






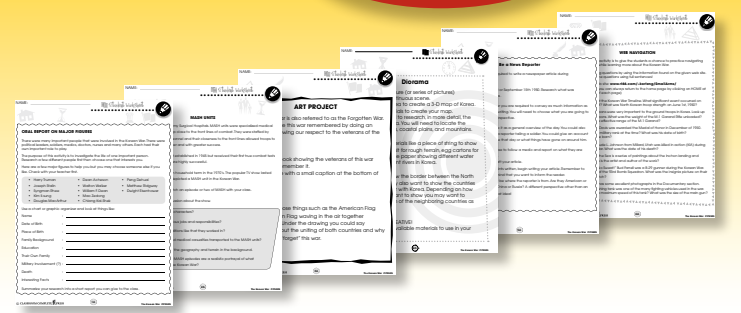
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Location and Geography

1. Below is a map of East Asia. Locate where you think Korea is and explain your choice.



2. From your choice above explain what you believe the weather would be like and why?

3. Go onto the classroom computer and find a map to locate Korea. Were you correct in your choice above? How far off were you?

4. Define the word **peninsula**. Use a dictionary to look up the word and write the definition. Do you think Korea is a peninsula?



Location and Geography

The country of Korea is located on what is called the Korean Peninsula in north-east Asia. Korea is divided into two separate countries- North Korea and South Korea. The Korean Peninsula, which includes both North and South Korea, shares a short 11.806 miles (19 kilometers) border in the north-east with Russia and a longer 869.91 miles (1400 kilometers) border with China in the north-west. Because it is a peninsula it is surrounded by water on three sides- the Yellow Sea to the west, the East China Sea to the south, and the Sea of Japan to the east. Japan lies only a short distance from Korea across the Sea of Japan. The total land area of Korea is around 84,942.47 square miles (220,000 square kilometers) which is around the size of the state of Minnesota.



In North Korea the land is very mountainous. Almost eighty percent of North Korea is made up of highlands and mountains. There are wide coastal plains in the west and very few plains in the east where the mountains tend to drop abruptly to the coast. Most of the population tend to live in the lowlands and plains areas. The two main rivers in North Korea are the Yalu River which flows westward and marks the border with China, and the Duman River which separates North Korea from Russia and China.



Location and Geography

1. Circle the answer that is most correct.

- a) **Korea borders on:**
 A Japan and China.
 B Russia and Japan.
 C Russia and China.
 D Russia, China and Japan.
- b) **Korea is:**
 A as large as the United States.
 B the size of 3 football fields.
 C around the size of Minnesota.
 D close to the size of Japan.
- c) **The two main Rivers in North Korea are:**
 A Yalu River and Duman River.
 B Japan River and Dunman River.
 C Jan-the ham River and Nakdong.
 D The Geum and the Yalu River.
- d) **How many major rivers are in South Korea?**
 A One
 B Two
 C Three
 D Four

2. Circle the words that do not belong in the groupings found below.

Lowlands	Highlands	Rivers	Sun
Snow	Rain	Ocean	Sleet
Washington	Japan	Canada	Korea

3. What is the main agricultural crop in Korea?

4. Describe the climate in Korea. Do they experience four seasons or is the temperature the same all year around?

A Geographical Comparison

The border between North and South Korea is the 38th parallel of latitude. Follow the 38th parallel through the United States. Pick a state that the parallel runs through and compare and contrast that state with that of Korea.

Look at things like:

- Terrain
- Geography
- Climate
- Seasons
- Agriculture
- Industry
- Cities





Crossword Puzzle!



Across

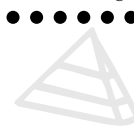
1. Small country bordering on China and Russia
3. Attack of an army for conquest
5. In the Cold War both sides feared a _____ war
7. This aircraft was first used in the Korean War
9. Type of bomb dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki
11. First president of South Korea
13. North Korea, the Soviet Union and China had this type of government



Down

2. the 38th parallel is this type of line
4. Secretary General of the Soviet Union
6. people who lost their homes due to the war
8. Communist country that supplied arms to North Korea
10. U.S. President at the start of the Korean War
12. A piece of land nearly surrounded by water
14. U.S. General - Commander of UN forces
16. A type of Soviet propeller plane used by the North Korean Air Force
18. These mobile weapons gave North Korea a big advantage at the start of the war

