

Terms

Cold War
Potsdam / Joseph Stalin
“satellite states” (in Eastern Europe)
Harry S Truman
Truman Doctrine (1947)
Containment
George Kennan / “Long Telegram” / “X” article
Truman’s Loyalty Program
National Security Act (1947)
Marshall Plan (1947)
Berlin Crisis (1948)
Election of 1948
NATO (1949)
Soviet Atomic-Bomb (1949)
NSC-68 (1949)
Korean War (1950-53)

militarization of Containment (we'll cover in class)
38th Parallel
General Douglas McArthur
Taft-Hartley Act (1947)
HUAC (House Committee on Un-American Activities)
Hollywood Ten
Alger Hiss
Rosenberg case
Joseph McCarthy
McCarthyism
(Full) Employment Act of 1946
Fair Deal
Jackie Robinson
Levittown
baby boom
“white flight”
modern/moderate Republicanism

Questions

1. In the space below, construct a chronology of major events and actions that occurred between 1945 and 1953 that heightened tension between the USA and the USSR.

1945
1946
1947
1948
1949
1950

2. Pick one of the years listed above that you think was the most crucial turning point in the Cold War, especially regarding U.S. foreign policy toward the USSR. Defend your choice in 3-4 sentences.

3. Give 2-3 examples of how the USA extended its effective sphere of influence in Asia and Europe between 1945 and 1954.

Asia (2-3 examples)	Europe (2-3 examples)

4. Identify 4 ways in which the U.S. government extended anticommunist measures within the United States beyond Truman's Loyalty Program. Opinion question – do you think such measures were justified?

5. Assess the extent that Truman's proposed Fair Deal succeeded or failed, given the Fair Deal's goals listed in the chart below.

Defend and Extend New Deal
Repeal Taft-Hartley
Establish National Health Care
Federal aid for education
Subsidies for farmers
Extend Civil Rights for Blacks

6. Identify and briefly explain at least 3 factors that led to explosive growth of American suburbs between 1945-1960.

7. In what significant ways did the reality of American women's lives during "the 1950s" (i.e., 1945-1960) match the ideal of the domestic suburban housewife?