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Use the vocabulary words and definitions below as a reference for this unit.

- Alliance for Progress** President Kennedy's program to provide economic aid for Latin American countries
- anti-Castro** Cubans opposed to Fidel Castro and the government he led
- ban** to prohibit or stop
- Bay of Pigs** a failed invasion of Cuba by Cuban exiles trained by the United States
- Berlin Wall** a wall built by East German and Soviet soldiers to keep East Germans from escaping to West Berlin
- Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)** United States agency that gathers information about foreign countries and affairs
- coalition government** a government made up of opposing political parties who share in the running of a country's government
- cosmonaut** a Soviet astronaut
- Cuban Missile Crisis** incident in which United States forced the Soviet Union to remove nuclear missile bases it had built in Cuba
- freedom riders** people of different races who traveled to the South to protest segregation in bus stations

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National Aeronautics and Space

Administration (NASA) United States agency in charge of space program

naval quarantine blockade of a country's ports to keep cargo from coming in and out of the ports

New Frontier John F. Kennedy's social and economic programs of the early 1960s

Nuclear Test Ban Treaty agreement between the United States, Great Britain, and the Soviet Union not to test nuclear weapons above ground or underwater

Peace Corps a program established by President Kennedy that sent trained American volunteers to needy countries

pro-Western friendly to the United States and its allies

ransomed exchanged for money or other object of value

sit-in a form of demonstration used by African Americans to protest discrimination, in which protesters sit down in a segregated business and refuse to leave until they are served

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

(SCLC) organization put together by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to combat discrimination across the country

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Who's Who in the New Frontier

Fidel Castro	James Meredith
Ngo Dinh Diem	Lee Harvey Oswald
Medgar Evers	Phillip Randolph
Yuri A. Gagarin	Walter Reuther
Ho Chi Minh	Bayard Rustin
Lyndon B. Johnson	Alan B. Shepard
John F. Kennedy	George C. Wallace
Nikita Khrushchev	Earl Warren
Martin Luther King, Jr.	Roy Wilkins
John Lewis	Whitney Young
Floyd McKissick	