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**Chernobyl Group Activities**

*Instructions: With your group, complete each activity.*

**Activity 1: News Report**

Video 1 (Watch until the five minute mark)

* + - What did Moscow news stations claim?
    - What did they show to support their claim?
    - What are some of the symptoms that workers exposed to high amounts of radiation might suffer?
    - Were experts concerned about radioactive fallout reaching the US?
    - If the Ukrainian grain were damaged by the accident, what would Russia have to do?

Video 2

* + - What did the Soviets claim happened at the Chernobyl Atomic Plant to one of the atomic reactors?
    - Why were the Soviets quick to acknowledge the “accident”?
    - What happened to the “radioactive cloud” that originated near Kiev?
    - How many nuclear reactors did the Soviet Union have?
    - Why was the radiation not contained?

Question:

Justify the Soviet Union officials’ decision to withhold information from the international community about the damage done to Chernobyl.

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**Activity 2: Timeline**

*Try to piece together the timeline of Chernobyl from first to last. Show your answer by writing the order you think the events go in.*

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**Activity 3: Picture Analysis**

*In your group, pair off. One group will analyze Photo 1, while the other will analyze Photo 2. Once you are done, collaborate with your group and compare pictures.*

Photo 1



Analysis

* **D**escribe what you see:
* **I**nfer what happened:
* **E**valuate the situation:

Photo 2)



Analysis

* **D**escribe what you see:
* **I**nfer what happened:
* **E**valuate the situation:

Group Question: What are the global consequences of the accident at Chernobyl?

**Activity 4:**

*Define the following terms.*

Regional Cooperation:

Transboundary Pollution:

Why would countries in Europe (and around the world) be concerned about nuclear fallout from the Chernobyl Accident?

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How could Soviet Russia cooperated differently with its neighbors?

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**Activity 5:**

Re-watch Gummy Bear Chernobyl

* If you were a citizen of the Soviet Union, what would you have wanted to know from the government?

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