***CNN Cold War Series* “Iron Curtain” Viewing Guide**

**Directions**: Watch the program - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2l7Xcl8sF2M> – and answer the following questions:

1. What was the message, and the implications, of Churchill’s speech in Fulton, MO in March 1946 (you will need to come back to this question later in the program to fully answer)?

2. How were American and Soviet homecomings/immediate post war experiences different?

3. What happened to Germany, and Berlin, because of having lost the war?

4. Explain the “population transfer” that occurred in Poland following the war?

5. Why did the British intervene in the Greek Civil War?

6. How did Stalin extend control in Eastern Europe (or the so-called ‘Satellite States’)?

7. What were Stalin’s fears immediately following the war? How did he act on those fears?

8. Why did the Poles agree to a close alliance with the Soviet Union following WWII?

9. What was the message, and the implications, of Stalin’s speech at the Bolshoi in February 1946?

10. Who was George Kennan? What was his perspective on Soviet intentions? On what did he base his recommendations for a US response?

11. Describe the situation in Turkey. Why did the conflict arise? What role did Iran play in the situation?

12. What was the Clifford-Elsey report? What was the report’s significance?

13. How did the arguments about Germany increase the tensions at this time?

14. What was happening in Russia and Germany by 1947? What were the American fears regarding the situation in Germany?

15. Why did Great Britain withdraw aid from Greece and Turkey? How did the US respond?