



THE KOREAN WAR



Things to Know

President Harry Truman - President of the U.S. from 1945-1953. President Truman authorized U.S. troops to fight North Korea during the Korean Conflict

General Douglas McArthur - First Commander of United Nations forces of South Korea

Limited War - War in which countries do not seek the total destruction of the enemy, limits its weapons and resources.

Stalemate a situation in which no action can be taken or progress made; deadlock

Map Questions Use the maps below to answer the following questions.

1. What serves as the dividing line between North Korea and South Korea?

2. What is the capital of North Korea?

3. What is the capital of South Korea?

4. What 2 countries border North Korea?

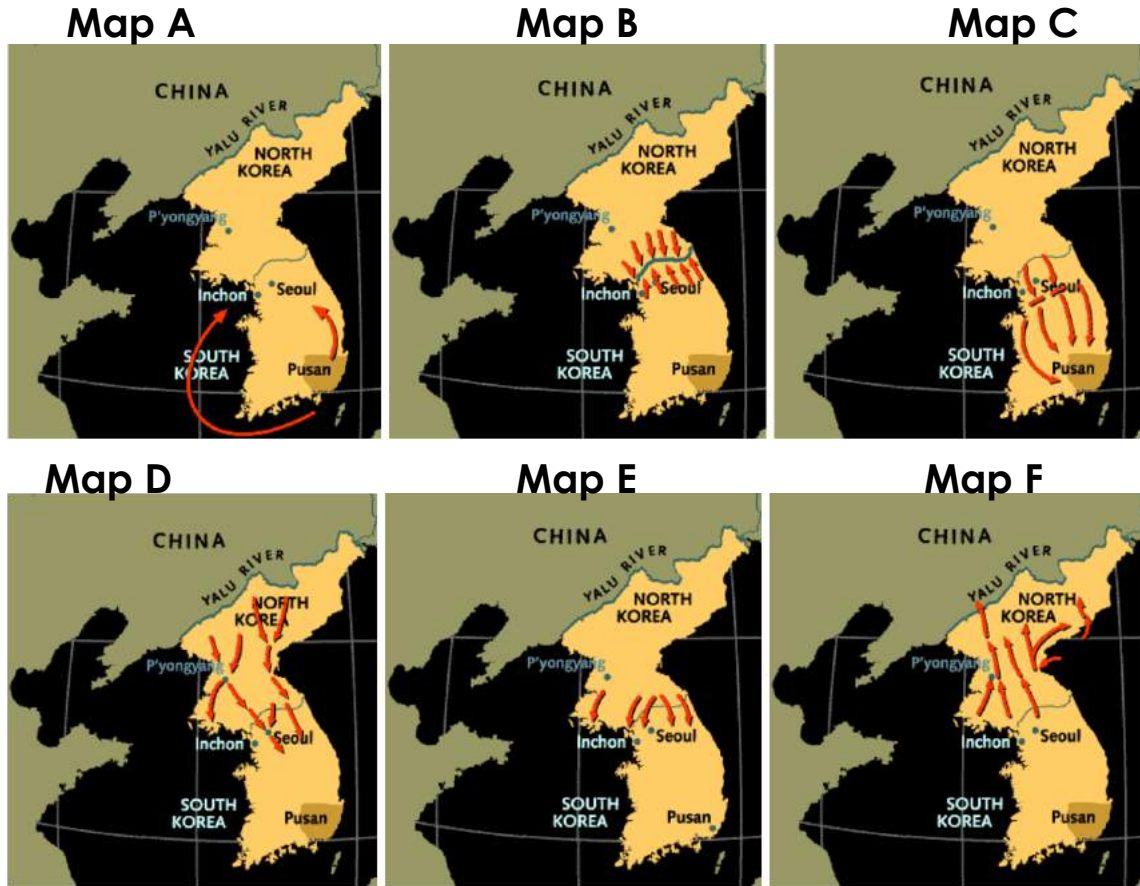
5. What bodies of water surround North and South Korea?



6. What type of landform is North and South Korea combined? _____

7. What natural features serves as the border between China and North Korea? _____

THE KOREAN WAR Map



Korean War Maps – Study maps A-F. Match the correct map to the appropriate stage of the Korean War.

- ___ 8. **Stage 1** - June 25, 1950; North Korea attacks the South and captures the capital of Seoul
- ___ 9. **Stage 2** - late July, 1950; North Korea pushes the United Nations forces to the southeast corner of the peninsula
- ___ 10. **Stage 3** - September 1951; United Nations forces stage an amphibious invasion near Seoul, recapture Seoul, and cut the North Korean supply lines
- ___ 11. **Stage 4** - October 1951; United Nations forces push the North Koreans across the 38th parallel and further north (China feels threatened by the massive invasion of North Korea)
- ___ 12. **Stage 5** - November 1951; China enters the war, which creates "an entirely new war," and the capital of Seoul is retaken by the North Koreans
- ___ 13. **Stage 6** - January 1952; United Nations forces recapture Seoul and a stalemate commences
14. How close did the North Koreans come to completely overrunning South Korea in 1950? _____
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15. When China entered the war (Stage 5) General MacArthur told the Joint Chiefs, "We face an entirely new war." What could the United Nation forces have done differently to avoid China entering the war?
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