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The Fall of Communism Guided Notes

1. Germany was divided into how many zones after World War II?
2. What did the Allies do with their zone?
3. When was the Berlin Wall built?
4. The Berlin Wall divided Germany into what two countries?
5. When did the Berlin Wall fall?
6. What happened to the Soviet Union in December of 1991?
7. This ended what war?
8. Indeed, the breakup of the Soviet Union transformed the entire world political situation, leading to a complete reformulation of _____, _____ and _____ alliances all over the globe.
9. The Soviet Union was built on approximately the same territory as what?
10. What years did the Russian empire last?
11. What happened in Russia in March of 1917?
12. What happened in Russia in November of 1917?
13. What type of economic system did the newly formed government in Russia develop?
14. The type of economic system in the previous question later developed in what system?

15. What is capitalism?
16. What is socialism?
17. What is communism?
18. Complete the chart
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| Capitalism = | = |
| Socialism = | = |
| Communism= | = |
19. What were the three reasons Communism fell in Russia?
20. Who took over Russia in 1985?
21. What problems did this new leader, who took over in 1985, face?
22. What two programs did this new leader initiate?
23. What is glasnost?
24. What is perestroika?
25. Where did the dissent of Russia begin?
26. Who were the first three countries to demand independence from Russia?
27. How did Gorbachev feel about this?
28. What was the next republic to rebel?
29. Once "Pandora's Box" was opened, nationalists movements erupted in what other countries?

30. What happened on August 19, 1991?

31. After the failed coup attempt, it was only a few _____ until the Soviet Union completely collapsed.

32. What three issues have the new countries created by the collapse of the Soviet Union had to face since their creation?