

Cold War Nations - Threat of Communism Speech

Imagine: You are working for a Senator in the 1950s who opposes Communism. He has assigned your team to write him a speech describing the threat of Communist expansion around the world.

Group Work: Each member of your team is to research and take notes on one country/area. You can select from the following choices:

- Europe
- United States
- Guatemala
- Korea
- China
- Egypt

Resources: Sections 19.2 and 19.3 of your text

Product: Once the notes are gathered and written, the team needs to get together to write the speech that the Senator will give at a campaign rally.

Consider:

Events that have led up to the current situation.

Agencies that may help the U.S. in their concern about Communism.

Who are the U.S. leaders in fighting Communism?

Requirements:

1. Each member of the team needs to have $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ of a page of notes on the country they researched. These note sheets are to be stapled in a packet with the group's speech on top.

(10 points per group member)

2. Campaign speech must have:

- An interesting introduction to catch the audience attention **(5 points)**
- At least as many countries as there are group members **(5 points)**
- Complete and accurate information **(10 points)**
- A conclusion that states the action(s) you believe the U.S. should take in response to the threat of Communist expansion. **(5 points)**

Speeches will be read on Friday. Your group will decide how to present the speech to the class. The class selection of the best speech – that is complete and expresses the perceived threat of Communist expansion in the 1950s will receive 5 bonus points.

Notes and speech must be handed in at the end of the class period on Friday, March 19th!