



## LESSON 8.1.2 | WATCH | Crash Course US History #37 The Cold War

### PURPOSE

In this video, you will be introduced to The Cold War and the basics of the ideological conflict between the United States and the Soviet Union. The video will also touch on how this conflict and the choosing of sides impacted life in America and around the globe.

### LINK

- [Crash Course US History #37–  
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Watch the video on your own time, either at home, on your phone, or in the library.

### PREVIEW

In which John Green teaches you about the Cold War, which was the decades long conflict between the USA and the USSR. The Cold War was called cold because of the lack of actual fighting, but this is inaccurate. There was plenty of fighting, from Korea to Vietnam to Afghanistan, but we'll get into that stuff in the next episode. This time we'll talk about how the Cold War started. In short it grew out of World War II. Basically, the Soviets occupied eastern Europe, and the US supported western Europe. This setup would spill across the world, with client states on both sides. It's all in the video. You should just watch it.

### PROCESS

Remember that John speaks very quickly, and you should watch the video with captions. Don't forget to pause and rewind when necessary. Before you watch the video, remember to look back at the central ideas of the Unit 8 Essential Questions and the Lesson 8.1 Essential Questions.



