

1. **Cold War**- State of political hostility that existed between the Soviets and U.S.-led Western powers
2. **Iron Curtain**- The national barrier separating the former Soviet Bloc.
3. **Containment**- Controlling/Preventing the spread of Communism.
4. **Long Telegram**- A message sent from George Kennan describing the Soviet society.
5. **Truman Doctrine**- An American foreign policy to stop Soviet Imperialism during the Cold War.
6. **Marshall Plan**- Donation to European countries to rebuild after the damage in the aftermath of war.
7. **Berlin Airlift**- In response to the blockade of the German Capitol, this supplied the western part of German cap.
8. **NATO**- a system of member states agrees to mutual defense in response to an attack by any external party.
9. **Warsaw Pact**- Created in response to NATO, an alliance of Soviet Satellite nations.
10. **Arms Race**- A weapons competition between two nations stockpiling nukes, missiles and weaponry.
11. **Massive Retaliation**- Mutually assured destruction MAD, guaranteed "you attack, we attack".
12. **Brinkmanship**- Willing to go to the edge of war with an enemy.
13. **H-bomb**- A nuclear weapon that utilizes the energy created when splitting the Hydrogen atom.
14. **Fallout Shelter**- an enclosed space specially designed to protect occupants from radioactive debris.
15. **Korean War**- A war fought along the 38th parallel that resulted in both a failed war and a split country.
16. **DMZ**- an area in which treaties/agreements between nations/military powers forbid aggressive activities.
17. **SEATO**- Primarily created to block further communist gains in Southeast Asia, fail/success-Education.
18. **Sputnik**- A satellite launched by the Soviet Union, spurring on the race to Space.
19. **Space Race**- The launching of Sputnik into outer space created this intense competition between US/USSR.
20. **NASA**- the agency of the US Federal Government responsible for the civilian space program.
21. **Central Intelligence Agency**- an agency tasked with gathering, processing and analyzing national security info.
22. **U-2 Affair**- In 1960, a spy plane was shot down while in Soviet airspace while on a reconnaissance mission.

23. **McCarran Act**- Required Communist organizations to register with the US Attorney General and SAC Board.
(Subversive Activities Control)
24. **Alger Hiss**- an American government official who was accused of being a Soviet spy in 1948 and convicted of perjury 1950
25. **Julius and Ethel Rosenberg**- American citizens who spied for USSR and were executed for passing atomic info
26. **McCarthyism**- the practice of making accusations of subversion or treason without proper regard for evidence.
27. **HUAC**- an investigative committee originally setup to investigate Nazis, later Communists.
28. **Hollywood 10**- A group of blacklisted (directors/producers/screenwriters) within the entertainment industry.
29. **Truman's Fair Deal**- an ambitious set of proposals by Truman to Congress in 1949 State of the Union address.
30. **Taft-Hartley Act**- a United States federal law that restricts the activities and power of labor unions.
31. **GI Bill**- created to help veterans of WWII, established low-interest mortgages on homes and a low cost college education.
32. **Executive Order 9981**- issued by Truman, It abolished racial discrimination/segregation in the US Armed Forces.
33. **Federal Highway Act**- Interstate transportation law primarily enacted for Defensive purposes.
34. **Franchise**- Chained stores that distribute uniform, consistent products (McDonalds).
35. **White-Collar**- a person who performs professional, managerial, or administrative work/jobs.
36. **Conformity**- matching attitudes/beliefs/behaviors to group norms- implicit, unsaid rules, shared by a people
37. **The Man in the Gray Flannel Suit**- A popular 1950s TV program, showcasing a WWII veteran's "normal" life
38. **Baby Boom**- A period of increased births after WWII that created the parents/grandparents of today. (50's-60)
39. **Levittown**- name of four large suburban developments created for returning veterans and their new families.
40. **Jonas Salk**- an American medical researcher and virologist, developed the first successful polio vaccine.
41. **Ed Sullivan**- An American TV show/entertainer had a very popular entertainment variety show.
42. **Elvis Presley**- Regarded as one of the most significant cultural/Rock icons of the 20th century, The King.
43. **Rock and Roll**- popular music originating in the 40's and 50s. Took n shook America by storm
44. **Jack Kerouac and Beatniks**- Cultural icon/authors that symbolized rejection of standard narrative values