

The Cold War Begins

Chapter 12 Lesson 1

Lecture Focus Question

How did U.S. leaders
respond to the threat of
Soviet expansion in Europe?

Explain.

[1945 – A Critical Year]

- U.S. and U.S.S.R. = a marriage of convenience during WWII
- **Yalta Conference:**
 - 4 German zones
 - Stalin's demands for reparations from Germany rejected
 - **United Nations:** int'l peacekeeping organization
- **Potsdam Conference:** Truman tells Stalin about the atomic bombs
 - Stalin already knew! = spies in our midst!





SIMON SAYS...



The U.S. partnered with the U.S.S.R. during WWII in order to beat a common enemy. ‘The enemy of my enemy is my friend.’

Occupied Germany and Austria

1945-1948



[Conflicting Postwar Goals]

■ American View

- Democracy and economic opportunity for all!
- Would serve U.S. interests by providing markets for its products

■ Soviet View

- Communism for all!
- **Satellite nations:** countries subject to Soviet domination (buffer zone against attacks)

Connection #1



- We've talked about communist values before. Do you remember how they differ from American values? Describe.

[Soviets Tighten Their Hold]

■ Eastern Europe falls to the Soviets



The Iron Curtain

- War of words ensued between Stalin and Churchill
- **Iron curtain:** term coined by Churchill to describe the political division between Communist and non-Communist life
- **Cold War:** competition between U.S. and U.S.S.R. for power and influence in the world
 - Characterized by political and economic conflicts and military tensions

[BRAIN SNACK]

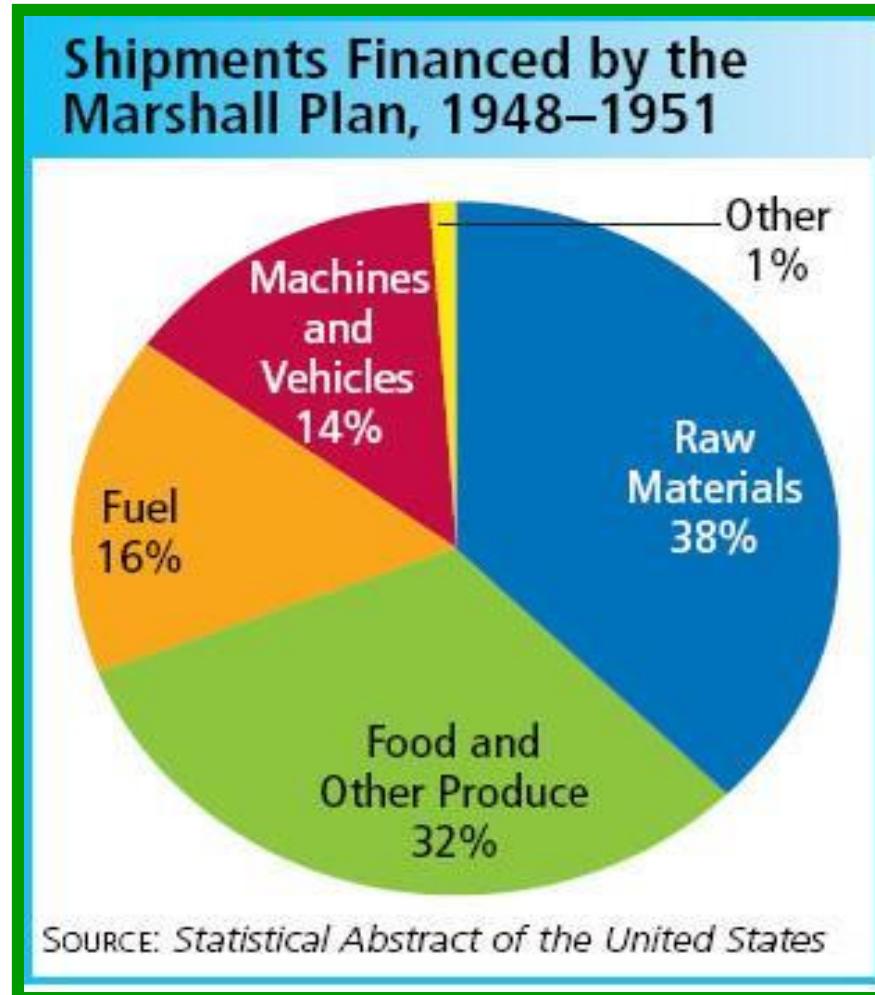
■ Your Task: Create a bumper sticker with a short statement based on the notes so far.

Your bumper sticker should:

- Include a catchy slogan
- Make a point
- Include an illustration, colored



The Truman Doctrine



- **Containment:** American policy of resisting further expansion of communism around the world
- **Truman Doctrine:** Truman's speech declaring that the U.S. would support any nations threatened by communism
- **Marshall Plan:** U.S. policy that offered aid to Western European countries after WWII



SIMON SAYS...



Containment was our policy during the Cold War. The Truman Doctrine announced our policy to the world. The Marshall Plan was how we put the policy into action.

Berlin Airlift

- Stalin determined to capture West Berlin
- Blockaded the city
- Goods needed badly
- U.S. dropped goods from planes
- Avoided “hot” conflict



[Connection #2]



- Have you ever helped de-escalate a situation between two other people?
Describe.

[War of Alliances]



- **North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO):** military alliance formed to counter Soviet expansion
- **Warsaw Pact:** military alliance of the Soviet Union and its satellite states

The Cold War [1945-1991]: An Ideological Struggle



SUMMARY:

These notes are about...
(1-2 sent)
(Main Idea → Use the WIN strategy!)

❑ W.I.N. strategy:

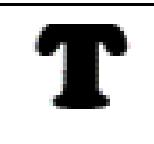
- ❑ WHO/WHAT - Figure out the most important *who* or *what (topic)*
- ❑ INFORMATION - Figure out the most important *information* about the who or what
- ❑ NUMBER OF WORDS - Write the main idea using the fewest possible *number* of words

[Lecture Focus Question]

■ **How did U.S. leaders respond to the threat of Soviet expansion in Europe? Explain.**

- Response = 3-4 well thought out sentences minimum! (topic sentence + supporting details)

Notes Grading Rubric

Notes Color-Coded	MIS INC ✓	Brain Snack(s)	MIS INC ✓
LFQ Color-Coded	MIS INC ✓	 2 x	MIS INC ✓
LFQ Answer (3-4 sent)	MIS INC ✓	 2 x	MIS INC ✓
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