American and North Korean Relations: A Brief History

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Use each hyperlink to answer the questions below it.

THE KOREAN WAR

<http://www.pbs.org/newshour/indepth_coverage/asia/northkorea/relations.html>

1. Who split up Korea (AND WHERE) after WWII?
2. What happened on June 25, 1950 and why?
3. Who led the American forces at Inchon and throughout the war?
4. Describe the disagreement between President Truman and MacArthur, and what happened to Mac.
5. What happened on December 6, 1950?
6. What happened in July of 1953 after 2 ½ years of fighting?
7. The casualties. Give the numbers:

North Korean soldiers \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

South Korean soldiers \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Chinese \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Cilvilians \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Americans \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Did Korea unify or remain divided?
2. What is the war nicknamed?

MODERN EVENTS

1. Google it: What is the official name of North Korea? (What does DPRK stand for)
2. Google it: What is the capital city of NK?

<http://www.npr.org/2013/04/06/176446677/the-extraordinary-lives-of-ordinary-north-koreans>

1. Who is the current leader of NK?
2. How old is he?
3. How many people live in NK?
4. Describe some daily conditions for the average North Korean.
5. Why is it hard for NK to build up her army?

<http://www.foxnews.com/world/2013/02/28/real-time-tweets-give-peek-into-life-in-north-korea/>

1. What is the DMZ?
2. Describe conditions/regulations in it.
3. What are the policies on the world wide web and email?
4. How much does a phone call to the US from NK cost?

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/business-21424127>

1. What is the average per capita income per year in NK?
2. How much is it in South Korea?
3. Describe the flow of goods between NK and China.
4. What was the most effective US sanction on NK?
5. Google “brinkmanship” and define. How does it relate to current tensions with NK and the US?

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/n-korea-says-it-has-scrapped-armistice-that-ended-korean-war/2013/03/11/47762d7a-8a2c-11e2-98d9-3012c1cd8d1e_story.html>

1. What has America tried to do in the past about NK’s nuclear program?
2. What did NK announce about the 1953 armistice that ended the war?
3. Describe the Obama Administration’s most recent sanctions.

<http://blogs.wsj.com/korearealtime/2013/04/05/musudan-north-koreas-latest-missile-threat/>

1. Are NK missiles capable of reaching Hawaii? Guam?
2. If you were in charge, what would you do about the current situation? How dangerous do you feel it is? How seriously should NK be taken? Write a well-developed paragraph with your interpretation.