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| **What will we be learning?****Cold War Unit 3:****The end of the Cold War 1970-91** | **Why this? Why now?**This is the third unit is all about the reduction in tension and how the superpowers are able to start to work together in order to relieve the tension between them. This is turn leads to vast changes for the superpowers in leadership, alliances and power.  | **Key Words:****See Glossary****Key People****Leonid Brezhnev****Richard Nixon****Henry Kissinger****Jimmy Carter****Hafizullah Amin****Ronald Reagan****Mikhail Gorbachev****Boris Yeltsin** |
| **What will we learn?****1 Attempts to reduce tension between East and West** * Détente in the 1970s, SALT 1, Helsinki, and SALT 2.
* The significance of Reagan and Gorbachev’s changing attitudes.
* Gorbachev’s ‘new thinking’ and the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Force (INF) Treaty (1987).

**2 Flashpoints** * The significance of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the Carter Doctrine and the Olympic boycotts.
* Reagan and the ‘Second Cold War’, the Strategic Defence Initiative.

**3 The collapse of Soviet control of Eastern Europe** * The impact of Gorbachev’s ‘new thinking’ on Eastern Europe: the loosening Soviet grip on Eastern Europe.
* The significance of the fall of the Berlin Wall.
* The collapse of the Soviet Union and its significance in bringing about the end of the Warsaw Pact.
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| **What opportunities are there for wider study?** **Careers:** * Doctor
* Journalist
* International relations

**Trips:** * Berlin Trip
* Guest Lectures at Chalke Valley History Festival

**Further Reading:** Pearson Cold War TextbookThe Cold War- Martin WalkerThe Cold War- C.B.Jones |
| **How will I be assessed?*** 8 mark exam questions in class
* Regular Knowledge Tests and Seneca completion
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