

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Topic \_\_\_\_\_

# Research Guide #1

Learning Goal: *Students will be able to describe how a specific event/conflict/theme was connected to the Cold War.*

During today's class, I would like you to begin researching your topic you chose last class. Remember that your answers should be in your own words with the exception of no more than 3 quotes that are only a sentence long and shown through quotation marks. Please also cite your sources that you have used on the "Bibliography" sheet you will be keeping throughout the project. The purpose of citing your sources is so that credit is given for using other people's ideas.

It is also always a good idea to avoid using wikipedia if at all possible and aim for cites that end in .gov, .edu, or .org. You may use cites as long as you believe they are a reliable source.

Make sure you explain your answers to the questions thoroughly enough so you understand what you meant when you look back at these notes to create your project.

## **Part I: Cold War Info**

This part is so you can learn more information about what the Cold War was before you begin researching your topic. (For these you do not have to cite your sources on the Bibliography Sheet. You can just write the name of the website next to your answer here. It is also okay to use Dictionary definitions as long as you put it in quotations and you may also use Wikipedia.)

1. What is the definition of a cold war?
2. What is the definition of communism?
3. What is the definition of socialism?
4. What is the definition of capitalism?

5. What is an arm's race?
6. What is the definition of containment?
7. What is the definition of Détente?
8. What was the "Eastern Bloc"?
9. What was NATO?
10. What was the Iron Curtain?
11. What was the USSR?
12. What was the Warsaw Pact?
13. Who were some of the American Presidents throughout the Cold War?
14. Who were some of the leaders of the USSR during the Cold War?
15. What was the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT)?
16. What was the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START)?
17. What was Mutually Assured Destruction (MAD)?

## **Part II: Describing Your Topic**

Now that you are done defining some Cold War terms, you should define what your topic is. Please write your answers in your own words and cite your sources on the Bibliography Sheet you have been given.

1. Summarize your topic in 3-5 sentences.
2. What is the starting date for your topic? (If your's is more of a theme than tell me roughly when it started.)
3. When is the ending date for your topic? (If your's is more of a theme than tell me roughly when it ended.)
4. What were some of the names of the people involved in your topic? (If it is a theme tell me more about the type of person that your topic affects. Is it regular average people? Leaders of countries? People who live in the U.S.? People who live in the USSR?)
5. Where does your topic take place mostly? (Ex. Western part of the U.S.; both in the U.S. and USSR, etc.)
6. Why was your topic important to America?

