

Examining The Cold War – Compare the Events

Go to <http://arcg.is/1zmOymW>.

Click on the Cold War events listed below.

Record the facts you find.

Compare and Contrast these events by
determining what the events have in
common.

TN.SS.5.62 Examine the meaning and the main events of the "Cold War," including the Space Race, Berlin Wall, arms race, Rosenbergs, and the Cuban Missile Crisis. (C, E, H, P)
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.5.3 Compare and contrast two or more characters, settings, or events in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., how characters interact).
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.5.1 Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.5.2 Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text, including how characters in a story or drama respond to challenges or how the speaker in a poem reflects upon a topic; summarize the text.

What do these events have in common?

Arms Race (3)

Space Race (8)

Red Scare (5)

What do these events have in common?

Atomic Spies (6)

Berlin Wall (9)

What do these events have in common?

"Tear Down This Wall" (13)

Looking at the facts of the events you examined, determine a theme or "Big Idea" of the Cold War.

Examining The Cold War – Compare the Events

What do these events have in common?

Bay Of Pigs (11)

- In 1961 the United States sent trained Cuban exiles to Cuba to try and overthrow Fidel Castro's government.
- They failed miserably.
- The invasion is considered part of the Cold War because the United States was trying to prevent communism from taking hold in the Americas.

- Both events happened in the 1960s.
- Both events involved Cuba and the United States.
- Both events had failure - The US failed to overthrow Fidel Castro and the Soviet Union failed to install nuclear missiles.

Cuban Missile Crisis (12)

- The Cuban Missile Crisis occurred in 1962.
- The Soviet Union began to install nuclear missiles in Cuba.
- The United States refused to allow this.
- After thirteen tense days and many secret negotiations, the Soviet Union agreed to remove the missiles.
- This is perhaps the closest that the United States and the Soviet Union came to nuclear war during the Cold war.