

# The American Yawp

## Chapter 23 – The Cold War

### Quiz

1. What was the first military action taken by the United States against international communism?
  - a. American soldiers fought against the Red Army during the Russian civil war
  - b. American soldiers fought isolated battles against the Soviet Union during World War II
  - c. The Berlin Airlift
  - d. The Korean War
2. Greece and Turkey were early flashpoints in the Cold War. How did the United States respond to unrest in Greece and Turkey in 1947?
  - a. The United States established long range missiles in these nations, capable of reaching Moscow
  - b. The United States sent military advisers to train anti-communist forces in both countries
  - c. The United States actively intervened in Greece but not in Turkey
  - d. The United States sent \$400 million to both nations to be used in resisting communism
3. What was the purpose of the Marshall Plan?
  - a. Rebuild Western Europe
  - b. Create new markets for American goods
  - c. Generate support for Capitalist democracies
  - d. All of the above
4. When was the Atlantic Charter issued?
  - a. After World War I
  - b. Before the United States entered World War II
  - c. After World War II
  - d. When the Soviet Union invaded Korea
5. What was the message of NSC-68?
  - a. A warning that the idea of the domino theory may represent a slippery slope commitment that would result in dozens of new wars
  - b. An economic argument for isolationism
  - c. A call for a tripling of the annual defense budget for the purpose of stopping communism
  - d. All of the above

6. Who first advocated the policy of containment?
  - a. George Kennan
  - b. Winston Churchill
  - c. Harry Truman
  - d. George Marshall
  
7. Why was Douglas MacArthur removed from command?
  - a. His defensive tactics frustrated an impatient President Truman
  - b. He refused to attack Chinese forces because of a fear of starting World War II
  - c. He was publicly insubordinate to the Commander in Chief
  - d. He refused to recognize the cease-fire
  
8. How did President Eisenhower attempt to prevent a Soviet Attack on the United States
  - a. By creating a satellite-based missile shield
  - b. Issuing a policy of détente to increase diplomatic cooperation
  - c. By promising “massive retaliation” and appealing to the logic of “mutually-assured destruction”
  - d. All of the above
  
9. Which of the following nations were not a part of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)?
  - a. Sweden
  - b. Italy
  - c. England
  - d. France
  
10. Which of the following advantages did the Soviet Union achieve during the Cold War?
  - a. Launched the first orbiting satellite
  - b. Create the first intercontinental ballistic missile
  - c. Sending the first human into orbit
  - d. All of the above
  
11. Joseph McCarthy first achieved national prominence in February 1950 by waving a piece of paper that he claimed included 205 communists currently working in what capacity?
  - a. Hollywood executives
  - b. New York bankers
  - c. Military officers
  - d. Members of the Department of State
  
12. Which of the following most accurately describes religious commitment during the early Cold War years?
  - a. Americans attended church at higher rates than in any time in American history
  - b. The Pledge of Allegiance was modified in 1954
  - c. Anti-Catholicism and Anti-Semitism declined in the United States
  - d. All of the above

13. Why did the United States fail to help more of the decolonization independence movements during the 1940s – 1970s?
- The United States did serve as the most active supporter of decolonization independence movements
  - The United States was preoccupied with the arms race against the Soviet Union and therefore did not act one way or another during the decolonization struggle
  - The Cold War alliance with Western Europe led the United States to support many colonial powers
  - The United States was war-weary and an isolationist foreign policy prohibited active intervention for these decades
14. Why was the “loss” of China to communism so upsetting to Americans?
- China was the most populous country in the world
  - It came just after a successful Soviet atomic bomb test
  - Mao overthrew a western-backed government
  - All of the above
15. All of the following events related to the Korean War are true EXCEPT
- Communist forces took Seoul
  - The United Nations established the 38<sup>th</sup> Parallel as the boundary between North and South Korea
  - China sent nearly one million soldiers to repulse the UN-backed attack
  - An armistice was never officially signed