

In 1952 Fulgencio Batista was elected as the president if Cuba.

He later turned his rule into a dictatorship, giving himself all political power within Cuba.

During his leadership, U.S. investment in crops and factories were booming, especially in regards to sugar production.

Under Batista's rule the citizens of Cuba were unhappy with mass poverty along with poor healthcare and education.



Batista

A man by the name of Fidel Castro led an uprising against Batista.

Because Batista was so unpopular with the citizens, Castro was able to overthrow Batista's government and made himself dictator of Cuba in 1959.

Castro improved some problems faced by Batista such as healthcare and educational reform.

Fidal Castro

During both Batista and Fidel Castro's rule, American businesses were buying land and building factories in Cuba to produce sugar.

All of the prosperity from Cuba came to a halt on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1959 when Castro seized total control of the government.

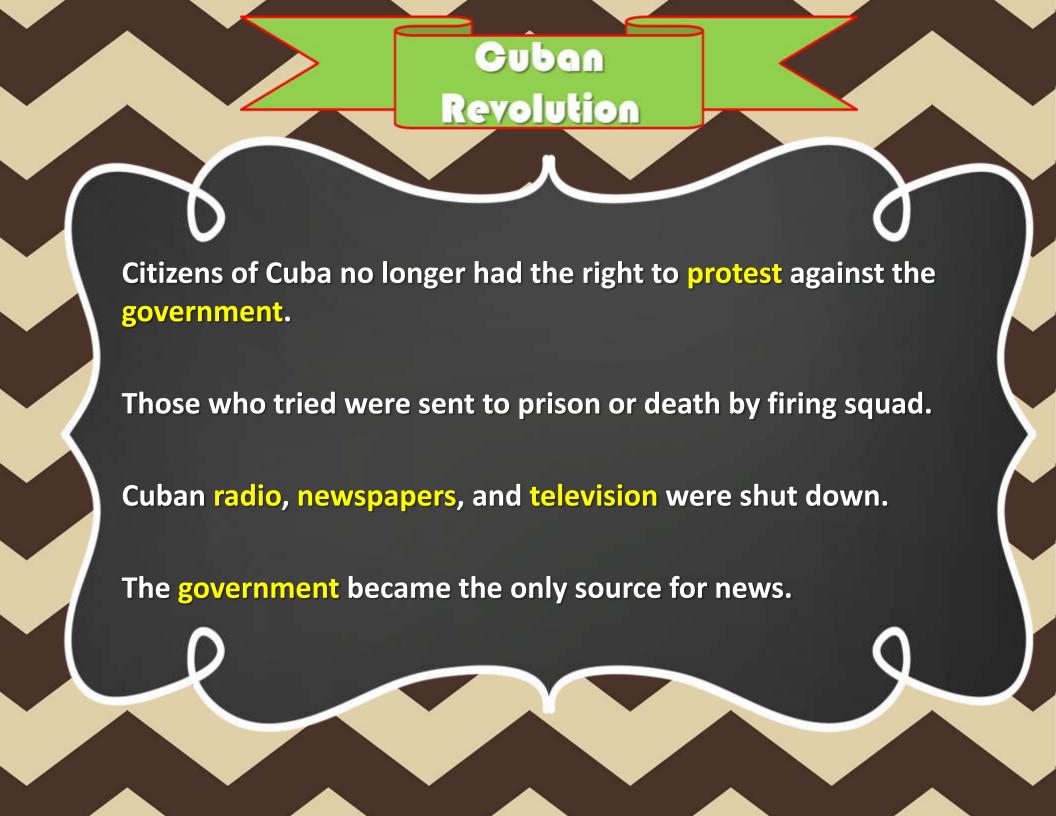
By the late 1950s, U.S. financial interests owned 90% of Cuban mines, 80% of its public utilities, 50% of its railways, 40% of its sugar production and 25% of its bank deposits—some \$1 billion in total.



