

To what extent were the actions of Ronald Reagan the most important reason for the end of the Cold War? (9 marks)

### INTRODUCTION:

Give a background sentence that explains that the Cold War ended.

E.g. *On 3 December 1989, Gorbachev met with the new American President, George Bush. They made an historic announcement: the Cold War was over.*

Then, go on to do the following in your introduction:

- Briefly state that Reagan's actions helped end the Cold War, but that there were also other factors and go on to list 2 other factors.
- Choose 2 other factors that you think were important out of the following:
  - Detente
  - The actions of Gorbachev
  - Opposition to communism within the Eastern Bloc

E.g. *The actions of Ronald Reagan were definitely important in ending the Cold War but other factors such as... (list the other 2 factors you want to write about) also played a part.*

### PARAGRAPH 1 – Actions of Ronald Reagan

- Explain how Reagan's actions helped end the Cold War
- Try to mention TWO things Reagan did
- TWO good, detailed sentences are fine here.

E.g. *The actions of Ronald Reagan were important in ending the Cold War because... (state one of the things he did). This helped end the Cold War because... (explain why it helped end the Cold War). Another thing Reagan did was... This was important because...*

### Paragraph 2

- Explain how another factor that you chose in your introduction helped end the Cold War

E.g. *Another reason the Cold War ended was because of... This helped end the cold war because...*

### Paragraph 3

- Explain how the last factor you chose in your introduction played a part in ending the Cold War

E.g. *Lastly, the Cold War ended because of... This was because...*

### CONCLUSION

- Make a **judgement** and give a supporting **reason**

E.g. *In conclusion, I think the most important reason for the end of the Cold War was.... This is because....*