**THE ORIGINS OF THE COLD WAR – IDEOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES Worksheet**

The Cold War was more than just a war between two countries. It was a war between two ideologies: Communism and Capitalism, and the USA and the USSR both feared each other’s ideology. The organization of their world was based on very different principles in politics, economic activity and lifestyle (society). The US being capitalist and a democracy (freedom and a two-party) and the USSR being a communism and a dictatorship (had secret police and was a one-party state.) Both sides had reasonable and sensible, but totally opposite viewpoints. With such differing beliefs, it is inevitable that they would disagree.

**Instructions**

1. Read chapter 1 of the text ***History - 20th Century World: The Cold War*.**
2. **Using the information from chapter 1 and further research, complete the following table below.**
3. Feel free to use ANY resources possible, but **DO NOT COPY AND PASTE**.
4. Feel free to use the table below and adjust the size of each box according to the amount of information you have provided.

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|  | **CAPITALISM (USA)** | **COMMUNISM (USSR)** |
| **DEFINITION** |  |  |
| **OVERALL BELIEFS** | Ex.   * USA believed the USSR wanted to make the world Communist – they were worried something called the Domino theory |  |
| **POLITICAL IDEOLOGY** |  |  |
| **ECONOMIC ACTIVITY** |  |  |
| **SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR** |  |  |
| **FOREIGN POLICY** |  |  |
| **SELF-INTEREST** |  |  |

**Mark Scheme**

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| **A** | **B** | **C** | **D** | **F** |
| * **Excellent – fully defined/discussed with examples (wherever appropriate).** * **The differing ideologies between the two are discussed fully.** * **The table illustrates the differences between the two and directly alludes to the growing tension between the two countries.** * **Well researched!** | * **You have defined and discussed the two differing ideologies with good examples (wherever appropriate) very well.** * **The table explains the differences between the two countries and begins to show how the differing points discussed contributed to the tension between the two countries.** * **Adequately researched.** | * **You have provided a decent amount of explanations in your discussion about the two differing ideologies and provided some examples (wherever appropriate).** * **The table provides a general overview of the differences between the two countries and shows some hints as to how the differing points discussed above contributed to the tension between the two countries.** | * **You have done a decent attempt in explaining the significance of each concepts, but lack solid details and examples (wherever appropriate).** * **The table briefly shows a simple overview of the differences between the two countries and barely hints at how the differing points discussed above contributed to the tension between the two countries.** | * **Little or no attempt has been done in this activity.** |