

# The End of WWII and the Beginning of the Cold War

Near the end of WWII, \_\_\_\_\_ from the US, \_\_\_\_\_ from Great Britain, and \_\_\_\_\_ from the USSR met at the \_\_\_\_\_ Conference to decide what to do after WWII. They made many important decisions.

One reason that WWII started was that everyone ignored the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_. This was because it didn't \_\_\_\_\_ and because the \_\_\_\_\_ didn't join. At Yalta they decided to form the \_\_\_\_\_ to help keep future peace. Unlike the League of Nations, the US joined and the UN could raise an army from its members to enforce its decisions.

At Yalta, they also decided to divide up \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_ zones. The \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ would each control one zone. The goal was to fix up the country and then unite the 4 zones into one new country. Other places were also divided, such as some of Japan's colonies. For example, Korea was divided on the \_\_\_\_\_ parallel. The \_\_\_\_\_ controlled the North and the \_\_\_\_\_ controlled the South.

After WWII, the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_ were the 2 most powerful countries by far. In fact they were nicknamed \_\_\_\_\_. These 2 countries were very different. The USSR was \_\_\_\_\_. (They became this way after \_\_\_\_\_ led a revolution during WWI that put Czar \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_. Their ideas were based on \_\_\_\_\_ who wrote \_\_\_\_\_.)

The USA had a \_\_\_\_\_ (where people vote) and followed \_\_\_\_\_ (the economic theory of \_\_\_\_\_.)

The US and USSR became enemies. Roughly \_\_\_\_\_ the world was on the side of the US and \_\_\_\_\_ was on the side of the USSR. The countries on the US's side formed an alliance called \_\_\_\_\_ and the countries on the USSR's side formed an alliance called the \_\_\_\_\_. The countries on the USSR's side were referred to as Soviet \_\_\_\_\_.

In order to help make sure countries joined the US's side, the US gave billions of dollars to W'ern Europe in what was called the \_\_\_\_\_ and was named after \_\_\_\_\_.

Although the US and USSR were enemies, they never fought each other. Instead they had what is called a \_\_\_\_\_. This lasted from \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_. The 2 countries did everything possible to stop each other but never had a "\_\_\_\_\_" war. They were both afraid of each other because both had \_\_\_\_\_. Neither wanted to fight because they could have both destroyed the other. This is called the fear of \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ theory. So instead of having a hot war, the problems between the US and USSR from 1945-1989 were known as the \_\_\_\_\_.