

AP United States History

Early 60's Cold War

- Bay of Pigs — 1961
 - CIA leads mission to invade and cause Cuban people to uprise against Castro, fails miserably
 - JFK faces a stronger Soviet/Cuba alliance
- Berlin Wall — 1961
 - Khrushchev demands US troops out of Berlin, JFK refuses
 - Soviets put up wall to divide East and West Berlin; US tanks present, but did not interfere in construction
- Cuban Missile Crisis — 1962
 - US Spy planes find missile sites in Cuba
 - JFK employs brinkmanship: Quarantines (blockades) island, technically act of war
 - Hostile negotiations developed with the Soviets
 - JFK orders Soviets out, but they said US should remove missiles in Turkey which JFK initially refuses
 - Crisis narrowly resolved by behind the scenes negotiations
- Post-Cuba New Strategy
 - JFK moves from brinkmanship and massive retaliation to Flexible Response
 - More spending on non-nuclear arms but send troops overseas to places like Vietnam and Africa
 - 1963 Nuclear Test Ban Treaty