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## **Kennedy and the Cold War, pages 526-534**

1. Read the Inside Story on page 526. Why might radio listeners and television viewers have had different opinions of the candidates' performances in the debates?
2. What issues did President Kennedy's 1960 election platform focus on?
3. Why were Protestant voters concerned about Kennedy?
4. How did President Kennedy's advisors differ from past presidential advisors?
5. Who authorized the CIA to train Cuban exiles to invade Cuba? What was the purpose of the invasion?
6. How did Fidel Castro come into power? What did he do as leader that the U.S. did not like?
7. Why did President Eisenhower allow the CIA to plan an invasion even though he doubted how effective it might be?
8. What were three reasons why the Bay of Pigs invasion failed?
9. Why did Khrushchev think that Kennedy was a weak president?

10. What two demands were made by Khrushchev at the Vienna conference?
  
11. How did Kennedy respond to the Soviet Unions demands?
  
12. Look at the image in page 531. What were the methods used to keep people from crossing from East Berlin into West Berlin?
  
13. How did the Berlin wall come to represent the struggle between communism and democracy?
  
14. What two actions by the U.S. concerned the Soviet Union before the Cuban Missile Crisis?
  
15. How did Khrushchev react to U.S. actions?
  
16. Why was the blockade of Cuba considered a better choice for ending the crisis over an air strike?
  
17. Why do you think that Kennedy chose to ignore Khrushchev's second letter?
  
18. Do you think that Kennedy handled the Cuban Missile Crisis well? Is there anything he should have done differently? Explain your answer.
  
19. What was the purpose of the Peace Corps?
  
20. Why wasn't the Alliance for Progress as successful as the Peace Corps?