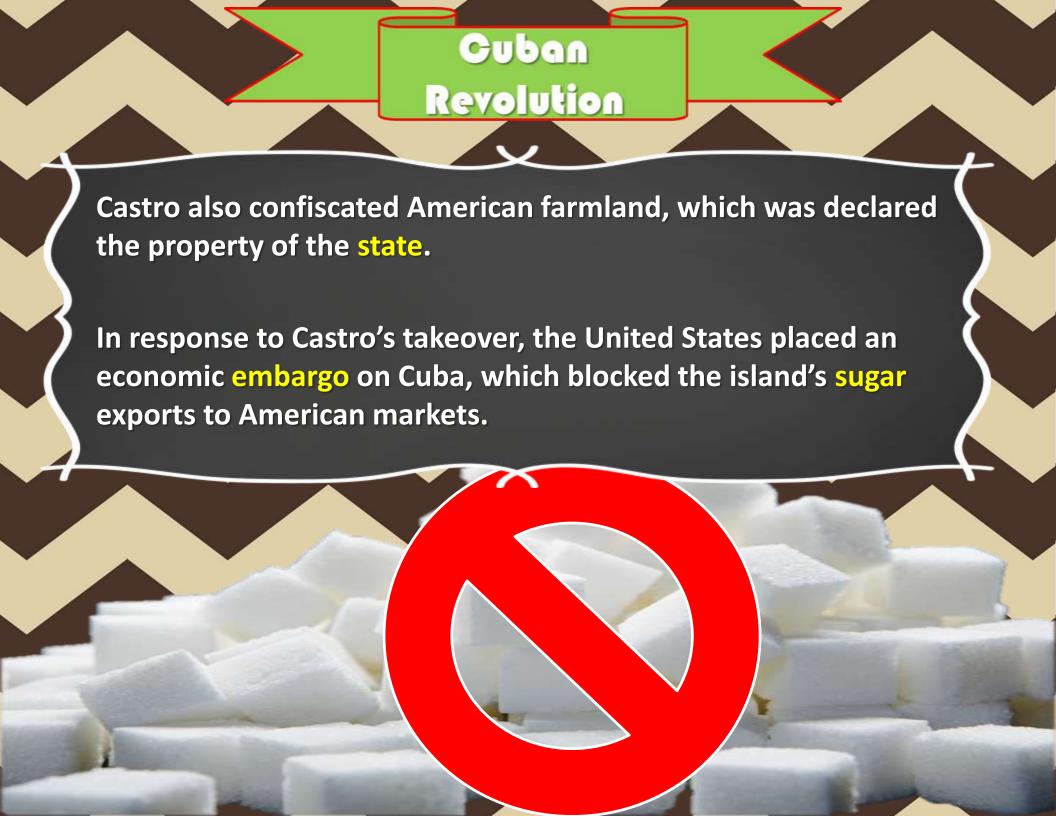
He began by organizing a communist government. All farms, factories, and businesses owned by Cubans and Americans became government property.

The United States owned over 1 billion dollar's worth of business/trade in Cuba at the time.

Seizing property hurt both American and Cuban business owners due to lost investments and property.







#### Castro Control Freak Movie

#### Gastro Control Freak Movie

Directions. In the movie script notebook below, write what Fidel Castro took control of from the Cuban Citizens on the front, and what Castro took from American Citizens on the back. On both television screens illustrate a scene that would represent Castro's takeover of each. Don't forget to fill in the subtities!







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What action did the U.S. government take to economically hurt Cuba? Did it work? Why?



Initially the Embargo hurt the Cuban economy because of the sugar not being exported to the United States.

The Soviet Union, who became fast friends with the new Cuban leadership, agreed to purchase its sugarcane as well as providing the Castro regime with weapons and military training.

Although the Castro regime did provide improvements to education and healthcare, civil rights on the island were severely restricted.

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Hospitals and Schools
improved

Women and blacks became better educated and had better jobs.

Cons

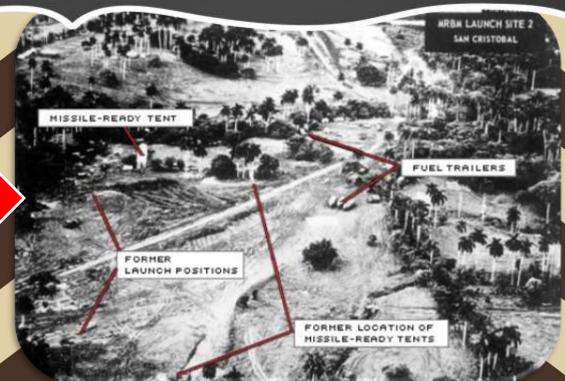
All property was seized including churches.

Most parts of people's lives were controlled by the government.

Having an enemy of the United States only 90 miles from the Florida coast made many Americans uneasy.

To make things even worse Cuba allowed the Soviet Union (U.S.S.R.) to build a missile launching complex on the island, as well as house a substantial complement of intermediate and medium-range ballistic missiles capable of hitting large U.S. cities.

