**Chapter 21—Revolution, Socialism, and Global Conflict: The Rise and Fall of World Communism, 1917–present**

**Seeking the Main Point**

**What was the appeal of communism, both in terms of its promises and its achievements? To what extent did promise match achievements?**

***Download and save this document so you can return to it as you take notes and for studying.*** *Use this chart to record both the promises and achievements of communism as you come across them in your reading. If you copy and paste from the text, make sure to put quotation marks around the copied material; however, if you can think of a way to put it into your own words, you should do so.*

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|  | **Promise** | **Achievement** |
| **Political** |  |  |
| **Economic** |  |  |
| **Social** |  |  |
| **Cultural** |  |  |

*After you have read the chapter, use your notes to compose an essay that answers this question:*

**Were the promises of communism achieved or even achievable in practice?**

*Be sure to include an opening, introductory paragraph in which you state your thesis. Then use the body of your essay to provide evidence from the chapter to support that thesis. End by writing a clear conclusion to your essay.*