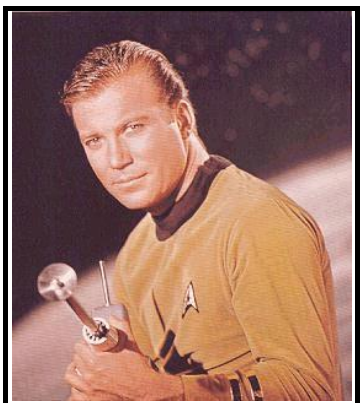


Star Trek and the Cold War



When Gene Roddenberry created the first *Star Trek* series (in 1966), he based it on the Cold War and events surrounding it.

The storylines were loosely based on events going on in the world around him, and were designed to give people hope for the future. If you look closely at the original series (including the movies) you should see some interesting parallels . . .



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Since its creation in 1966, Star Trek has been reincarnated in the following television series and feature films:

Television Series:

The Original Series (1966–1969)
The Animated Series (1973–1974)
The Next Generation (1987–1994)
Deep Space Nine (1993–1999)
Voyager (1995–2001)
Enterprise (2001–2005)

Feature Films:

Star Trek: The Motion Picture (1979)
Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan (1982)
Star Trek III: The Search for Spock (1984)
Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home (1986)
Star Trek V: The Final Frontier (1989)
Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country (1991)
Star Trek: Generations (1994)
Star Trek: First Contact (1996)
Star Trek: Insurrection (1998)
Star Trek: Nemesis (2002)
Star Trek (2009)
Star Trek into Darkness (2013)

It comes as no coincidence that Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country (whose storyline is based on the collapse of the Klingon Empire) was released in 1991 – the same year that witnessed the collapse of the Soviet Empire.