



ANSWERS

1. A tense standoff between the Soviet Union and the United States in 1962 over the placement of nuclear missiles.
2. The U.S. tried to overthrow Castro's government in Cuba; they also installed several nuclear missile sites within strike range of the Soviet capital of Moscow
3. The Soviets felt they needed the capability to retaliate in the event of a U.S. attack.
4. The Cuban government wanted protection against another possible U.S. invasion.
5. from an American U-2 spy plane mission flying over Cuba
6. He set up a naval blockade to prevent any offensive weapons from entering Cuba. Kennedy also announced to the world that the U.S. would consider any attack originating in Cuba as a Soviet act of war.
6. Though publicly, the Soviets were refusing to back down, they were secretly negotiating with the U.S. The Soviet Union agreed to remove the missiles provided the U.S. never invaded Cuba again. The U.S. was also required to remove their missiles from Italy and Turkey