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Cold War Vocabulary Answer Key

1. D - Containment
2. F - Deterrence
3. H - Mutually Assured Destruction (MAD)
4. E - Iron Curtain
5. C - Arms Race
6. G - Space Race
7. B - Proxy War
8. A - Domino Theory

Teacher's Guide

Purpose: Students strengthen understanding of **Cold War ideologies** and **key vocabulary** that defined global tension between the U.S. and USSR.

Tips for Differentiation:

- **For emerging learners:** Provide short visual clues or use flashcards with images (rockets for Space Race, wall for Iron Curtain).
- **For advanced learners:** Ask students to write an example of each term from history (e.g., "Korean War" for Proxy War).
- **For English language learners:** Pre-teach the word "ideology" and model how each term represents a belief system.

Engagement Ideas:

- Use a "Team Democracy vs. Team Communism" review game where students match terms to sides.
- Turn the definitions into a memory match or "Who Am I?" oral challenge.

Extension Ideas:

- Have students research which modern conflicts or alliances still show traces of these Cold War ideas.
- Encourage a short paragraph explaining which ideology-containment or expansion-they think shaped the modern world more.