

# THE COLLAPSE OF THE SOVIET UNION

<p>READING ONE: DÉTENTE BEGINS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. What is "brinkmanship" as applied to the Cold War?</li><li>2. What is détente as applied to the Cold War?</li><li>3. What was the SALT 1 agreement designed to do?</li></ol>
<p>READING TWO: DÉTENTE COOLS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>4. What happened during the Carter Administration that slowed détente down?</li><li>5. How did President Reagan view communist countries?</li><li>6. What military action did Reagan take in response to communist threats?</li></ol>
<p>READING THREE: MIKHAIL GORBACHEV AND GLASNOST</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>7. Who was Mikhail Gorbachev?</li><li>8. What was <i>glasnost</i>?</li><li>9. How did the people respond to <i>glasnost</i>?</li></ol>
<p>READING FOUR: GORBACHEV AND PERESTROIKA</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>10. What economic problems were facing the Soviet people?</li><li>11. What was perestroika designed to do for the Soviet people?</li><li>12. What were some examples of perestroika?</li></ol>

<p>READING FIVE: POLAND LEAVES COMMUNISM</p>	<p>13. Who was Lech Welesa? What was Solidarity?</p> <p>14. What happened to public opinion when the government refused to support Solidarity?</p> <p>15. Who was elected in the Polish election of 1990?</p>
<p>READING SIX: COMMUNISM FALLS IN GERMANY</p>	<p>16. Why did East Germans begin protesting in 1989?</p> <p>17. What happened to Berlin in 1989?</p> <p>18. What happened to Germany in 1990?</p>
<p>READING SEVEN: THE FAILED COUP</p>	<p>19. Who attempted to overthrow Gorbachev in 1991?</p> <p>20. How did the Soviet people respond to the attempted coup?</p> <p>21. What impact did the failed coup have on the communist party?</p>
<p>READING EIGHT: THE COLLAPSE OF THE SOVIET UNION</p>	<p>22. How many different ethnic groups were in the Soviet Union?</p> <p>23. How did these ethnic groups respond to the lack of Soviet control in the 1990's?</p> <p>24. What happened in 1991 to the Soviet Union?</p>