Teacher Answer Key

Case Study

1. Gorbachev wanted openness and economic reform; instead, they exposed weakness and sped collapse.

2. U.S. became sole superpower, 15 new states emerged, instability spread.

Multiple Choice

1. D

2. A

3. C

Matching

1-E, 2-A, 3-D, 4-B, 5-C

Fill-in-the-Blank

1) Ural, 2) 1991, 3) oil and natural gas

Short Answer (Sample Responses)

Q1: Russia's size, resources, and location give power but make infrastructure difficult.

Q2: Some rely on Russian trade or culture; others seek Western alliances for security.

Q3: Reforms can destabilize if they fail to address deeper economic and political issues.