

**Canada and the Cold War Questions**

**Use the Counterpoints textbook to answer these questions – pages 190-201**

1. Who was Igor Gouzenko? Why was he trying to warn the Canadian government?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What were the Soviet spies likely searching for in Canada?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What impact do you think the news of the Soviet spies had on Canadian attitudes towards the Soviet Union?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Describe the differences in political and economic systems between the U.S. and the Soviet Union.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. What were the main causes of the Cold War?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. The two superpowers – the United States and the Soviet Union – did not fight a traditional war. No shots were fired. What did they do instead?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. How did the Cold War affect Canada?

8. Use the chart below and the map on page 195 to list details of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the Warsaw Pact.

Alliance	Countries Involved	Purpose/Details
NATO		
Warsaw Pact		

9. Study the map on page 195. Label the countries of Europe in 1955 and use three different colours – one to represent NATO countries, one to represent Warsaw Pact countries, and one to represent neutral countries on the map below. Include a key on the map that displays what each colour represents.



10. Describe Canada's commitment to NATO.

11. What was the purpose of the North American Aerospace Defence Command (NORAD) and the Distance Early Warning (DEW) Line?

12. How did Canada's NORAD and the DEW line commitments cause Canada to become more controlled by the United States?

13. What was the Avro Arrow? Do you think Prime Minister Diefenbaker did the right thing by cancelling the Avro Arrow project in 1959? Explain.

14. What is the purpose of the United Nations (UN) and what was Canada's role in its establishment?

15. How has Canada provided support to the United Nations?

16. What was the Korean War about and why was Canada involved?

17. What was Canada's contribution to the war effort in Korea?

18. What led to the Suez Crisis?

19. Why did Canadian diplomat Lester Pearson win the Nobel Peace Prize?

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20. Do you think Canada's military should be equipped with nuclear weapons with which to defend ourselves or should we just rely on the United States to defend us if there is a war?

21. Summarize the events of the Cuban Missile Crisis.

22. During the Cuban Missile Crisis Canada and the United States pursued different policies. What was the Canadian government's reaction to the conflict?

23. Although Canada did not participate in the Vietnam War, it was affected by it. Explain three ways that the war had an impact on Canada.

24. What effect did the Cuban Missile Crisis and the Vietnam War have on Canada-U.S. relations?

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25. Describe the reasons why the Cold War ended.