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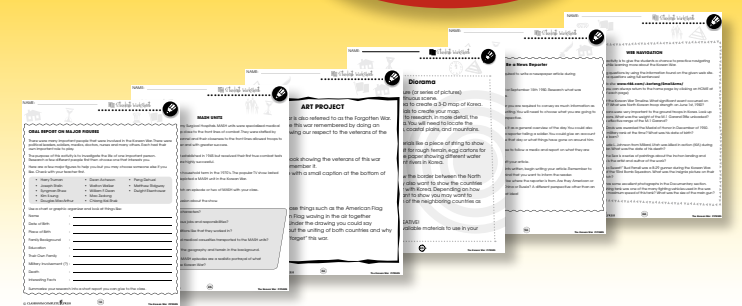
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Major Battles

1. Can you name some of the countries that are a part of the United Nations?

2. Using your classroom computer pick a country other than the United States and find out when they joined the United Nations.

3. Using your own words explain what exactly the United Nations is and why it was formed.

4. Is there still a United Nations today? Explain why it is important.



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Major Battles

On June 25, 1950 North Korean forces rolled across the border at the 38th parallel and moved quickly southwards. They met with little resistance and within days they had captured several key cities with South Korean forces fleeing south in retreat.



When talking about the United Nations forces it is important to remember that the United States supplied around fifty percent of the ground forces and they were joined by troops and supplies from fifteen other United Nations countries including: Canada, Britain, Australia, New Zealand, France, Greece, Turkey, South Africa, Thailand, Ethiopia, the Netherlands, Belgium, Colombia, the Philippines, and Luxembourg.



When did North Korea attack South Korea?

When the war first broke out there were no foreign troops stationed in Korea. The closest troops to Korea were American forces stationed in Japan and on June 30th Colonel Charles Smith was ordered to proceed to Korea with his Division (around 500 troops). The operation, called Task Force Smith, was the first battle fought by the American troops in Korea. Their job was to slow down the advancing North Korean troops. On July 5th the two forces met but the Americans were vastly outnumbered and outgunned. Smith's troops did not have the firepower to stop the North Korean tanks and they just rolled through. They were followed later by almost 4000 North Korean troops, and with his force in danger of being totally cut off, Smith ordered a withdrawal. Most of Smith's men made it back to American lines.

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Major Battles

1. Circle the statement that is most correct.

a) **The North Korean forces rolled across the border at the 38th parallel on:**

- A June 25 1949.
- B July 1 1949.
- C July 1 1950.
- D June 25 1950.

b) **The United Nations sent in troops. When speaking of the UN troops:**

- A Fifty percent were American.
- B Sixty percent were American.
- C Forty percent were American.
- D Thirty percent were American.

c) **The other percentage of United Nation forces were made up of several other countries such as:**

- A Canada, Britain, Iraq and Japan.
- B Britain, Belgium, Colombia and South Africa.
- C France, Iran, the Netherlands and Thailand.
- D Ethiopia, Colombia, Canada and Saudi Arabia.

d) **The first battle fought by American troops was called:**

- A Task Force Smith.
- B Task Force Charles.
- C Task Force Korea.
- D Operation Task Force.

2. Number the battles in the order that they occurred.

- ____ Battle of Inchon.
- ____ Task force Smith.
- ____ Heartbreak Ridge.
- ____ Battle of Chosin Reservoir.



Map Exercise

Label the Map of Korea with the following:

- D.M.Z. - Demilitarized Zone
- Seoul
- Inchon
- Pusan - Battle of the Pusan Perimeter
- Pyongyang
- Chosin Reservoir
- Yellow Sea
- China Sea
- China
- Russia





Crossword Puzzle!

