

## 8.7 America as a World Power

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**KEY WORDS** cold war competition abroad 冷战竞争 • cold war 冷战 • sun belt 阳光地带 • nato 北约

### Objective

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Build the skills to explain **Cold War competition abroad** 冷战竞争.

**You must be able to:**

- state where Cold War competition extended and with what qualification
- state what decolonization led both sides to do
- state what many new nations did
- name the two things Americans debated

### 1 Worked examples

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Study these first. Each one shows the method for a task used later.

#### ■ Latin America

**Cold War competition extended to Latin America, where the United States supported non-Communist regimes that had varying levels of commitment to democracy.** The qualification is the CED's own and it is exact.

#### ■ Decolonization

**Postwar decolonization and the emergence of powerful nationalist movements in Africa and the Middle East led both sides in the Cold War to seek allies among new nations.**

#### ■ Nonalignment

**Many of which remained nonaligned.** New nations were not simply distributed between the blocs; many refused both.

#### ■ Two debates

**Americans debated the merits of a large nuclear arsenal and the military-industrial complex.** The domestic argument about the means of global leadership.

## 2 Practice

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**2.1** State where competition extended and the CED’s qualification. [2]

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**2.2** State what decolonization led both sides to do and what many new nations did. [2]

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**2.3** Americans debated the means of leadership.

(a) Name the two subjects. [2]

(b) State what “varying levels of commitment to democracy” concedes. [1]

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## 3 Exam-style questions

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**3.1** Many new nations in Africa and the Middle East [1]

- **A** remained nonaligned
- **B** joined NATO
- **C** joined the Warsaw Pact
- **D** returned to colonial rule

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**3.2** Americans debated the merits of a large nuclear arsenal and [1]

- **A** the military-industrial complex
- **B** the tariff
- **C** immigration quotas
- **D** the Sun Belt

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**3.3** A power supports a regime that is not democratic in order to keep it out of a rival bloc.

(a) State the CED's phrase. [1]

(b) Explain the tension this creates. [2]

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## Solutions

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**2.1** to Latin America, where the United States supported non-Communist regimes with varying levels of commitment to democracy.

**2.2** both sides sought allies among new nations; many remained nonaligned.

**2.3** (a) a large nuclear arsenal; the military-industrial complex. (b) that some supported regimes were not democratic.

**3.1 A.** nonaligned.

**3.2 A.** the military-industrial complex.

**3.3** (a) regimes with varying levels of commitment to democracy. (b) the stated aim of the policy included defending free institutions, which support for undemocratic regimes contradicts.