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Reagan and the End of the War

Instructions: Using the textbooks (not the primary source books), you will find key details about Reagan's presidency and the end of the Cold War. You will have a limited amount of time to do each section, with class activities in between. You may work in groups of up to 3.

Section 1: Reaganomics (10 minutes)

1. Read the section called "Reaganomics" on pages 465-6. Define the following terms:

a. **Stagflation** (a combination of *stagnation* and *inflation*)

b. **Supply-side economics**

2. Why might some people call Reagan's economic policies "trickle-down economics?"

3. How did Reagan want to help investors and businesses?

4. How did he manage the resulting deficit in the federal budget?

a. REVIEW: Who created most of the programs Reagan was getting rid of, and what "greater" movement were these programs part of?

Video Questions

According to Reagan's speech, what were the two things hurting the American economy?

What does Reagan promise to America as a result of his economic policies? Using what you know about the economy during the 80s, 90s, and 2000s, was he successful in delivering on that promise? Defend your answer.

Section 2: Reagan's Presidential Policies (10 minutes)

1. Read the quote from Reagan on page 464. What are 2 ways you can think of that his experiences lifeguarding may affect his presidency?

2. Read the section called "Arms Control" on page 468. How were Reagan's policies concerning the arms race different than those of his predecessors?

3. Answer the "Reading Progress Check" on page 468 (hint: look on page 437)

a. Summarize Nixon's policy of détente (same hint)

Section 2: Changes in Russian leadership (10 minutes)

1. Free Response: In your opinion, what would it take for the Cold War to end and tensions between the U.S.S.R. and the U.S.A. to get better?

2. Using the glossary, define these terms

a. **Glasnost**

b. **Perestroika**

3. Read the section called "The Soviet Union Collapses" on pages 473-474. How does "perestroika" compare to communism?

4. What were the consequences of Gorbachev implementing glasnost?

<i>Video Questions</i>

Glasnost and Perestroika

What does the word perestroika mean in English? _____

What was one of the professions that benefited most from glasnost, and why?

Why was Yeltsin so popular with the Russian people?

What policy change was Gorbachev's biggest example of perestroika?

The Fall of the U.S.S.R.

What circumstances did Gorbachev come to power under and what caused them?

What was the first country to leave the U.S.S.R.? _____

By the end of which year had the U.S.S.R. dissolved? _____

Final Questions – Homework (If you don't finish in class)

How did international relationships change in the late 80s and early 90s, and what made them change that way?

How do the events during Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush's presidencies continue to affect the world today?
