38. What happened to the election scheduled for 1956 that would have reunited North and South Vietnam?
- a. They were cancelled by North Vietnam
  - b. They were cancelled by South Vietnam
  - c. War broke out due to a disagreement regarding how to administer the election
  - d. The citizens of Vietnam voted to remain as two separate nations

39. The Vietcong were:
- a. South Vietnamese who supported the US
  - b. South Vietnamese who had fled to neighboring countries for safety
  - c. South Vietnamese who supported communism
  - d. South Vietnamese who were supporters of President Thieu
40. Towards the end of the war the US bombed this country to try to destroy North Vietnamese supply bases.
- a. Thailand c. Malaysia
  - b. Laos d. Cambodia
41. In what body of water was the USS Maddox located when it was allegedly attacked to start US involvement in Vietnam?
- a. Indian Ocean c. Gulf of Thailand
  - b. Gulf of Tonkin d. South China Sea
42. Although it ended up being an overwhelming victory for the Americans, this event proved to be a major turning point in the war in Vietnam.
- a. My Lai Massacre c. Geneva Accords
  - b. Dien Bien Phu d. Tet Offensive

**Short Answer:**

1. Explain how the ideological differences between the Soviet Union and the United States created tension in the peace process of World War II.



2. Describe specific policies of American containment in Europe. Evaluate the success of these policies in achieving containment.

3. Evaluate the successes and failures of American policies in China, Korea, Cuba, and Vietnam. Discuss 3 of the 4.

4. Explain the rise of McCarthy. Why did McCarthyism appeal to Americans at this point in history? What specific impacts were felt within American society as a result of McCarthyism?