Curriculum Overview Subject: History

Term: Spring

Unit	EQ: How close did the world get to World War III?
Enquiries	
Focus	Cause, consequence and significance.
Synoptic theme	Ideas and beliefs. War and conquest.
Topic Overview	 Russian revolution; difference between Communism and capitalism. Origins of the Cold War, breakdown of the alliance between the USA and USSR, role of atomic bomb and ideological differences. Flash point of Berlin and the Berlin blockade. Cause of the blockade, the Berlin airlift, split of Germany. Cause of the conflict in Korea and consequences. Reasons for and significance of the Berlin Wall. Cuban revolution, Bay of Pigs invasion and the Cuban Missile Crisis. Reasons for the conflict in Vietnam, reasons why the USA had to withdraw their troops. Detente and war in Afghanistan. End of the Cold war.
Key vocabulary:	Cold War, superpower, USSR, proxy war, Communism, Capitalism, democracy, arms race, Mutually assured destruction, Viet Cong.
Homework	30 minutes a week ; retrieval of knowledge, storyboards, or Seneca.
Support	BBC Bitesize Seneca
Assessment	 Skills assessment on consequences and significance Interim assessing current topic (20 mark)

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