

I	<i>Origins: 1945-46</i>	Yalta Conference - last of wartime cooperation Potsdam Conference/ Atomic bombs Churchill's 'iron curtain' speech at Fulton
II	<i>Intensification: 1947-49</i>	Truman Doctrine -\$400 million to Greece and Turkey (March) Marshall Plan -\$13 billion for (western) European reconstruction (June) Cominform/Zhadanov doctrine (Sept.) Communist dictatorships established -Hungary (May '47) -Bulgaria (June '47) -Poland (Oct. '47) -Romania (Nov. '47) -Czechoslovakia (Feb. '48 coup) Berlin Blockade & airlift (June '48 - May '49) NATO (April '49) COMECON/ Molotov Plan ('49) West and East Germanys created (Aug./Oct '49) Soviet A-bomb ('49) Chinese Communist Revolution ('49) [McCarthyism: ~1948-mid 1950's]
III	<i>Escalation: 1950-53</i> (in Europe & Asia)	NSC-68 - massive arms build-up Korean War USA H-bomb massive retaliation or mutual destruction? USSR H-bomb Death of Stalin
IV	<i>Thaw: 1954-1963</i>	Austrian State Treaty (neutrality) Geneva Accords (Vietnam partitioned) Warsaw Pact Khrushchev's secret speech/peaceful coexistence Nuclear Test Ban Treaty
		*Episodes of confrontation in the midst of the thaw: 1956: Hungarian Uprising 1961: Berlin Wall constructed 1962: Cuban Missile Crisis 1961-1973: Vietnam War
V	<i>Detente: late 1960's to late 1970's</i>	
VI	<i>Renewal of Cold War/ Evil Empire under Reagan (1980's)</i>	
VII	<i>End of the Cold War - fall of Berlin Wall and break-up of the USSR</i>	