World History Honor’s

Cold War Assessment

Instructions: Read each question carefully and consider all you have learned through readings, presentations, and video clips. For each question you should have supporting details that give clear academic feedback, not opinion or vague answers. Good luck! If you wish to have extra credit, in the top left hand corner write Miss Harvey’s favorite color (hint look at her).

1. Describe the importance of Sputnik and how it fits into the Cold War era.
2. How did Americans change on the home front during the Cold War?
3. Detail the timeline of the iron curtain becoming a physical barrier.
4. In what ways is the policy of containment different from Détente?
5. Explain the importance and the layout of post-WWII Germany.
6. If you were living during the Vietnam War, explain how that event may have affected you.
7. In what ways were United States troops ill equipped to fight in Vietnam?
8. Who led the revolution of Cuba?
9. Why was the 1950s in the United States known as the time of the Red Scare? Describe the impact of a certain Senator.
10. Which countries were the world’s superpowers of the Cold War?
11. 1945-1991 is the era of the Cold War. What does that title implicate?
12. What does HUAC stand for?
13. In your own words, what is the policy of containment? List as many examples as you can and explain those events.
14. What was one of JFK’s biggest embarrassments as president? Why?
15. How does the fall of the Soviet Union impact the rest of the world?
16. Which leader brought reform to the Soviet Union?
17. Compare and contrast segregation and discrimination.
18. What countries were apart of Indochina?
19. Who lead the Viet Minh?
20. Explain the domino theory and how the US tried to fight it.
21. What lead President Johnson to present the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution?
22. How important were the Viet Cong in the Vietnam War?
23. Who was Pol Pot?
24. Who was Mao Zedong? What is his legacy?
25. How does the Cold War come to a close? In what ways does this change the world?