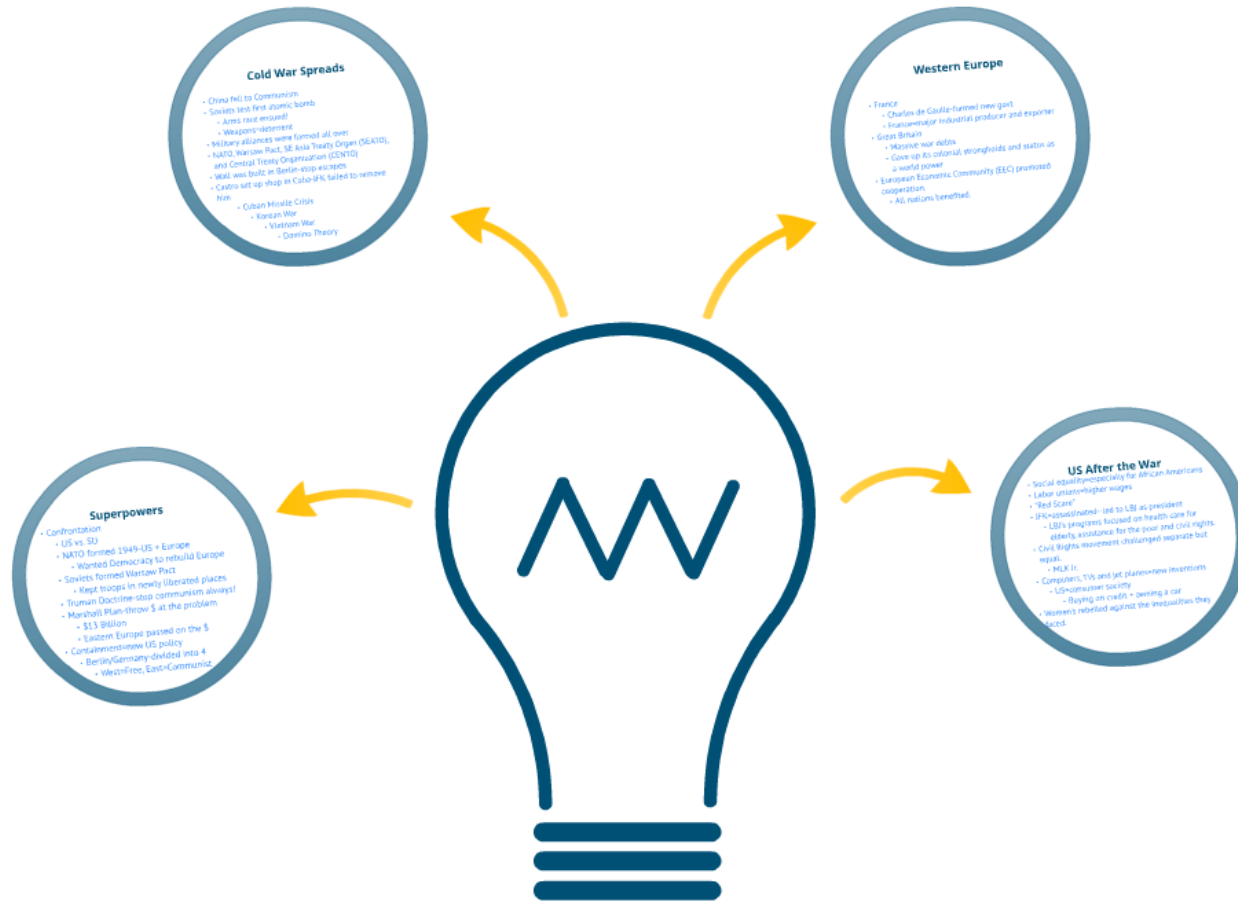


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Superpowers

- Confrontation
 - US vs. SU
 - NATO formed 1949-US + Europe
 - Wanted Democracy to rebuild Europe
 - Soviets formed Warsaw Pact
 - Kept troops in newly liberated places
 - Truman Doctrine-stop communism always!
 - Marshall Plan-throw \$ at the problem
 - \$13 Billion
 - Eastern Europe passed on the \$
 - Containment=new US policy
 - Berlin/Germany-divided into 4
 - West=Free, East=Communist



Cold War Spreads

- China fell to Communism
- Soviets test first atomic bomb
 - Arms race ensued!
 - Weapons=deterrent
- Military alliances were formed all over
- NATO, Warsaw Pact, SE Asia Treaty Organ (SEATO), and Central Treaty Organization (CENTO)
- Wall was built in Berlin-stop escapes
- Castro set up shop in Cuba-JFK failed to remove him
 - Cuban Missile Crisis
 - Korean War
 - Vietnam War
 - Domino Theory

Western Europe

- France
 - Charles de Gaulle-formed new govt
 - France=major industrial producer and exporter
- Great Britain
 - Massive war debts
 - Gave up its colonial strongholds and status as a world power
- European Economic Community (EEC) promoted cooperation.
 - All nations benefited.





US After the War

- Social equality=especially for African Americans
- Labor unions=higher wages
- "Red Scare"
- JFK=assassinated--led to LBJ as president
 - LBJ's programs focused on health care for elderly, assistance for the poor and civil rights.
- Civil Rights movement challenged separate but equal.
 - MLK Jr.
- Computers, TVs and jet planes=new inventions
 - US=consumer society
 - Buying on credit + owning a car
- Women's rebelled against the inequalities they faced.