

**Scholastic News Zone**  
**Special Online Issue: After the Cold War**

**Exploring Political Cartoons**

**Find a recent political cartoon about nuclear weapons, the Antiballistic Missile Treaty, or the proposed missile shield. Use the cartoon to answer the questions below:**

1. What is the setting of the cartoon? (Where and/or when does the action take place?)

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2. Describe one symbol used in the cartoon. What does it stand for?

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3. Describe a second symbol used in the cartoon. What does it stand for?

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**4.** What is happening in the cartoon?

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**5.** What message do you think the cartoonist is trying to get across?

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**6.** Do you agree with the cartoonist's view? Why or why not?

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