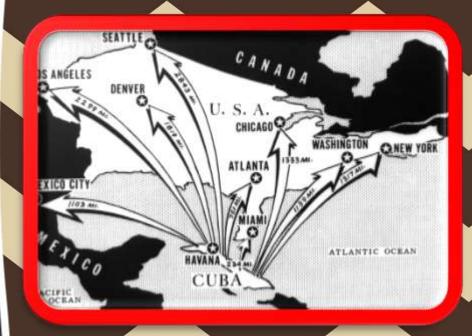
Actual satellite photo of missile complex



Once U.S. intelligence found out about the missile launching complex a thirteen-day standoff known as the Cuban Missile Crisis unfolded.

The Cuban Missile Crisis was the world's first nuclear standoff.

At the push of a button both countries could lose millions of lives worldwide.



The map above shows all the potential cities in harms way of the missile complex.



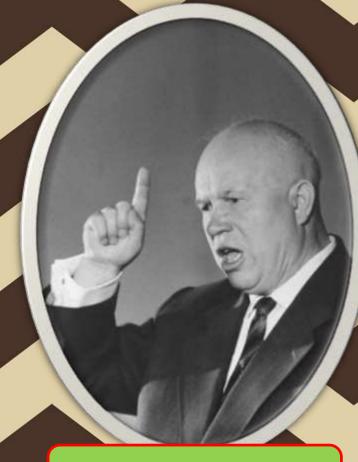
Prior to the Cuban Missile Crisis the closest thing to such devastation was the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki to end WWII.

While both A-Bomb and Nuclear bombs are deadly, a nuclear bomb causes massive radiation. The radiation alone has the potential to tens of thousands of people world wide.

Nikita Khrushchev was the Soviet Premier (leader) at the time of the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Khrushchev argued that the placement of missiles in Cuba were aimed at American cities only to counter the presence of American missiles in Italy and Turkey.

Khrushchev also claimed the missiles were in response to the Bay of Pigs one year earlier.



Nikita Khrushchev



The Bay of Pigs disaster was a plan to take out Castro's regime by the CIA of the United States.

The CIA trained 1,400 Cubans military tactics and supplied them with guns and ammo for the uprising.

Within 2 days of the invasion, the invaders were badly outnumbered by Castro's troops.

Within 2 days all invaders surrendered.



John F. Kennedy was the president of the United States during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Kennedy diffused the situation through diplomatic means ending the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Khrushchev agreed to dismantle all Russian Missiles in Cuba and send them back to Russia.

Although the Kennedy administration diffused the situation through diplomatic means, the Cuba Missile Crises was arguably the closest the world – up to that point – had ever come to a Third World War.



John F. Kennedy



Analyze the picture above closely. Explain the comic and how it relates to the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Over the coarse of fifty years the relationship between Cuba and the United States has improved.

In 2015 each nation reopened its embassy in the others capital in July 2015.

The U.S. eased trade restrictions on Cuba in January 2016 to help jumpstart Cuba's economy.



## Cuban Missile Crisis Political Cartoon

Cuban Missile Crisis Political Cartoon

Directions. In the box below draw a political cartoon involving the relationship between the Soviet Union and the U.S. during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Explain your political cartoon from above.

# **Cuban Revolution Writing Prompt**

We have learned about the Cuben Revolution. Using your slotted notes and vocabulary sheet; Define dictator, explain the relationship between Fulgencio Satista and Fidel Castro, and give examples of communist rule by Fidel Castro.

Include information about the following: 1. Define dictator 2. Fulgencia Batista. 3. Fidel Castro. 4. Examples of communist rule by Castro.

#### Writing Rubric: \$56H1c Cuban Revolution

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#### SS6H1 - Explain conflict and change in Latin America

c. Explain the impact of the Cuban Revolution and describe the current relationship between Cuba and the United States.

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#### Benchmark Example: Great Depression

The Stock Market Crash of 1929 marked the beginning of the Great Depression for the U.S.

The Great Depression was a time of economic turmoil for most Americans. President Herbert Hoover was the president during this the Great Depression. Many Americans blamed him for causing the Great Depression. During the election during the Great Depression many Americans felt electing Franklin Roosevelt was a way out of their hard times. Franklin Roosevelt was elected president after Hoover and created the Works Progress Administration and the Civilian Conservation Corps to help give jobs to citizens by employing them to conserve America's natural resources such as national forest and employing them to help rebuild America's infrastructure such as roads, buildings, and highways.

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# Nuclear Bomb out the Door

Explain the conflicts that led up to the Cuban Missile Crisis.