Across

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

Down

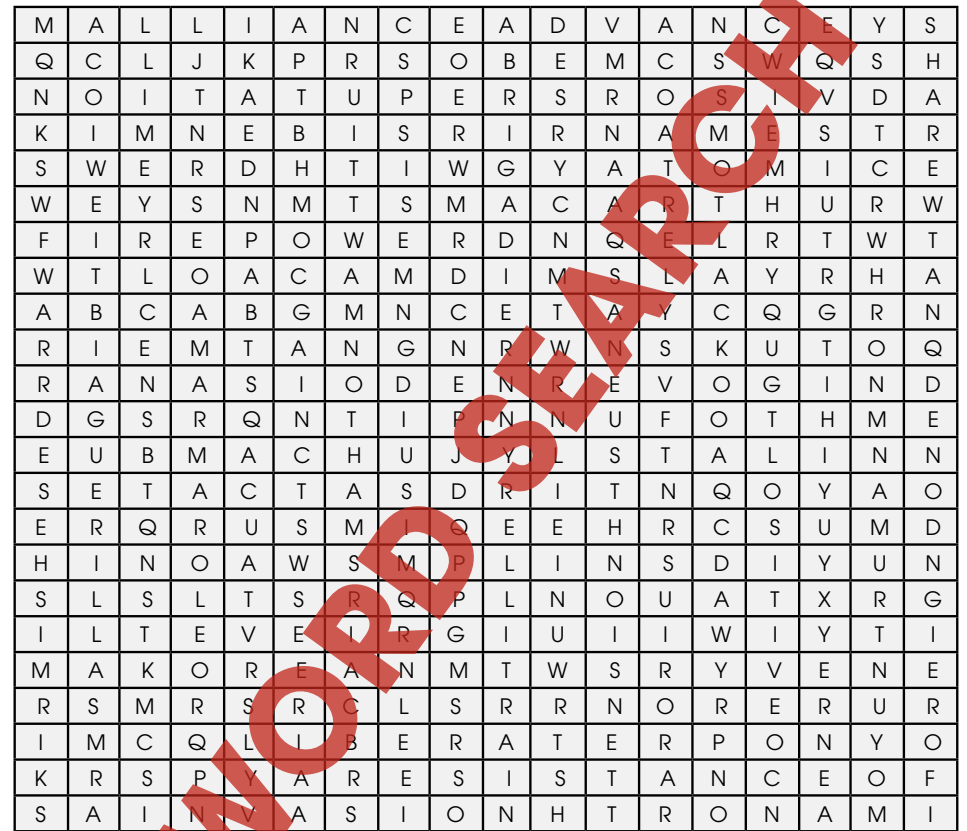
- the 38th parallel is this type of line
- Secretary General of the Soviet Union
- people who lost their homes due to the war
- Communist country that supplied arms to North Korea
- U.S. President at the start of the Korean War
- A piece of land nearly surrounded by water
- U.S. General - Commander of UN forces
- A type of Soviet propeller plane used by the North Korean Air Force
- 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 B

Circle the word **TRUE** if the statement is TRUE or Circle the word **FALSE** if it is FALSE.

- North Korea had a definite advantage over the South at the beginning of the war.
TRUE FALSE
- North Korea did not want to invade the South without having the approval and backing of the Soviet Union.
TRUE FALSE
- The Soviets refused to supply North Korea with tanks and heavy arms.
TRUE FALSE
- Syngman Rhee was the 33rd president of South Korea.
TRUE FALSE
- Rhee spent some time in prison for his political views.
TRUE FALSE
- President Truman relieved General Douglas MacArthur of his commands because he didn't agree with his views on the Korean War.
TRUE FALSE
- There were no United Nations military forces involved in the Korean War.
TRUE FALSE
- Task Force Smith was the first military engagement by American troops in the Korean War.
TRUE FALSE
- Immediately after the end of World War II the United States began a large military build-up.
TRUE FALSE
- Helicopters were first used in combat in the Korean War.
TRUE FALSE

SUBTOTAL: /10

The Korean War The Battlefield



Helicopter picking up wounded from battlefield

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After You Read 

Comprehension Quiz

Part A

- When did the Korean War start?
 - June 25, 1948
 - June 25, 1941
 - June 25, 1950
 - June 25, 1949
- North Korea is mostly made up of:
 - Mountains
 - Plains
 - Lowlands
 - None of the above
- DMZ stands for:
 - Decomposed Military Zone
 - Demilitarized Zone
 - Decommissioned Monetary Zone
 - None of the above
- The Han River flows through:
 - Nakdong
 - Pusan
 - Choisin
 - Seoul
- Who was the US President when the Korean War started?
 - Truman
 - Eisenhower
 - Stalin
 - George W. Bush
- Kim Il-sung was:
 - Leader of North Korea
 - Secretary General
 - A Captain in the Soviet Red Army
 - All of the above
- South Korean military and police forces executed people for being:
 - Democratic
 - Communist
 - Korean
 - American
- In the United States the Korean War is often referred to as:
 - A police action
 - The Korean Conflict
 - The Senseless War
 - a and b
- The Korean War Memorial in Washington, DC was dedicated by:
 - Clinton
 - Bush
 - Truman
 - Eisenhower
- How many United Nations countries were involved in the war?
 - 25
 - 24
 - 20
 - 22



SUBTOTAL: /10

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

