"SPY SHORTS" GUIDING QUESTIONS

IMPACT OF THE VENONA PROJECT

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Below are some guiding questions to help you engage with the film, make connections, and dig deeper into the topic. Start by THINKing critically as you watch, REFLECT on key ideas afterward, and explore further through RESEARCH and related resources.

As you watch, THINK...

- What was the purpose of the Venona Project?
- How did the relationship between the Soviet Union and United States change during the Venona Project?

After you watch, REFLECT...

- Why do you think the Venona Project was kept secret for so long?
- What lessons can we learn from the Venona Project about the dangers of espionage and the importance of national security?

After you watch, RESEARCH...

- How did the Venona Project play a role in the case of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg?
- What did the Venona Project reveal about the Cambridge Five?

Want to learn more?

- Jell-O Box used to convict the Rosenberg's of espionage (ARTIFACT)
- Certificate of Participation Manhattan Project (ARTIFACT)
- Manhattan Project Bomb Pin (ARTIFACT)