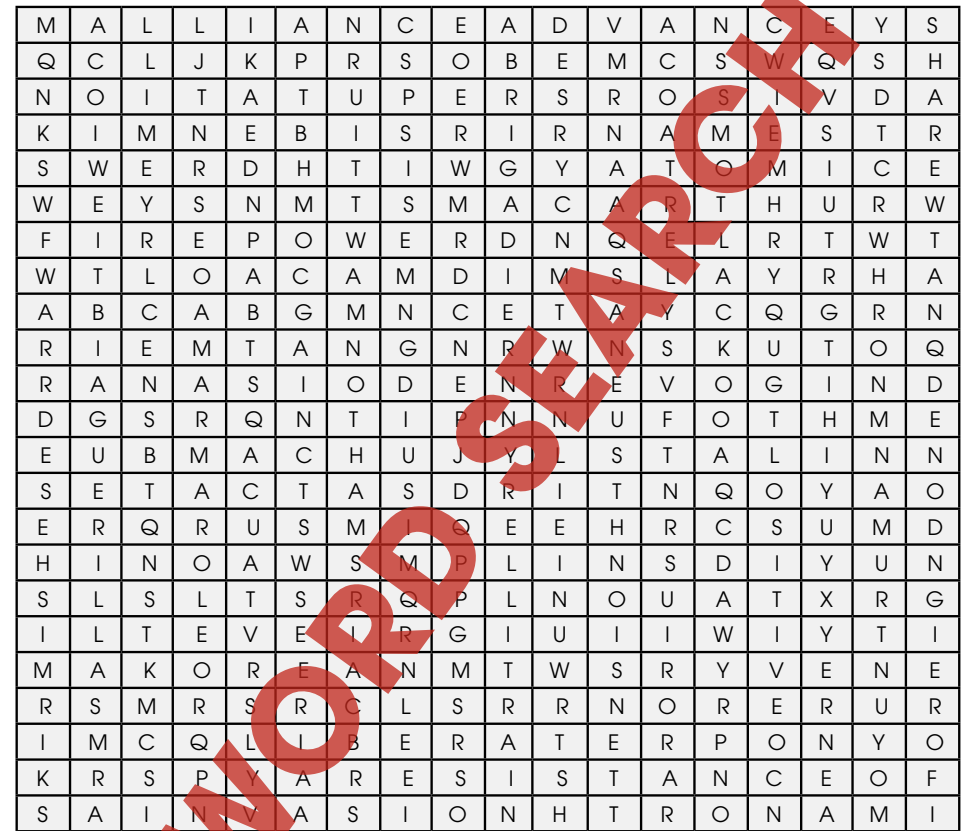
Atomic	MacArthur	Syngman Rhee
Communist	Nuclear	Tanks
Helicopter	Peninsula	Truman
Invasion	Refugees	Yakovlev
Korea	Soviet Union	
Latitude	Stalin	



Word Puzzle



Find all of the words in the Word Search. Words are written horizontally, vertically, diagonally, and some are even written backwards.



Word List

Advance	Artillery	Fought	Latitude	Reputation	Stalin
Advisors	Atomic	Governed	Liberate	Resistance	Tension
Air	Brigadier	Guerillas	MacArthur	Rhee	Truman
Alliance	Firepower	Invasion	Nation	Skirmishes	War
Arms	Foreign	Korea	North	South	Withdrew



