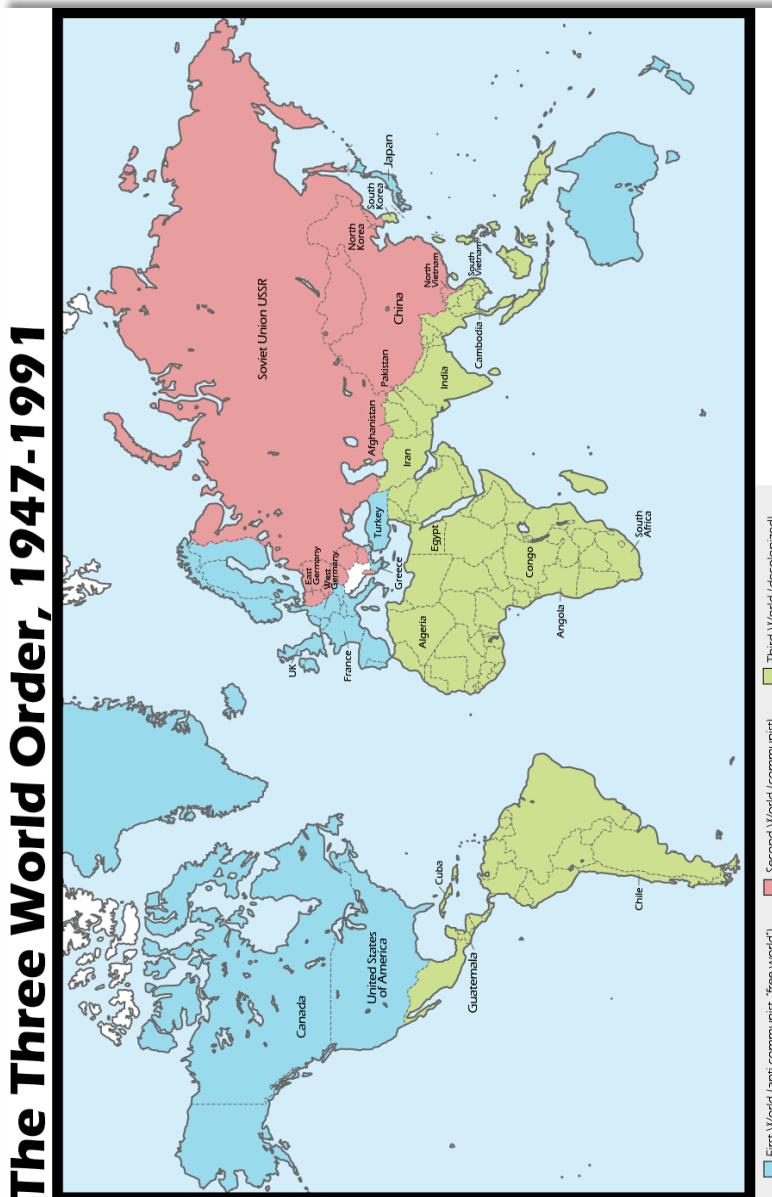


CWW2.2.1. Decolonization through Maps (Three World Order)

Directions: In the next few pages, you'll find a number of maps detailing the fate of former colonies in the Cold War era. In groups of two or three, review each map and answer the accompanying questions.

Editor's note: During the Cold War western leaders described the world's geography by organizing it into First, Second, and Third World nations. Implicit in this ordering was a ranking of countries in the world. Today people do not divide the world along these lines, but for the purposes of learning about how people discussed countries and alliances during the Cold War, it is important to see the divisions.

1. What nations were in the First World? Which side of the Cold War did the First World take?
 2. What nations were in the Second World? Which side of the Cold War did the Second World take?
 3. Where were the Third World countries located? Which side of the Cold War did the Third World take?
 4. In which of the three worlds were most of the imperialist nations (the colonizers)?



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