**Causes of the Cold War Viewing Questions**

Watch the video below and answer the questions that follow:

<https://youtu.be/WzpIoy3nS1I>

1. What were the two superpowers that emerged after World War II?
2. What were the main ideological differences between the United States and the Soviet Union during the Cold War?
3. What was the Nazi-Soviet Pact, and what did it involve?
4. What was the significance of the Soviet invasion of Poland in 1939?
5. What were the different motivations of Stalin and Hitler for signing the Nazi-Soviet Pact?
6. What was Operation Barbarossa, and what was its outcome?
7. How did the experiences of the United States and the Soviet Union differ during World War II?
8. What were the main points of contention at the Yalta Conference?
9. How did the outcomes of the Yalta Conference contribute to the onset of the Cold War?
10. What changes occurred at the Potsdam Conference compared to the Yalta Conference?
11. What was the main topic of discussion at the Potsdam Conference?
12. How did the Potsdam Conference contribute to the economic divide between East and West?
13. What was the significance of the disagreement over Poland at the Potsdam Conference?
14. What led President Truman to decide not to give further aid to the Soviet Union?
15. Why is the period of tension between the Soviet Union and the United States called the "Cold War"?
16. What were some consequences of the Cold War?

**Paragraph Writing**

Based upon what you learnt in the video, answer the following question in paragraph format (Topic Sentence, Explanation, Evidence, Concluding Sentence):

*What differences did Stalin and the Western leaders have about the future of Europe after WWII?*