# Unit Y223: The Cold War in europe 1941-1995

Note: Based on 2x 50 minute lessons per week

Terms based on 6 term year.

| **Key Topic** | **Term** | **Week Number** | **Indicative Content** | **Extended Content** | **Resources** |
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| **The Origins of The Cold War to 1945** | 1 | 1 | The situation in 1941, Capitalism and Communism and general attitudes in East and West; | * What was The Cold War? * The situation in 1941 * The conflicting ideologies between Capitalism and Communism * *The Origins of* The Cold War | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Origins of The Cold War,* McCauley, Longman * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 1 | 2 | wartime tensions in the Grand Alliance; | * Growing Tensions during WW2 * Conflicting aims of the Big Three * Inter-allied negotiations 1943-1944 | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Origins of The Cold War,* McCauley, Longman * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 1 | 3-4 | conferences: tensions and difficulties at Tehran, Yalta and Potsdam; | * Terms and aims of the conferences * Growing tensions * End of the War * Events of Potsdam and their consequences | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Origins of The Cold War,* McCauley, Longman * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
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|  | 1 | 5 | the ‘liberation of Europe in the East and West’; | * The liberation of Europe and its impact | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Origins of The Cold War,* McCauley, Longman * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 1 | 6 | relations between Stalin, Churchill and Roosevelt (and later Truman and Attlee). | * The gradual Break-Up of the Grand Alliance * Relations between leaders | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Origins of The Cold War,* McCauley, Longman * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| **The development of the Cold War 1946–1955** | 1 | 6 | ‘Iron Curtain’ speech; | * Content and impact of the speech | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 1-2 | 7-8 | Soviet control of Eastern Europe: including Baltic States, Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Romania, Greece, Yugoslavia; | * Growing Soviet power in Eastern Europe and its consequences | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 2 | 9 | the Truman Doctrine and Marshall Aid; | * Main points of the doctrine * Reason for its development * Aims of the Marshall Plan * Soviet rejection of the plan | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 2 | 10 | Cominform and Comecon; | * How and why Europe was increasingly dividing into two blocs * Development of Cominform * Development of Comecon * Impact of these | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 2 | 11 | conflicts over Germany including the Berlin blockade and airlift; | * Germany under Great Power rule * Berlin blockade and airlift * Why did the blockade fail | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 2 | 12-13 | creation of West and East Germany; | * Emergence of a Western Bloc * London Conference of Foreign Ministers * The Brussels Pact and Western Union * Distribution of Marshall Aid and the question of European Integration * The division of Germany | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 2 | 13 | NATO; | * Reasons for the Treaty and what its aims were | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 2 | 14 | the Warsaw Pact; | * Increased Western integration * Stalin’s attempts to combat this * Changes in leadership in USA and USSR and their impact on The Cold War * East German Riots * Collapse of EDC * West Germany joining Nato * The Warsaw Pact Treaty | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 3 | 15 | atomic weapons. | * The Geneva Conference and its significance | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| **The Cold War 1956–1984** | 3 | 16 | The impact of the Hungarian Rising 1956, the Czech Crisis 1968 and events in Poland 1956 and 1980–1981; | * Destalinsation in USSR * Polish Crisis and the Return of Gomulka * The Hungarian Crisis * The Suez Crisis * The legacy of the Crises | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 3 | 17 | developments in Germany, including rearmament of the Federal Republic and its inclusion in NATO and the Berlin Wall; | * The Berlin Crisis, 1958-61 * The construction of the wall – and why it happened * Consequences of the wall – did it lead to a reduction in tension? | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 3 | 17 | the arms race; | * Growth in arms and the consequences | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 3 | 17 | Space Race; | * Events and impact of the Space Race | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 3 | 18 | Détente, the SALT talks and Ostpolitik; | * How much progress was made towards Détente in Europe and what problems had to be overcome? * Divisions with the Warsaw Pact * The aims of Brandt’s Ostpolitik and how he sought to achieve them * The Moscow, Warsaw and Prague Treaties 1970-3 | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 3 | 19 | Brezhnev Doctrine; | * The aims and contents of the Brezhnev doctrine * Economic and political consequences * Four Power Negotiations over Berlin * The Basic Treaty * The Helsinki Accord | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 4 | 20 | the impact of the ‘new Cold War’ (1979–1985). | * The weakening of Détente * Solidarity crisis in Poland * Ostpolitik under threat * Impact of the ‘new cold war’ | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Cold War,* Smith, Blackwell * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| **The end of The Cold War 1984–1995** | 4 | 21 | Economic and social problems in the USSR and Eastern Europe; | * Economic and social condition in the USSR and Eastern Europe and the influence on policy | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Collapse of the Soviet Union 1985-1991*, Marples, Pearson * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 4 | 21 | western influence; | * Western influence | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Collapse of the Soviet Union 1985-1991*, Marples, Pearson * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 4 | 21 | the pressure of the arms race; | * The arms race and its impact * Détente renegotiated | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Collapse of the Soviet Union 1985-1991*, Marples, Pearson * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 4 | 22 | Gorbachev, glasnost and perestroika, Afghanistan, events of 1989 in Eastern Europe; | * Gorbachev’s policies * Impact of the policies * Withdrawal from Afghanistan * Eastern European events | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Collapse of the Soviet Union 1985-1991*, Marples, Pearson * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 4 | 23 | the coup of 1991 and Russia under Yeltsin; | * Reform in Russia * Role of Yeltsin and consequences of coup | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Collapse of the Soviet Union 1985-1991*, Marples, Pearson * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 4 | 23 | reunification of Germany; | * Collapse of the GDR * How unification was achieved | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Collapse of the Soviet Union 1985-1991*, Marples, Pearson * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |
| 4 | 24 | civil war and the break-up of Yugoslavia to 1995. | * Events and impact | * *The Cold War 1941-95*, Williamson, Hodder * *Years of Division: Europe since 1945*, Laver, Rowe, Williamson, Hodder * *The Collapse of the Soviet Union 1985-1991*, Marples, Pearson * *Europe and The Cold War,* Williamson, Hodder |

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