

Cuban Missile Crisis



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For young learners (Grades 4 to 7)

1. How long was the Missile Crisis standoff between the Soviet Union and the USA?
2. The Cuban Missile Crisis took place during the Cold War. What is a 'cold war'?
3. Who defied Prime Minister John Diefenbaker? Why was this significant?

For advanced learners (Grade 8 and up)

4. Why was Canada the only ally to provide military support to the USA? List your answers in point form.
5. Would you have sided with Diefenbaker or Harkness? Defend your position in paragraph form. Conduct more research if necessary.
6. Was the Cuban Missile Crisis a turning point in the Cold War for the USA? For the Soviet Union? For Canada? Respond in an essay format and argue which side was most impacted by these events.