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# The Vietnam War - Vocab Cards

**attrition ]>**

**gradually weakening an enemy through constant attacks.**

In the Vietnam War, both sides waged a war of \_attrition\_ with many surprise attacks instead of a few large battles.

attrition

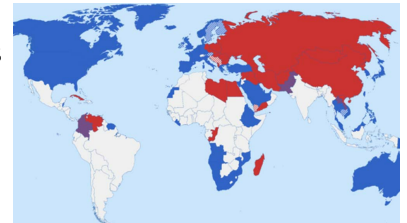
Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Draw this vocab word or an example of it:

**Cold War ]>**

**the period of political, ideological and economic rivalry that occurred after World War II between the former USSR and its communist allies and the United States and its democratic allies.**

After World War II, the Soviet Union, China and their allies were involved in a political and ideological power struggle with the U.S. and its allies known as the \_Cold War\_.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

Make a connection between this word and another word or idea:

## communism ]>

**an economic and political system in which the government owns and controls all goods and means of production, and private property is eliminated.**

Pedro argued that \_communism\_ could be good. He said if the government owned factories, farms and other means of production, the economy would be regulated and people would have steady jobs.

communism

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## domino theory ]>

**a theory that if one nation becomes communist, its neighboring nations will also become communist one by one.**

The \_domino theory\_ was a major reason the US became involved in the war in Vietnam. Government officials worried that communism would spread throughout Asia.



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**draft ]>**

**a system for selecting young people for required service in the armed forces.**

After Congress declared war, many people feared the \_draft\_ would be reinstated and they would be forced to join the army.



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**guerrilla ]>**

**a member of an unofficial or loosely organized group of soldiers that harasses and sabotages the enemy.**

\_Guerrillas\_ conducted frequent surprise attacks on the US soldiers.



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**herbicide ]>**

**a substance that is used to destroy and/or prevent plant growth.**

The gardener sprayed a(n) \_herbicide\_ in the cracks in the driveway to prevent weeds from sprouting up.



Use this word in a sentence or give an example to show you understand its meaning:

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**socialism ]>**

**an economic system in which the government owns and controls the main industries, but private property is allowed.**

Unlike communism, \_socialism\_ allows individuals to own personal property.



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