



ISD Virtual Learning

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Objective/Learning Target: Students will explain the policy of Detente between the US and USSR that tried to ease Cold War tensions.

Warm Up

As you watch, think why would it be beneficial to the US to want to end the cold war? What other countries wanted to end the fighting? What stopped the detente?

[Detente Explained](#)

Lesson Activity/Practice

[Textbook Link](#)

Read P. 988-991 and answer these questions:

1. What do you consider the most important reason for the collapse of detente?
2. What changes did Alexander Dubcek look to make in Czechoslovakia in 1968, and what happened?
3. Why was the policy of brinkmanship replaced?

Answer Key

1. What do you consider the most important reason for the collapse of detente? **Answers could vary, talk about reagan years increasing defense and military spending, anti-communist sentiment and symbols, arming of Nicaragua Contras,**
2. What changes did Alexander Dubcek look to make in Czechoslovakia in 1968, and what happened? **Less censorship, time known as the "Prague Spring;" Warsaw Pact nations invaded**
3. Why was the policy of brinkmanship replaced? **Turmoil in the U.S. over the policy**

Reflection

[Reagan Years Crash Course](#)