Comprehension Quiz

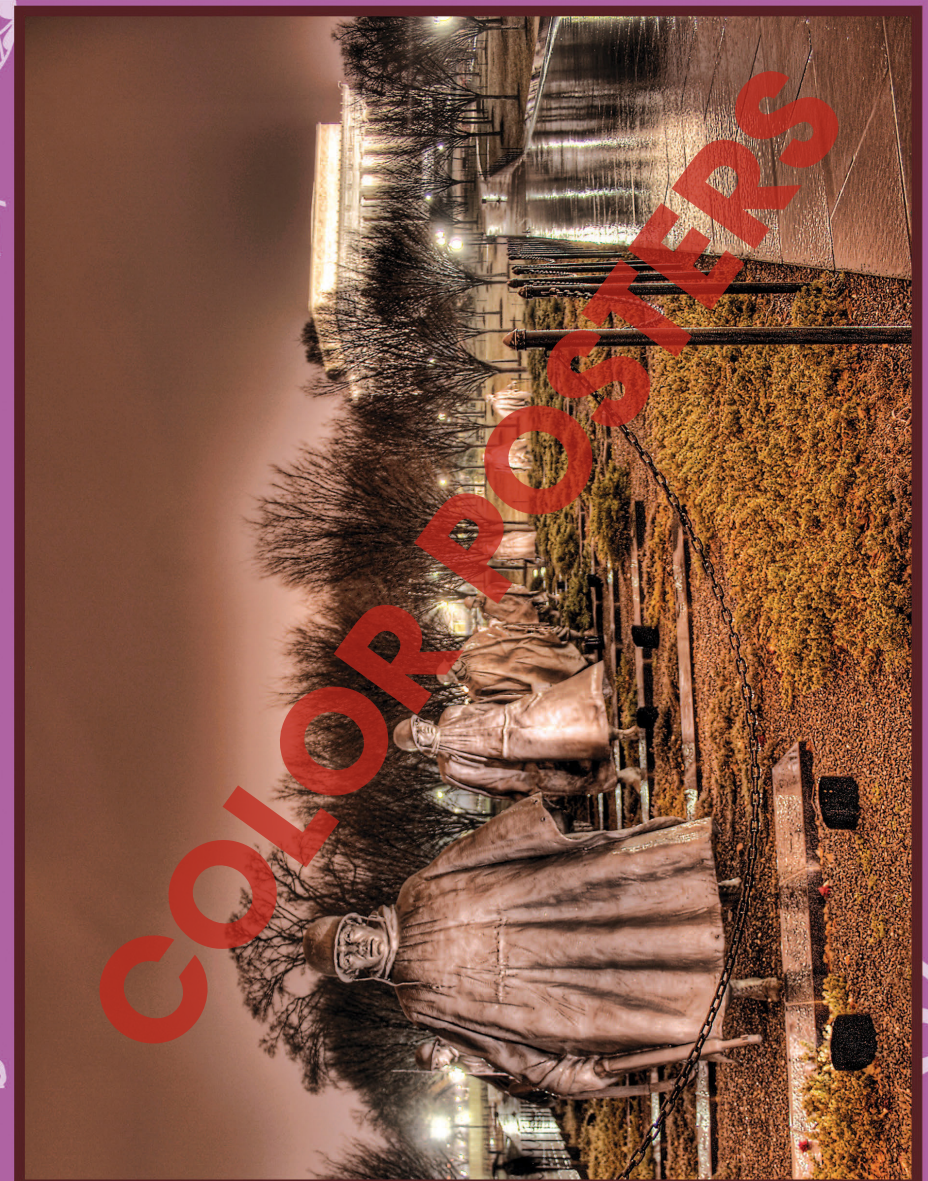


Part A

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 - B. June 25, 1941
 - C. June 25, 1950
 - D. June 25, 1949
2. North Korea is mostly made up of:
 - A. Mountains
 - B. Plains
 - C. Lowlands
 - D. None of the above
3. DMZ stands for:
 - A. Decomposed Military Zone
 - B. Demilitarized Zone
 - C. Decommissioned Monetary Zone
 - D. None of the above
4. The Han River flows through:
 - A. Nakdong
 - B. Pusan
 - C. Chalsin
 - D. Seoul
5. Who was the US President when the Korean War started?
 - A. Truman
 - B. Eisenhower
 - C. Stalin
 - D. George W. Bush
6. Kim Il-sung was:
 - A. Leader of North Korea
 - B. Secretary General
 - C. A Captain in the Soviet Red Army
 - D. All of the above
7. South Korean military and police forces executed people for being:
 - A. Democratic
 - B. Communist
 - C. Korean
 - D. American
8. In the United States the Korean War is often referred to as:
 - A. A police action
 - B. The Korean Conflict
 - C. The Senseless War
 - D. a and b
9. The Korean War Memorial in Washington, DC was dedicated by:
 - A. Clinton
 - B. Bush
 - C. Truman
 - D. Eisenhower
10. How many United Nations countries were involved in the war?
 - A. 25
 - B. 24
 - C. 20
 - D. 22

SUBTOTAL: /10

The Korean War Memorial Washington, D.C.



NAME: _____

After You Read 

Comprehension Quiz

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Multiple Answers

A	D	V	A	N	C	E	Y	S
B	E	M	C	S	W	Q	S	H
R	S	R	O	S	I	V	D	A
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E	E	H	R	C	S	U	M	D
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L	N	O	U	A	T	X	R	G
I	U	T	T	W	I	Y	T	I
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A	T	E	R	P	O	N	Y	O
I	S	T	A	N	C	E	O	F
N	H	T	R	O	N	A	M	I

Part A

- C
- A
- B
- D
- A
- D

Part B

- TRUE
- TRUE
- FALSE
- FALSE
- TRUE
- TRUE
- FALSE
- TRUE
- FALSE
- TRUE



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