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Unit 3: Assignment 4.1: Cold War Map: Reading a Map**Step 1: Read the Title and Legend**

1. What map is being studied (provide the book title, page number, figure number)?
2. What is the map's title?
3. A map legend, also called a map key, is a small box or area on a map that explains what the different symbols, colors, and lines on the map mean. Its purpose is to help you understand what you're looking at by showing you what each symbol represents, like roads, rivers, cities, or parks. This way, you can read the map correctly and know what each feature stands for. What kinds of information does the map legend provide?
4. What historical period does the map refer to?
5. What is the map's purpose, i.e. what information is the creator trying to show)?

Step 2: Examine the Map's Features

6. What patterns can you find in the use of labels and symbols? Are some names or symbols bigger, bolder, or in different colours? Why do you think this is?
7. In what ways is colour used to provide the viewer with information?

Step 3: Analyze the Map's Information

8. What is the map about?
9. How is its information communicated?
10. What conclusions can you draw from this map?